



## THE MISSION OF CAMP SUSAN CURTIS

is to provide a transformative camp experience that nurtures self-confidence and a sense of belonging in Maine children facing economic hardship.

## CSC is CELEBRATING 50 YEARS of fun and friendship on Trout Lake in Stoneham, ME!

Over 18,000 Maine children have been impacted by our supportive community; encouraged to try new things, experience the outdoors, find meaningful success, and return year after year to strengthen relationships, life skills, and well-being in a culture of joy and acceptance.

- First year campers, with a household income that qualifies as economic hardship, are nominated by a network of over 150 School and Community Partners across the State.
- Thanks to the generosity of our donors, camp is completely **FREE!**
- Camp removes barriers by providing centralized transportation, all basic toiletries, and honoring requests for other needs including sneakers, swimsuits, and bedding.

**CSC is a gender-inclusive overnight camp with four 10-day sessions each summer. Campers are assigned to a session based on geography and program interests.**

Same-grade campers live as a cabin family and participate in activities that include teambuilding, campfires, family-style meals, camp-wide events, and daily reflection.

**Traditional Campers** are entering 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> grade. **Bridge Campers** are entering 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> grade.

**Leadership Development Campers** are entering 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade and are transitioning to a staff role by building leadership competencies and preparing for life beyond high school. Curriculum include social media safety, job seeking skills, public speaking, and a college/career visit.

**The CSC Program includes 6 Program Areas with trauma-informed curriculum and reflection designed for growth, learning, fun, and exploration of new interests.**

- **Creative Arts:** Visual Arts, Jewelry, Pottery, Crafts, Theater **Bridge Program:** StART
- **Calm Down!:** Crafts, Literacy, Meditation, Movement, Yoga
- **Nature:** Outdoor Adventures, Hiking, Water, Wildlife **Bridge Program:** OWLS
- **R.O.C.K.:** Teambuilding, Climbing Tower
- **Sports & Games:** Archery, Biking, Field and Court Sports **Bridge Program:** SpEad
- **Waterfront:** Swimming, Canoeing, Kayaking, Paddleboarding **Bridge Program:** Splash
- The **Explore Bridge Program** is a combination of R.O.C.K., Nature, and Mountain Biking

**CSC Staff** are compassionate, fun, and trained to foster a sense of belonging through thoughtful activities, conversations, and experiences.