

The Camp Abilities Newsletter "The CAN"

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"BELIEVE YOU CAN ACHIEVE"

"The CAN" (Camp Abilities Newsletter) is dedicated to the memory of Dr. Janet Joseph, "The CAN" founder and Lauren Lieberman's mother. "The CAN", as in, yes YOU CAN!

meet the Staff and Specialist

The Camp Abilities staff and specialists have been working tirelessly to make sure that Camp Abilities 2022 is at its very best. It's time to shine a light on these wonderful people!



Lauren Lieberman is celebrating her 26th (in person) Brockport Camp! *The Camp Abilities Story*, a memoir written by Lieberman is now published, so make sure you go check it out!



Alex is our Assistant Director! This is her 13th year of Camp Abilities Brockport. Her favorite part of camp is seeing and being with her camp family. Her favorite thing to do outside of work is to hang out with her dog Riggs and take him to the dog park.



Kyle is one of our camp **GA's** (Graduate Assistants)! This is Kyle's third year here at Camp Abilities Brockport, he is a huge Buffalo Bills & Dan Diego Padres fan, and he is an eagle scout.



Liz is another one of our **GA's** this year at camp! This is her second year at Camp Abilities Brockport, and she did her undergraduate at Cortland. She throws for the track teams and has met Bill Nye!



Cody is our **GA** on the Lavelle Grant and helping as a lifeguard! This is his 2nd year at Camp Abilities Brockport, his favorite activity is swimming, and he keeps losing his water bottle.



Lizzie is our **Yellow Team Leader**. This is her 15th year at Camp Abilities Brockport and her mom, sister, and brother have all worked at Camp together! Lizzie got married this year and her full-time job is as a nurse helping to deliver babies!



Leah has been coming to Camp Abilities Brockport since 2012! At the end of last year she joined the NYC goalball team and has played 4 tournaments with them. Leah coaches the Brockport women's rugby team. Sports have given her the chance to travel to many different states and countries. Leah is the **Orange Team Lead**.



Jalen is our **Pink Team Leader** this year! This is his second year at Camp Abilities Brockport, his favorite color is blue, and he plays football at Brockport. Jalen's favorite thing about camp is watching the excitement of the campers



Joe is our **Blue Team Leader** this summer! He has helped at Camp Abilities Brockport and Long Island over the past 20 years. Joe loves Goalball and is a certified scuba diver. His favorite quote is "The Only Disability Is A Bad Attitude."



Jasmine is our **Track & Field and Swimming Specialist**. Her favorite thing about camp is the talent show! She really loves meeting new people and seeing camp friends! Jasmine has been attending camp since 2017 and has been to Brockport, Saratoga, Utica, Badger, Boston, and Georgia



Mindy is our **Goalball Specialist**. This is her 2nd year at camp. She loves coffee, ice cream, and all thing pumpkin spice! Her favorite quote is "Courage doesn't mean you don't get afraid. Courage means you don't let fear stop you." - Bethany Hamilton. Mindy believes this year of Camp Abilities will be the best one yet



Peter is the **Tandem and Aquatics Specialist**. This is his 7th year at camp, he's moved 6 times in 6 years, had 2 brothers, and prefers chicken drums over chicken thighs.



Tina is our **Stand Up Paddle Boarding and Aquatics Specialist** this year! Tina was our graduate assistant last year. Her favorite food is pasta, her favorite place to be is the beach, and her favorite thing about camp is Care to Share!



Erin is the **Track & Field and Goalball Specialist** this year. This is her 8th year at Camp Abilities Brockport; she has also attended Camp Abilities Pennsylvania, Tucson, Canada, Saratoga, Texas, and Delaware. Erin has a dog named Riggs, is a varsity lacrosse Coach, and I has a photography business!



Sarah is our specialist for **Tandem and Swimming**. She has been to camps at Brockport, Saratoga, and Camp Spark in Oregon. She has 3 tattoos, is an only child, and has been to the Women's World Cup (soccer).



JJ is a **Goalball and Soccer Specialist**. This will be his 7th year in Camp Abilities Brockport and he has also been a part of Camp Abilities in Utah, and Kosher Camp. JJ's favorite thing about camp is providing opportunities that athletes do not always get during the year. He coaches track and field for Perkins, and is also a DJ.



Jess is our **Stand Up Paddle Board Specialist**. She is returning for her 10th year at CAB (Camp Abilities Brockport). She had a pet snake as a kid, she has an extra bone in her body, and she started a cupcake business.