

Appendix C:

American Camp Association Recommended Ratios of Program Staff to Participants

American Camp Association recommends that the ratio of program staff to program participants must reflect the gender distribution of the participants, and should, at a minimum, meet the following:

Standards for resident camps are:

- One staff member for every five campers ages 4 and 5
- One staff member for every six campers ages 6 to 8
- One staff member for every eight campers ages 9 to 14
- One staff member for every ten campers ages 15 to 17

Standards for day camps are:

- One staff member for every six campers ages 4 and 5
- One staff member for every eight campers ages 6 to 8
- One staff member for every ten campers ages 9 to 14
- One staff member for every twelve campers ages 15 to 17