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## Melwood's Camp Accomplish

An inclusive summer camp for kids with and without disabilities in Southern Maryland.

### ABOUT CAMP ACCOMPLISH

Founded in 1998 as an expansion of Melwood's mission to empower people with disabilities of all ages to live, work and thrive in their communities, Melwood's Camp Accomplish is an inclusive summer camp for children with and without disabilities, ages 5-18. With day camp, transitional youth and overnight options, Melwood's Camp Accomplish has something for everyone. Activities include swimming, sports, crafts, performing arts, canoeing, paddle boating and ropes courses. Counselors are trained in facilitating safe, engaging environments and Melwood's approach teaches children from a young age that everyone belongs.

### SUPPORTING FAMILIES THROUGH CAMP ACCOMPLISH

Melwood ensures that all children are afforded the same experience and pay the same rate, regardless of the significance of their disability. More than 20% of campers require a staffing support ratio of 1:1 or 1:2, as compared to the standard counselor to camper ratio of 1:8. This can cost up to an additional \$2,565 per week per camper – a cost that Melwood covers to ensure equitable access and a truly inclusive environment. The creation of a camp scholarship fund will ensure that individualized support does not come at a higher cost to families, as well as support an additional 20 campers each week, increasing access to affordable recreation care in Charles County.

### GROWING CAMP ACCOMPLISH

To celebrate the 25th Anniversary of Camp Accomplish in 2023, Melwood is planning to add two new amenities – a sprayground and expanded playground to the Melwood Recreation Center, with an emphasis on sensory elements that are especially beneficial to children on the autism spectrum.

Melwood is a leading employer, advocate, and preferred provider for people with disabilities. Devoted to creating a world in which people with disabilities are fully included since 1963, Melwood's innovative strategies and programs empower people with disabilities to live, work and thrive in the community.



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