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# A Special Place of Belonging



**For over 70 years, Camp Easter Seal has proudly served the community as Saskatchewan's only barrier-free camp of its kind. More than just a summer retreat, Camp is an inclusive sanctuary that celebrates differences and fosters a sense of belonging for all. Your donations ensure the legacy of Camp continues, providing parents and caregivers with a trusted place their loved ones can stay for a week of fun and adventure!**

Dear \_\_\_\_\_

Every summer, the shores of Little Manitou Lake come to life as hundreds of children, youth, and adults experiencing disability flock to Camp Easter Seal. Campers travel from every corner of Saskatchewan for an exhilarating week filled with opportunities for adventure, friendship, and independence. Camp is a special place where barriers fade, differences are embraced, and everyone feels a sense of belonging. This was the experience of a new youth camper, Dannalee McCallum.




Making the journey from Pasqua First Nation to Camp Easter Seal for the first time last summer, Dannalee was accompanied by an attendant and her mom, Danna. Like many parents, Danna felt a flood of mixed emotions dropping her daughter off at Camp for the first time. "I'll be honest, I was excited for Dannalee but also nervous. It was probably easier for me knowing that she was going with someone she knew and was comfortable with and who would be there for support if she needed it. I had the unique opportunity to come midweek and stay with Dannalee when her attendant had to leave. Had I not had the chance to come, I would have been a lot more apprehensive throughout the week," admits Dannalee's mom of her initial jitters before spending time with her daughter at Camp.

With limited programs and services available for youth like Dannalee in and around Pasqua First Nation, Danna was thrilled her daughter could interact with other youth with similar experiences and mobility. "This was Dannalee's first time seeing other people her age in wheelchairs from all different backgrounds. As her mom, it was amazing to witness that. I've never seen a place more accessible; I was shocked," shares Danna. "Staff did a really great job of making all the activities inclusive and making Dannalee feel like she truly belonged."

Accompanied by her mom for the final days of camp, Dannalee didn't let anything slow her down or distract her. From Danceland to dunk tanks and everything in between, the energetic and outgoing 13-year-old fully embraced her first week at Camp. "I love Camp!" Dannalee shouts with a big smile. "It was nice to do a lot of fun stuff with the other campers. The staff were

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**Thank you for giving individuals experiencing disability the chance to learn, grow, and have fun this summer!**

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**Your donations are needed now more than ever to ensure campers like Dannalee can continue to access Camp Easter Seal! With the countdown to the 2025 camp season mere months away, your generosity ensures no campers are left behind from a one-of-a-kind camping experience in a safe and supportive environment. Every camper, including Dannalee, deserves a place where they feel accepted and know they truly belong.**

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very nice to me, and I made friends with other kids," she shares, reflecting on the relationships formed in cabin 14 and with fellow campers.

Campers are invited to participate in the much-loved and anticipated Camp Easter Seal talent show at the end of each week. While new campers are encouraged to join, nerves can sometimes hold them back. However, that was not the case for Dannalee! "Dannalee is fearless," her mom, Danna, exclaims. "I was so surprised when, on the last day, Dannalee approached me and said she was going to perform in the talent show. I thought she was joking. But, when we arrived at the amphitheatre, she had already informed the staff of her two song choices. She asked me to accompany her, and I did, but I was absolutely blown away. She had only met these kids a few days earlier, and now she was comfortable enough to sing in front of them. This is a side of my daughter I've never seen before!"

With the summer fast approaching, there's no doubt about Dannalee's hope to return to Camp. "Yes! I want to go back to Camp!" she laughs, giving a look that conveys it was a silly question. "This was a great first experience for Dannalee. As a parent, you have to let your kid go, knowing they will experience more independence and the opportunity to meet new friends. I wish Camp Easter Seal held more camps throughout the year because Dannalee finally found a place of belonging," shares Danna, getting emotional.

Sincerely,

Ian Wilkinson,  
Executive Director



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**DANNA,  
DANNALEE'S MOTHER**

**Your support is essential in making the magic of Camp Easter Seal a reality for campers just like Dannalee. Every dollar stays within the province and ensures children, youth, and adults experiencing disability have a genuine place of belonging. Hosting one camper for a week-long adventure costs about \$2,000. That amount can be an overwhelming expense for families who do not have the financial resources to send their loved ones to Camp. The cost of Camp should never be a barrier that campers and their families have to face - that is why your support is so important. Together, we can guarantee that no one is left behind from their first camping experience at Camp Easter Seal this summer!**