

American Camp Association: Camp Research Forum Sponsorship



Help Support the American Camp Association's Camp Research Forum — A space that connects and builds the current and future generation of camp researchers!

For the past two decades, the American Camp Association's [Camp Research Forum](#) has brought together faculty, students, researchers, and camp professionals to share and discuss new research related to campers, camp staff, camp programs, and a wide variety of other camp-related topics. Currently, the camp research forum consists of a:

- A pre-conference workshop
- Four presentation sessions
- A poster session
- An evening social

Every year the Camp Research Forum has grown in size, quality, and scope. Previous research presented at the forum has been published in academic journal articles, shared in reports, and translated into tools and resources for camp professionals.

Why Your Support Matters

For the past two decades, The Camp Research Forum has been a space to faculty, students, researchers, and camp professionals share research findings, build community, and generate new ideas for exploration. Embedded within the American Camp Association's, National Conference, the Camp Research Forum offers a unique space that bridges the gap between research and practice. The Camp Research Forum does this through engaging research presentations, research posters, round tables, and more!

Previous Camp Research Forum sessions have focused on:

- Building Strong Staff & Leadership
- Camper Development & Experiences
- Camp Quality, Setting, and Climate
- Issues in Camp Administration
- Outcomes of Camp for Campers
- Out -of-the-Box Camp Data Collection
- Strengthening Camp Operations
- Supporting Youth with Medical Conditions

Your support will help to ensure that that camp programming and operations, staff training and practices, and camper experiences are research-informed and driven. Learn more about previous research presented at the Camp Research Forum [here](#), and read abstracts from the 2025 Camp Research Forum [here](#).

How You Can Support The Camp Research Forum!

We invite you to join us in supporting the camp research community by partnering with [ACA's Camp Research Forum](#). Your support helps us share the evidence of the positive impact of camp. Below, you will find the various sponsorship opportunities for ACA's National Conference event.

ACA 2026 National Conference Sponsorship Opportunities

February 17–20, 2026 | San Diego, CA. | Expected National Conference Attendees: 1,700

| Support Area | | Description | Estimated Investment |
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| Camp Research Forum: Bundle | | Fund the Camp Research Forum research evening social, poster session, and forum sessions. | \$15,000 |
| | Research Evening Social | Fund the Camp Research Forum social event that fosters community and connection amongst researchers and practitioners | \$5,000 |
| | Research Poster Session | Provide snacks for the Camp Research Forum poster that fosters community and connection amongst researchers and practitioners | \$3,000 |
| | Research Forums Sessions (4) | Provide snacks for the Camp Research Forum poster that fosters community and connection amongst researchers and practitioners | \$10,000 all four sessions - \$3,000 for each individual session sponsorship |
| Camp Research Forum Pre-Conference Student Scholarships | | Provide camp research forum pre-conference registration stipends for students | \$50 per scholarship |
| Student Travel Award | | Provide registration and travel stipends for camp professionals | \$2,000 per scholarship |
| Branded Swag* | | Co-create merchandise with ACA Camp Research Forum and your company branding | Custom pricing |

**Sponsorship costs may vary, especially for the ACA National Conference. Contact us to learn more!*

Alignment with ACA's Mission and Values

Mission: Empowering camps to create quality experiences.

Vision: Building a world of belonging and growth.

Values:

- We nurture community
- We empower
- We are inclusive
- We foster well-being
- We continuously improve

Join Us

By partnering with ACA Camp Research Forum, your organization becomes part of a movement to expand the value and visibility of the camp experience through conducting research and evaluation — for staff, for youth, and for the future of our field.

To sponsor or learn more, contact:

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Let's share the impact of camp — together!