ACA 2022 National Conference February 8-11, 2022 • Oregon Convention Center

2022 Regular educational breakout schedule (75-minute sessions)

Tuesday, February 8	
4:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.	Educational Breakout Sessions, Group 1

Wednesday, February 9

8:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.	Educational Breakout Sessions, Group 2
1:15 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	Educational Breakout Sessions, Group 3
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Thursday, February 10

8:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.	Educational Breakout Sessions, Group 6
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Friday, February 11

8:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.	Educational Breakout Sessions, Group 9
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2022 ACA NC Program Schedule Grid

Current as of 2/6/22

ACA reserves the right to make any and all changes to the program.

Meeting Room Name	Session Title	Speaker Name(s)
Tuesday, February 8,		
4:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.		
Group 1		
	Alumni Development for Your Camp: A	Margaret Braun, WeHaKee Camp for Girls; Megan
	Multigenerational Approach	Owens, Western Illinois University
	Camp Includes Me Kickoff!	Makela Elvy, S'more Melanin; Briana Mitchell, S'more Melanin
	University Collaborations, Who Knew?	LeeKeshia Williams, The University of Texas at Austin; Robert Valdez, The University of Texas at Austin
	Grow More Leaders	Roz and Jed Buck, Roz and Jed Training & Consulting
	Five Ways to Wreck Empathy: Why Most Attempts at Active Listening Fail Miserably	Chris Thurber, Prep4Camp & Belknap
	The Mental Work of Camp	Tracey Gaslin, Association of Camp Nursing
	Support Versus Coddling: When to Push and When to Pull Back When Trying to Grow Our Staff	Anne Izard, Green River Preserve; Jalisa Danhof, Camp Newaygo; Amber Grundy, Tannadoonah
	Lessons Learned from Operating a Medical/Disability Camp In-Person in 2021	Brandon Briery, Laura Nickel, Alex Grimm, Camp CAMP (Children's Assoc for Maximum Potential)
	A Brave New Wilderness: Understanding this Pivotal Moment in Outdoor Recreation	Tom Holland, Wilderness Adventure

	Crisis — It Really Can Happen to You	ACA Hotline Team Members, American Camp Association, Inc.
	Board Games	Ann Sheets, Camp Fire First Texas
	Evidence Based Evaluation: Telling the Story of Your Camp	Ryan Gagnon, Clemson University; Barry Garst, Clemson University
	Team Building from the Toy Aisle	Michelle Cummings, Training Wheels; Trevor Dunlap, Nuhop; Matthew Broda, College of Wooster
	Supervision – a Professional Imperative?	David Phillips, Immersive1st
	How We Saved Camp Soles!	A Facilitated Panel Discussion: Gretl Dupre' Galgon, "Angel Investor"; Sue Fletcher, Tibor Nagy, Tack Hammer, Camp Soles; Facilitated by Michele Goodrich, DBD Group
Wednesday, February 9, 7:00 a.m. – 8:15 a.m. Informal Discussion Cafés		
	Camps on Campus Café	
	Day Camp Café	
	Not-for-Profit Council Breakfast (NFP) — <i>Ticket</i> <i>Required</i>	
	Spanish Speaking Camp Professionals Café	
Wednesday, February 9, 8:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. Group 2		
	Engaging Youth in Supportive Struggle	Brodrick Clarke, National Summer Learning Association
	Racial Microaggression at Camp: How Unintentional Racism Hurts Cross-Race Relationships	Robin Parker, Beyond Diversity Resource Center; J.R. Reynolds, Beyond Diversity Resource Center
	From Harmful Pressure to Healthy Pressure in 1 Hour	Chris Thurber, Prep4Camp & Belknap
	Helping Emerging Leaders Take More Worthwhile Risks in An Evolving Workplace	Candace Doby, Candace Doby LLC
	What Would You Do? Case Studies Highlight Supervision and Risk Reduction for Waterfront and Aquatics Programs	Cathy Scheder, Second Nature Partners, LLC; Diane Tyrrell, Frog Pond Consulting, LLC
	Camps on Campus: Converging Policy and Practice	Tina Carter, VCU Mary and Frances Youth Center; Rachel Rhoney, VCU Mary and Frances Youth Center
	Health Hoops and Hot Topics	Tracey Gaslin, Association of Camp Nursing; Mary Marugg, Sonlight Christian Camp
	Hugs, Appropriate Touch & Red Flag Behavior: Getting the Message to Front-Line Staff	Katie Johnson, The Redwoods Group

	Fundraising Fevera Moment in Time!	David Phillips, Immersive1st
	Research Forum #1: Managing Camps for Diversity,	2022 Research Forum Schedule
	Equity, Inclusion, and Justice: Panel Session	
	Interactive Staff Training Activities	Michelle Cummings, Training Wheels
	Building Closer Partnerships Between Camps, Schools, and the Out of School Time Field	Aaron Dworkin, National Summer Learning Association; Carlos Santini, Mizzen by Mott, Mott Foundation; Beth Unverzagt, OregonASK; Brodrick Clarke, National Summer Learning Association
	Take Back Control from Armed Intruders: Empowering Everyone Through ALICE	Amanda Wahle, University of Maryland Extension, 4-H; John-Michael Wahle, University of Maryland- 4-H; Chris Rein, University of Maryland Extension
Wednesday, February 9, 1:15 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Group 3		
Outside – Meet Speaker at Hospitality Desk	Urban Naturalist Walk	Becky Gilles, Mass Audubon
	Property Management, Weather, and Rising Insurance Costs	Katie Johnson, The Redwoods Group; Queron Smith, The Redwoods Group
	Introduction to Gender Inclusive Housing	Chris Rehs-Dupin, Transplaining
	Best Lessons Learned from a Mastermind Group	Jalisa Danhof, Camp Newaygo; Anne Izard, Green River Preserve; Amber Grundy, Tannadoonah
	Don't Care to I'm There: Empower Staff to Flip the Switch	Kim Aycock, Kimspiration, LLC; Deb Jordan, East Carolina University
	How to Talk to Post-Pandemic Parents	Denise Pope, Stanford University Graduate School of Education
	Are We Looking at this Backwards? Screening Kids and Staff for Mental Health Strengths	Deborah Gilboa, MD
	A Formula for Family Camp: Meeting the Needs of Diverse Families	Margaret Braun, WeHaKee Camp for Girls; Margaret Roesler, WeHaKee Camp for Girls
	MEN into MENtors: A Discussion on Recruitment & Retention	Jamal Stroud, Alliance for HOPE International
	Immunization Requirements, Policies & Practices at Camp	Michael Ambrose, M.D., CampDoc
	What's Happening in DC	Sharon Kosch, ACA National Government Affairs Committee - facilitator; Jane Sanborn, ACA National Government Affairs Committee Committee
	Research Forum #2: Camp Administration and Staffing Topics: <i>Ignite Session</i>	2022 Research Forum Schedule
	Simon Says Reinvented	Michelle Cummings, Training Wheels
	Family Business Transition – Has COVID and the Pandemic Changed Your Transition Plans?	Jeff Cheley, Cheley Camps; Gabe Chernov, Camp Birch Trail; Andy Lilienthal, Camp Winnebago
	Navigating K-12 School District Partnerships for Improved University Camp Programs	Emily Wahlquist, UW-Stevens Point School of Education; Chelsea Dresen, UW-Stevens Point

		School of Education
Wednesday,		
February 9, 2:45		
p.m. – 4:00 p.m.		
Group 4		
	The Unbreakable Link Between Camp Culture and Risk Management	Katie Johnson, The Redwoods Group
	Camp Program Quality Initiative—Elevating Equity	Victor Rivera, YMCA of the USA; Jessie Dickerson,
	in Camp	American Camp Association, Inc.
	Trending Now: Report-out from the Insurance Committee	Tony Oyenarte
	Talking About Collective Racial Trauma With Camp Staff	Robin Parker, Beyond Diversity Resource Center; J.R. Reynolds, Beyond Diversity Resource Center
	It's Michael's 40th ACA National Anniversary Party!—The Best & Newest of Brandwein Training & Leadership Techniques & Activities	Michael Brandwein, Educator/Author/Staff Traine
	COVID-19 Vaccines: Vaccine Hesitancy and Myths, and How to Talk to Parents About COVID Vaccines	Laura Blaisdell, Camp Winnebago
	Best Practices for the Horse Program at Your Camp	Sherilyn Sander, Certified Horsemanship Association
	Bringing the Science of Learning and Development to Camp: Principles to Help Youth Thrive	Mary Arnold, Oregon State University
	LIFE and AUTISM: How Camps Can Support Campers and Staff on the Autism Spectrum	Kathleen Mo Taylor, Theraplay LLC; Alec Villarreal Andy Personious
	Research Forum #3: Campers' Experiences in the Camp Setting: <i>Ignite Session</i>	2022 Research Forum Schedule
	Games and Activities That Strengthen Positive Mental Health	Jim Cain, Teamwork & Teamplay
	Day Camp Lessons Learned and Silver Linings for 2020-2021	Sandra Thompson, Crystal Lake Park District
	Protect Your Camp from Toxic Staff	Roz and Jed Buck, Roz and Jed Training & Consulting
Wednesday, February 9, 4:15 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Group 5		
i	Where does the Soup Go? Lessons Learned from an Anxious Kid	Amanda Wahle, University of Maryland Extension, 4-H; John-Michael Wahle, University of Maryland- 4-H
	Abolition & Transformative Justice through Camp	Cole Perry
	DATA. Utilizing It to Improve Programs, Drive Impact, and Increase Donations!	Michelle Bevan, Camp Twin Lakes
	Ben Appelbaum Medical Issues Forum XIX	Chris Thurber, Prep4Camp & Belknap; Tracey Gaslin, Association of Camp Nursing; Edward (Skip Walton, MD
	It's Time to Include the Parents: Dr. G's Argument for INVOLVING Staff Families in Order to Improve Staff Growth and Resilience	Deborah Gilboa, MD

	Trending Issues in State and Regional Government Affairs	Members of ACA National Government Affairs Committee
	Camp Online and Camp in a Box: New Ways to Connect with Campers Year-Round	Kendra Perkins, Roundup River Ranch
	More than Just a Taller Box to Stand On – What the Science says about Youth Capacity to Thrive	Mary Arnold, Oregon State University
	Strong Board, Weak Board	David Phillips, Immersive1st
	Advancing Equity in Overnight Camp Settings through Youth Focus Groups	Ben Matthews, Camp Fire National Headquarters; Hannah Patterson, Camp Fire National Headquarters
	Research Forum #4: Medical Specialty Camps: Ignite Session	2022 Research Forum Schedule
	International Songs and Games	Cheryl Gans, International Camping Fellowship; Rafael Cachicamo, International Camping Fellowship; Fahrettin Gozet, International Camping Fellowship
	A Hope-Centered Lens for the Journey Ahead	John Hamilton, Alliance for HOPE International; Jamal Stroud, Alliance for HOPE International
	Rebuilding Retreats Back Better: Marketing Strategies Powering Many Camps' Highest Margin Business	Eric Stein, Eswebmarketing
Thursday, February 10, 7:00 a.m. – 8:15 a.m. Informal Discussion Cafés		
	Medical & Disability Camps Café	
	Faith-Based Camps Café	
	Pathways Project Meetup – by Invitation	
	Camp Includes Me Café – Sponsored by Ten for Two Camp Consulting	
Thursday, February 10, 8:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. Group 6		
	Mentorship for Bridging Divides	Marcia Kimler
	Creating Welcoming and Affirming Spaces for LGBTQ+ People at Camp	Ben Matthews, Camp Fire National Headquarters
	Diabetes Day Camp: Success During COVID	Eddie Hill, Bethany Arrington, Taylor Harvey, Karrie Hobbs, Old Dominion University
	The Complexity of Communicable Disease	Tracey Gaslin, Association of Camp Nursing; Barry Garst; Clemson University
	From First Contact to End of Contract	Deb Jordan, East Carolina University; Kim Aycock, Kimspiration, LLC
	Is Your Camp JEDI Ready? Creating a Just, Equitable, Diverse, and Inclusive Camp Culture	Christina Gray, National Conference of Community & Justice

	Ask the Experts - A Panel Discussion	Tony Oyenarte
	Revenue in the "OFF" Season: What I learned.	Kevin Pettigrew, J.M Feltner 4-H Camp/Kentucky 4- H Camping
	The Lasting Impacts of Camp: Updates from Year 4 of ACA's Impact Study	Laurie Browne, American Camp Association, Inc.; Rob Warner, University of Utah; Bryn Spielvogel, University of Utah
	Mistake-Making & Movement Forward - Responsible, Authentic & Vulnerable Leadership	Kyrah Altman, Let's Empower, Advocate, and Do, Inc.
	With a Little Help From Your Friends	Michele Goodrich, DBD Group; Anne Derber, DBD Group
	Your Mind and You: Navigating Neurological Stress Responses	John Hamilton, Alliance for HOPE International; Erica Yamaguchi, Alliance for HOPE International
	Stop Worrying About Staff Retention and Start Focusing on Staff RESENTMENT	Liz Kimmelman, Tumbleweed Day Camp; Andy Kimmelman, Tumbleweed Day Camp
	If Only I'd Known Staff Training and Beyond: When 95% of the Staff is NEW!	Rhonda Mickelson, Cheley Colorado Camp
Thursday, February 10, 10:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. Group 7		
	Introverts Are Campers Too — What Does This Mean for You?	Marcia Ellett, American Camp Association, Inc.
	D.E.I.A Strategies to Increase Staff Recruitment and Retention Best Practices	Tekemia Dorsey, DTD's Urban Multisport Consulting Firm
	Let's Make the Research Un-Boring: A Tour Of Evidence-Based Outcomes in Medical Specialty Camps	Andrew Leonard, Camp Banting
	Financial Management from A to Z	Ann Sheets, Camp Fire First Texas; David Thoensen, Tamarak Day Camp; Margaret Braun, WeHaKee Camp for Girls
	Choose Wisely and Treat Well(ness) – Create a Staff Recruitment and Retention Strategic Plan for Summer 2022	Deborah Gilboa, MD
	How to Attract & Enroll First-Generation Camp Families: The Key Demographic of the Decade	Max Claman
	Creating a Culture of Feedback - A New Model for You and Your Team	Jacqueline Longo, SeriousFun Children's Network
	Here We Go Again with COVID: What's the Same & What's Different	Laura Blaisdell, Camp Winnebago
	Ask the Experts about J1 Programs	Sharon Kosch, ACA National Government Affairs Committee - facilitator; Staff from U.S. Department of State
	The Global Indigenous Youth Summit: Creating and Sustaining Community	Ryan Gagnon, Clemson University; Andrew Corley, Sioux YMCA; Katie Thurson, Clemson University
	Just Because You're Given a Cactus, Doesn't Mean You Have To Sit On It	Jalisa Danhof, Camp Newaygo; Scott Lakin, Camp Newaygo; Caitlin Voyt, Camp Newaygo
	Nature to Your Doorstep: NASA GLOBE Programming Designed with You in Mind	Tina Harte, NASA Langley; Amy Ellisor, Camp Discovery; Krista White, Camp Granite Lake

	Large Group Fun – Camp-Wide Activities for Hundreds!	Joey Barnard, Kentucky 4-H Camping; Kevin Pettigrew, Kentucky 4-H Camping; Jake Farmer, Kentucky 4-H Camping
Thursday, February 10, 1:00 p.m. – 1:45 p.m. Commerce Sessions		
	EPIC Café	
	Supply Chain Update	Facilitated Panel Discussion: Rich Lowry, Trinity/HPSI; Toby Hancock, StickersandMore.com; Mark Tabor, Ship Camps
	How to get your Book Published	Jim Peterson, Ph.D., FACSM, ACA/Healthy Learning Bookstore
	Prescribing Success: Electronic Medication Management	Michael Ambrose, M.D., CampDoc
	Cracker Barrel: Need Staff? Together We Can Tackle Today's Staffing Challenges	Facilitated by Deb Jordan, East Carolina University; Kim Aycock, Kimspiration, LLC
	Do You Really Know Camp Insurance? These Claims Really Happened? Why Are Certificates So Critical?	Michael Labadorf, Brown & Brown of Garden City
	Designing for Radical Inclusion and Compliant Accessibility at Camp	Michelle Mathis, Learning Landscapes Design
	How an Economic Impact Study Demonstrated \$717 Million in Impact in the State of Wisconsin	Cathy Scheder, Second Nature Partners, LLC; Sarah Resch, Camp Whitcomb/Mason
	How Risky is Your Camp? Learn to Evaluate Risk Like a Pro.	Brandie Le Clair, Church Mutual Insurance, S.I.; Tracy Schmeltzer, Church Mutual Insurance, S.I.
	Happy Staff, Happy Campers	Jacqueline Kaminsky, Domokur Architects; Michael Johnston, Domokur Architects
	Using Modified & Variable Activities to increase Engagement in Large Groups	Stephen Witt, AKE Games, Inc.
	It's Not JUST Rocket Science	Nicole Bayeur, Estes Industries
Thursday, February 10, 2:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. Group 8		
	Culture Change is (Not) Easy	Andy Kimmelman, Tumbleweed Day Camp
	Equity: The Glue to Staff Training	Daniel Morais, Equity in Camp Initiative; Leslie Keller, Equity in Camp Initiative
	Independent School Camps – Not Just a Side Business!	lan Moorhouse, Dexter Southfield Summer Camps
	Creative Ways to Improve Your Staffing Process	Max Claman
	The New Intentional Camp: The Fastest, Most Practical Ways to Make Mission Matter More & Produce Real Youth Development	Michael Brandwein, Educator/Author/Staff Trainer
	Practicing Change-Management, Adaptability, & Self-Compassion Amidst Uncertainty	Kyrah Altman, Let's Empower, Advocate, and Do, Inc.

	Supporting Trans* Teens in Leadership Programs	Chris Rehs-Dupin, Transplaining
	The Barriers and Motivators to Camp Sustainability	Danny Sudman, Green Camps Initiative
	2022 Marketing Trends Camps Can't Ignore	Cheryl Goldstein, Campfire Creative Marketing
	Innovative Activities Designed to Promote Sustainable Continuous Quality Improvement Camp Practices	Allison Dymnicki, American Institutes for Research Lacey Malinger, Tim Hortons Foundation Camps; Michelle Bevin, Camp Twin Lakes
	Boundaries as Abuse Prevention: Risk Mitigation or Leadership Development?	Rahel Bayar, The Bayar Group, LLC
	The Best of Both Worlds – Activities That Work in the Real World, the Virtual World and Both Worlds Combined	Jim Cain, Teamwork & Teamplay
	Thriving at Camp with Food Allergies	Louise Tippens, Camp Blue Spruce; Chelsea Hendrikx, Camp Blue Spruce; Joel and Mary Schaefer, Your Allergy Chefs; Brook Ahnemann, Camp Blue Spruce
Friday, February 11, 8:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m. Group 9		
	Making Connections to Place Through Design	Paul Anderson, Alliiance; Amber Sausen, Alliiance
	Financial Aid & DEI goals: You Can't Have One Without the Other	Leilani Nussman, The Northwest School
	Balancing Risk & Reality: Camps on Campus and Other Non-Traditional Spaces	Katie Thurson, Clemson University; Greg Linke, Clemson University; Ryan Gagnon, Clemson University
	Superstar Supervisors: Upgrade Your Camp's Supervisor Training	Carrie Lawson, Camp Sealth/Camp Fire Central Puget Sound
	Uncomfortable vs Unsafe or What Campers, Families and Staff can Learn from Simone Biles	Deborah Gilboa, MD
	According to Betty Crocker: Staff Training from Scratch	Kim Aycock, Kimspiration, LLC
	Writing Tips for Camps	Marcia Ellett, American Camp Association, Inc.
	Camper on Camper Abuse – A Best Practices Roadmap	Rahel Bayar, The Bayar Group, LLC
	Making an Impact in Your State	Hasim Dawkins, American Camp Association, Inc.
	A More Inclusive Leave No Trace	Andrew Leary, The Leave No Trace Center for Outdoor Ethics
	The Ropes of Ecology	Shawn Moriarty, Mass Audubon
Friday, February 11, 9:30 a.m. – 10:45		
a.m. Group 10	The Weight of it All: Healing from (Vicarious) Trauma	John Hamilton, Alliance for HOPE International

Sticking Together: A Panel on Supporting Culturally	A Facilitated Panel Discussion, Facilitators: Makela
Diverse Staff at Camp	Elvy & Briana Mitchell, S'more Melanin
NASA Exploration for Camps	Christine Shupla, Lunar and Planetary Institute;
	Joëlle Clark, Northern Arizona University; Yasenia
	Pérez, Space Telescope Science Institute
Cabin Campers: Super Glue or Crazy String?	Deb Jordan, East Carolina University
The New 2022 Quick Coaching Course for the Camp Leadership Team: How to Practice & Develop	Michael Brandwein, Educator/Author/Staff Trainer
Supervision Skills that Bring Out the Best in Staff Are You Ready for a Capital Campaign?	Jason Fry, DBD Group; Lora Dow, DBD Group
 How School-Year Programming Can Save Your	Katie Miesle, Outstanding Team, LLC; Bill
Camp	Beaumont, Chief Seattle Council, BSA
Personal Finance for Camp Directors: Free Housing is a Double-Edged Sword	Paul Sheridan, Four Winds * Westward Ho
Be the Disruptor You Worry About	Marcia Kimler, Energizing Leaders
They Return For the Relationship: Building	Kelly Schuna, Hidden Pines Ranch
Relationship In a Day Camp Culture to Foster Retention	
Recovery & Reconnection - Building Community Again After a Global Pandemic	Jim Cain, Teamwork & Teamplay