The Northern Illinois University (NIU) Speech-Language Pathology Program is excited to offer a Summer Speech and Language Camp for children who use (or can benefit from using) Augmentative & Alternative Communication (AAC) devices aged 6-11 years old. This four-week camp is supervised by a licensed Speech Language Pathologist and conducted by a team of graduate students enrolled in the NIU Speech-Language Pathology Graduate Program.

Participants in the AAC in the Wild Camp will be immersed in aided language stimulation (modeling on their device or a partner’s device) throughout the entire 2-hour session through a variety of exciting activities. Aided language stimulation is an evidence-based practice which allows AAC users to learn to use vocabulary for various communicative purposes. Each session will be themed around a “wild” location including: the ocean, forest, swamp, jungle, arctic and desert. Campers will participate in a daily base camp meeting, literacy activity, art project, sensory experience, movement time, musical exploration, and a snack (families will be asked to provide their child’s snack for each camp session). They will also compose a letter from camp each day to communicate about their camp day.

Each camper will be assigned a 1:1 graduate student clinician that will stay with their camper the entire session, providing aided language stimulation, creating communication opportunities, and ensuring all camp activities are accessible for their camper. Intake assessments will take place prior to camp starting to ensure that each camper’s needs are accommodated.

Deadline to register and pay is Friday, May 24, 2024.

| Date and Time          | Tuesdays and Thursdays 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.       
|                       | June 4 through June 25                      |
| **6/25 session will include the family to join the children from 2-3 p.m.** |
| Cost                  | $210.00 for seven camp sessions             |
| Enrollment            | 6 children                                  |
| Location              | Northern Illinois University Speech-Language-Hearing Clinic  
|                       | 3100 Sycamore Road DeKalb, IL 60115          
|                       | 815-753-1481                                 |
| Registration          | Please call Kim Wedoff to register with a credit or debit card at the below number. If paying by check, please mail it to the address listed above and send the below portion in with the check. |
| Questions             | Kim Wedoff, M.S., CCC-SLP                    
|                       | Director of Clinic Operations               
|                       | 815-753-6161                                 
|                       | kwedoff@niu.edu                              |
AAC in the Wild Registration Form 2024

Child’s Name: ____________________________________

Date of Birth: ____________________________________

Parent or Guardian Name(s): ____________________________

Address: ____________________________________________

City: ________________________________________________

ZIP Code: ____________________________________________

Phone: ______________________________________________

Email: ______________________________________________

☐ I have enclosed a check made out to NIU Speech-Language-Hearing Clinic.

☐ I will call Kim Wedoff to pay with a credit or debit card.

If paying by check, please mail to:

Kim Wedoff, Clinic Director
Northern Illinois University Speech-Language-Hearing Clinic
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