Circle Camps

A free summer camp for girls who have experienced the death of a parent.





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"It's like regular camp, with something extra special."

For more than 20 years, Circle Camps has provided weeklong overnight camp programs for bereaved girls.

Programs & Locations

Circle at Tapawingo

For girls ages 9-14 Sweden, Maine

Circle Leaders in Training

For girls ages 15-18

Circle at Emma Kaufmann Camp

For girls ages 9-14 Morgantown, West Virginia

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Circle at Camp Twin Lakes

For girls ages 8-13 Rutledge, Georgia Circle di Circle di Tapavingo

Circle at Tapawingo was founded in 2002 with just 32 campers and 26 volunteers. We now host over 100 girls and 50 volunteers each summer.

Located in Sweden, Maine, Circle at Tapawingo offers an authentic summer camp experience. The facility provides multiple sports fields, an outdoor basketball court, an archery range, multiple tennis courts, and a lake-front beach that looks out over Keyes Pond--perfect for swimming and tubing! Various grief activities are included throughout each camper's daily schedule.





Circle at EKC





Circle at EKC, founded in 2014, is located in Morgantown, West Virginia and runs out of Emma Kaufmann Camp.

With an average of 50 girls each summer, Circle at EKC provides a large sports field, indoor and outdoor basketball courts, tennis courts, gaga pits, two swimming pools (with a waterslide!), a lakefront with access to multiple ski boats for tubing, and a blob!

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Twin Lakes

Circle at Camp Twin Lakes, founded in 2022, is our newst location!
Circle at CTL runs out of Rutledge
West, Camp Twin Lakes' brand new camp.

Set on 100 beautiful acres, campers have the opportunity to swim, canoe, paddle board, kayak, create pottery, learn about farming, participate in arts 'n' crafts, and play landsports. They will also be able to explore their grief through various activities lead by a volunteer team member.





Circle Leaders
in Training

The LIT program at Circle is open to campers who have already attended camp as a camper and/or teen.

LIT-1 (rising 10th graders)

Introduction to camp leadership, with a focus on team building.

LIT-2 (rising 11th graders)

Focuses on the development of personal leadership style through counselor training and role modeling.

LIT-3 (rising 12th graders)

Promotes project-based skill acquisition and confidence building through service opportunities.

LIT-4 (12th+)

Inspires the understanding of individual accountability for group success through an immersive outdoor challenge.





Circle Camps Fast Facts



Locations

Sweden, Maine at Camp Tapawingo, Morgantown, West Virginia at Emma Kaufman Camp, & Rutledge, GA at Camp Twin Lakes



Grief Activities

Bunk Bill of Rights, Circle Time, Rock Ceremony, and more!



Evening Activities

Circle of the Stars (talent show), fashion show, luau, campfire, and more!



Land Sports

Soccer, basketball, ultimate frisbee, kickball, newcomb, yoga, gaga ball, & stickball



Waterfront

Swimming, canoeing, and tubing! Special waterfront activities: lake-swim at CAT, the Blob at CEKC, & kayaking at CCTL.



Typically, there are up to 8 girls and 2 counselors in a bunk; each bunk has its own bathroom and every camper is in charge of keeping their space clean!



Arts

Origami, blanket-making, watercolor painting, friendship bracelets, dance, & more!



Every camper can participate in archery, and our archery instructor is a level 4 National Training System coach!



Circle celebrates every camper! Our priority is a truly inclusive and safe space for all kids and volunteers.

Click to learn about Circle Camps from our campers and volunteers!



Circle at Tapawingo



Circle at EKC



Circle Leaders in Training

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