

## About Us

ASEA helps families find hope and inspires them to create full and rich lives for their family members with autism spectrum disorders.

## ASEA offers

- Individual and Family Support
- Programs for Children, Teens and Adults
- Summer Respite Programs for Children and Teens
- Parent Information and Discussion Groups
- Teacher Information Series
- Public Education, Awareness, and Advocacy
- Quarterly Magazine, Autism Now
- Autism Research



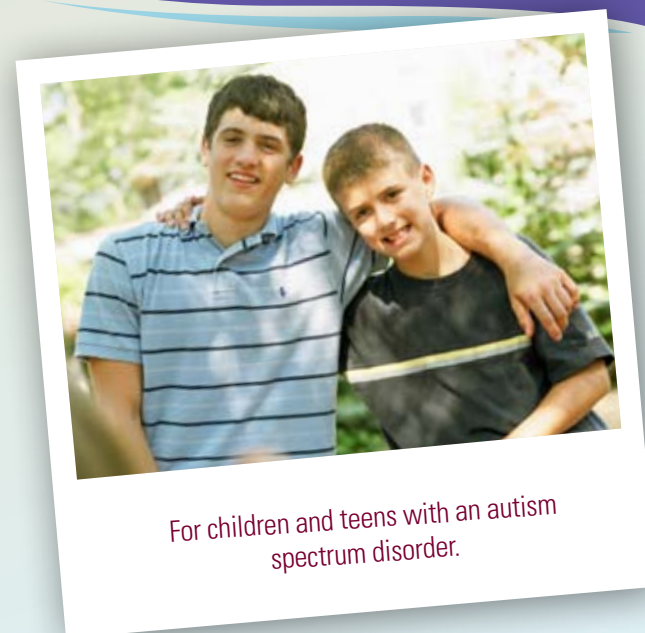
*Find Hope*

## How do I register my child or teen for the Summer Respite Care Program?

- Contact ASEA and make an appointment for an interview.
- During the interview, we will talk about the summer program and your child's needs and interests.
- We will discuss time, location and cost of the summer program.
- If you decide the summer program is right for your child, you can arrange to pay applicable fees.
- If you are not already a member of ASEA, you will be asked to complete and submit a membership form.
- Once your application and membership forms have been submitted and registration fees paid, a start date will be discussed with you.
- If money is a problem, subsidies are available. Please ask for a subsidy application.

**For more information,  
or to make an appointment contact us at:**

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For children and teens with an autism spectrum disorder.

*The Autism Society of Edmonton Area helps families and communities embrace and support people on the autism spectrum.*

Summertime is often difficult for families of school age children with autism spectrum disorders. Everyone wants a holiday and needs a break, but few programs are suitable for kids and teens with autism spectrum disorders. The Autism Society of Edmonton Area addresses this challenge by providing an opportunity for children and teens to have fun and participate in a community-based recreational program while their families get some much-needed respite.

## What is this group about?

The summer program provides opportunities for kids to meet other kids, to have a good time and to make friends. A team of supervisors supports the kids, helping them to participate in activities and engage each other in positive ways. This program is not designed to be therapeutic. Participants will be supported to be safe and develop some relationships with their peers. Meanwhile, parents and families can have some time to themselves, free from the responsibility of their child who has an autism spectrum disorder.

A team of supervisors provides support and intervention to the children and teens, and ensures their safety. The supervisors travel to and from the activities with the children and participate in the activities.

## Who can attend?

- Children and teens who have been diagnosed with an autism spectrum disorder.
- Children teens from 6 to 17 years of age.
- Children and teens who are interested in participating in a summer program with other children their age.
- Children and teens who are able to use recreational facilities in the community.
- Children and teens who are able to attend regularly.

## When is the summer program?

- The Summer Respite Care Program runs for 8 weeks during July and August. Dates vary from year to year.
- Registration opens in May and closes in early June.
- The program runs Monday to Friday from 9 am to 4 pm.

## What does the Summer Respite Care Program cost?

- Group participants are asked to become members of the Autism Society of Edmonton Area (\$40.00 for individual or family membership.)
- There is an annual registration fee of \$85.00.
- An hourly fee is also payable for each hour the child attends.
- Some families access respite care or community aide funding through FSCD. Other families pay the fee directly.
- If money is a problem, please let us know. We do not want anyone to miss out on this opportunity. Subsidies are available for those who qualify.



*Meet Other Kids*



*Summer Fun*