

Guidelines for An Afternoon of Respite

This Afternoon of Respite Care is sponsored by Lifespan Respite of Union County, Community Connection of NE Oregon, and Child Care Resource and Referral.

Who can attend?

Children with disability or special need between the ages of 2 and 8, who pose no risk to others or themselves.

Where will this event be held?

Riveria Activity Center/ Kids Club in La Grande is located on Z Ave between 2nd and 3rd Streets.

What does it cost?

There is no cost to the family, however, we will be accepting donations to fund future respite afternoons.

How do I sign up?

Parents will need to contact Lifespan by April 15 to determine whether there is room available. Attendance will be first come, first served. Before child is accepted, a completed sign-up sheet and release will need to be received by Lifespan.

Who will be caring for my child?

The children will be assisted by a volunteer from the community or the university. Often this volunteer will be assigned to only one child. There will be a staff person from Kids Club overseeing the event and coordinating activities. All participants over 18 have undergone a background check.

What will the children be doing during this time?

The children will participate in a craft activity, an hour of active play and then snack time.

Can I attend with my child?

You may stay with your child as long as you like. We understand that some children take time warming up to new people, and may need some transition time.

My child has dietary restrictions. Do I need to send food with her/him?

There is a place on the sign-up sheet to indicate food sensitivities or other dietary issues. Our group will work with you to ensure that the snacks we serve are safe for your child. Of course you are welcome to provide your child with your choice of snacks.

My child sometimes has behavior difficulties. Is it OK to leave them with a new person?

We will work with you to understand what creates these difficulties and which interventions work best with your child. The provider assigned to your child will be given this information. We hope this makes it easier to guide your child and give them, and you, an enjoyable experience.

Release of Liability Form

I, _____ give Lifespan Respite of Union County and Kids Club full responsibility for the care, safety and well being of my child or children while attending this event.

The respite care provider and all other sponsoring and participating organizations and individuals are hereby released from any and all liability that may occur as a result of my voluntary participation in this event.

Lifespan Respite of Union County (or a representative of this network) has my permission to transport my child or children to the nearest hospital if I cannot be reached in the event of an emergency. I will assume the expense of an ambulance if necessary.

Lifespan Respite of Union County and Kids Club will not be held liable for any accident or illness suffered by my child or children if this occurs through no negligence on the part of the respite care provider.

The full names of all persons who may be under the care of a respite provider, and my relationship to them, are;

Name: _____	Relationship: _____
Name: _____	Relationship: _____
Name: _____	Relationship: _____

Comments: _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____
(Parent/Guardian if under 18)

Signature: _____
(Witness)

Please return completed form to:
Lifespan Respite of Union County
1607 Gekeler Lane
La Grande, OR 97850