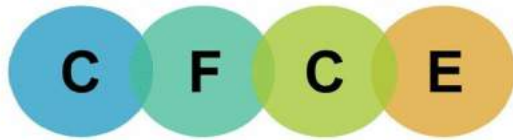


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Golf Tournament 2019



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Another Summer At CFCE!

As we wrap up the summer and start looking towards cooler weather and winter fun, we want to reflect on the amazing summer we have had at CFCE. Be sure to read to the end of the newsletter to learn about this year's summer camps, where we served more kids than ever, expanding our program 3-fold thanks to our committed families and generous supporters.

But first, we want to tell you about our golf tournament, which was held on June 7th at the stunning Arrowhead Golf Course. This was our 10th annual tournament and was therefore a particularly special event for us. At this tournament, we had the pleasure of recognizing loyal supporters who have participated in all 10 tournaments!

We held a morning shotgun start at 8am for the second year in a row. The tournament setting was beautiful in the slightly cooler morning and we didn't have to worry about getting caught in an afternoon shower. Breakfast burritos and coffee were available while golfers signed in and warmed up on the driving range. Before heading out to their first tee, golfers focused their attention on the Ball Drop. CFCE participant, Zak Charlan, expertly tipped the balls onto the putting green to reveal our lucky winner, Don Befort. Don kindly donated over half of his winnings back to CFCE. Thank you, Don!

On the course, players enjoyed game holes such as Buy a Drive, Betting Hole, Hole in One, and contest holes for longest drive and closest to the pin. We won't say how many teams decided to go ahead and buy that drive after their first player teed off! Golden City Brewery generously donated beer for the players carts, which was a hit. Following the game, everyone headed into the tent for a delicious spread of homestyle BBQ while we heard several moving accounts from CFCE families and participants. A Raffle, Live Auction, and awards for the tournament winners rounded out the day.

We are so grateful to be able to provide a fantastic day of golf while raising money for a worthy cause. We are proud that every penny raised goes directly toward program delivery to keep CFCE affordable for families to attend. We want to extend a heartfelt **Thank You** to everyone who contributed as a player, sponsor, Raffle/Auction donor, or volunteer. You all made our 10th Annual Golf Tournament a huge success!



Thank you!



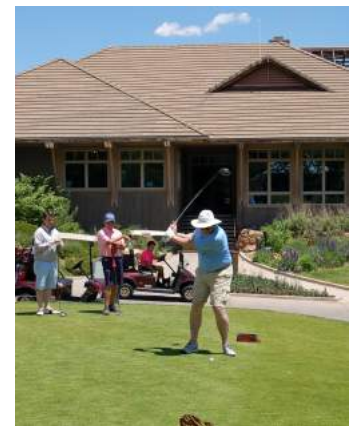
Please enjoy some photos from this year's tournament. Special thanks to Roxanne Waechter for providing photographs of the tournament.





Pictured above is one of our CFCE children, Zak Charlan, expertly dropping the balls for the ball drop.

On the left we have this year's ball drop winner, Don Befort.





Celebrating 10 Years Of CFCE Golf Tournaments!

Above are the loyal and committed players who have attended all 10 CFCE Golf Tournaments! We are very honored to have so many donors who come back every year to support our worthy cause! From left to right: Trey Mallon, TJ Gottschalk, Tyler Olsen, Warren Baker, George Strecker, Jim Waechter III, Roxanne Waechter (CFCE Founder), Jim Waechter IV, Chris Gottschalk, Doug Liller, and Joe Hullings.



Thank you to our volunteers who helped make the tournament a huge success!

Dara Amott, Chelsea Arenas, Jadyne Arenas, Ava Baker, Caroline Baker, Chloe Baker, Margaret Caffery, Nathan Charlan, Renee Charlan, Zachary Charlan, Jennifer Doyle, Peter Doyle, Eniko Gomez, Erika Griess, Christie Hanson, Morgan Harris, Rebecca Hellbaum, Brittney Kemp, Aubrey Logan, Eliot Logan, Stephanie Logan, Jake Mahnken, James Waechter, Jim Waechter III, Katie Waechter, Libby Waechter, Max Waechter, Roxanne Waechter, Jaidyn Zapf, Jeremiah Zapf, Kellie Zapf, Jalyss Zapfletts, and James Zapfletts.



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If you were unable to come to our golf tournament this year or unable to sponsor our event, please consider helping out in the future as a donor to our amazing program! We are seeing a big increase in children interested in CFCE and we need donations more than ever. If you are able to donate, please go online to <https://www.conductiveed.com/support-cfce/donate> or send a check to CFCE, PO Box 746297, Arvada, CO 80006. Thank you!

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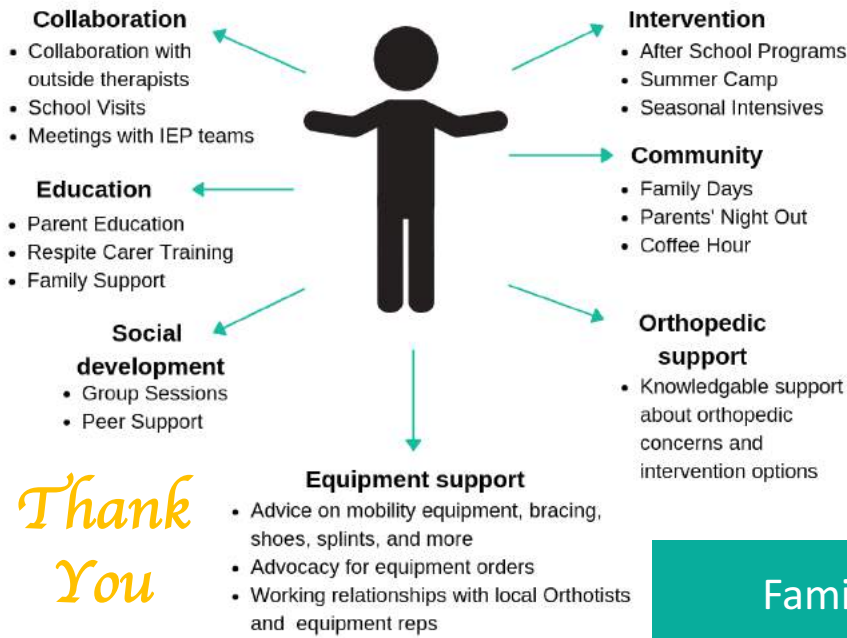
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Roxanne & Jim Waechter
 Bottle of Breckenridge Bourbon



We are still accepting donations for our Family Assistance Fund. We were thrilled by the initial response to the fund and feel strongly that we need to continue to raise money for this important program. When you donate to help a child come to CFCE classes you are not just sending them to therapy. CFCE is a holistic program, so when you donate, you are enabling a child to access everything you see in the picture to the left.

Family Assistance Fund

Ski Days

We are sorry to report to the summer loving folks out there that winter is on its way. But it's not all bad, there are lots of things to look forward to: hot chocolate, cinnamon spice, cozy nights inside, and most importantly - SKI DAYS! Ski days are an important part of the winter months for many of our CFCE families. For our kids, skiing is not accessible without specialized adaptive programs, such as the ones we partner with. Cost can be prohibitive for many of our families, so we work hard to fundraise every year so that our kids can go free! This allows every child to experience the joy of skiing, regardless of physical ability and income level.

Will you help us send our kids down the slopes!? **We need to raise \$3,000** and we cannot do it without your generous help. It's easy to donate online through our website! We can also accept donations over the phone and by check. *Thanks!*



Family Fun At Inspiration Playground

It's not ALL hard work at camp, we have fun too! We had a great time at Inspiration Playground in Fort Collins with our CFCE families. We had loads of fun in the splash pad and racing around the fully accessible play area before cooling off in the shade with some treats, generously donated by Team Select Home Care. Thanks to everyone who came out!



Summer Camp 2019



What a summer! This year, we were excited to host our biggest summer camp yet. We had an incredible **16 first-time** campers, of whom 14 were brand new to the CFCE program. We also had many children attend more weeks of camp this summer than last. Between new kids and kids signing up for more weeks we had a **65% increase** in the number of weeks attended. **Nearly 40** kids made for a fun, busy summer. For the first time, we ran 3 classes simultaneously. In addition to our three conductors, we had 20 class assistants on staff this summer to ensure we could keep the quality of each group as high as it always has been. We spent 4 busy weeks in Loveland and 7 weeks in Arvada, with up to 16 kids in attendance at a time! While we used to offer just one type of camp, an All Ability camp for kids with CP and similar conditions, we are now running **5 types** of camp. These include: High Ability (a unique 2 weeks camp for children learning independent living skills), Walking (focusing on increasing independent mobility safety and daily living skills), All Ability (for children learning skills such as weight bearing and head control), Transition (for learning skills to access the community), and a new camp specifically for pre-teen/teens. All of our camps use the methods and principles of Conductive Education to increase active movement, independence, and well-being.

Why are we so excited about these numbers?

Because we believe, and we have seen, that Conductive Education changes lives. Our goal is to reach as many children and families as possible while maintaining incredible quality. We are excited because we got to see children do things they have never done before, things they were told they couldn't do. We are excited to look at these children and say, "You can do this. You can do hard things."

A Few "Firsts" Our New Kids Achieved...

- ★ First-time walking with canes
- ★ First-time spending a day with peers
- ★ First-time eating at the table independently
- ★ First-time putting shoes on independently
- ★ First-time tying shoes
- ★ First-time standing without support



Meet Our Summer Conductor - Enikő

We were excited to bring back Enikő this year (or "Enny," as the kids affectionately call her). She travelled from Washington to join us for her second year as a summer conductor with CFCE. She came to Colorado for 10 full weeks this year, nearly the whole summer! We have often found that it is difficult to find staff who have the unique "CFCE" mindset, so when we found Enikő last year we were thrilled, and knew we would ask her to return!

Enikő enjoys a challenge – as can be seen in the picture to the left. She loves working with kids who have complex needs and always finds a way to help them learn and grow. After class, you can usually find her brainstorming about what she will try with the class tomorrow. The kids ask about her long after the summer has ended. When she is in Colorado, Enikő enjoys spending time hiking and climbing in the mountains. Her husband, Travis was able to join her in Colorado for several weeks this summer, and they enjoyed exploring Colorado together on the weekends. Back in Washington, Enikő is working towards her masters in teaching and also works with children with motor disorders in-home. We are looking forward to having her back again next year!

CFCE Kid Of The Week!

We are so proud of all of our camp kids this year. Some especially hard workers earned the title "Kid of the Week!"



Congrats to:
 Neala
 Laz
 Naomi
 Pryce
 Preslee
 Tavi



Meet A Class Assistant: Brooke

Brooke is a senior at the University of Colorado where she is majoring in Psychology. She is interested in pursuing a career in Occupational Therapy. Her interest in working with children with special needs began after the birth of her nephew, James, who was born with 22q11.2 Deletion Syndrome, or 22q, which is a rare genetic disorder. Brooke started as a class assistant this past summer and has loved coming to work every day. In her free time, Brooke enjoys hiking with her dog, skiing, and doing yoga.

WE ARE HIRING! - If you are interested in working as a class assistant at CFCE or know someone looking for a part time job in Arvada or Loveland, Colorado, please contact us at admin@conductiveed.com for more information. Perfect for anyone looking into a therapy or teaching degree!

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Fall Semester: Sept 3rd – Dec 20th
Thanksgiving Break: Nov 28th and 29th
Winter Break: Dec 23rd – 27th

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