



Since its inception more than 100 years ago Mooseheart Child City & School has opened its gates to more than 12,000 children for the opportunity to enjoy a fresh start in our caring community. Without exception, each one of those children has been blessed with a Moose sponsor of their very own. This sponsor has the unique privilege of blessing their respective child with a very special and long-lasting relationship of encouragement and support. The primary role of the sponsor is to keep the children very much aware that the members of our great fraternity, and especially the members of their particular sponsor Lodge or Chapter, deeply care about them and their future.

It is our hope that when a Mooseheart child is asked who his or her sponsor is, that they quickly and proudly respond. Only regular contact with them will make sure this happens.

A sponsor agrees to three basic responsibilities:

- Provide or pay for transportation (if needed) for a child to come to Mooseheart.
- Remember the child at their birthday and Christmas (each sponsor determines how they wish to make it known to the child that they are thought of and special).
- Send notes of encouragement, emails or phone calls throughout the year.

Some other ways that sponsors support their children at Mooseheart include:

- Proudly display photographs and correspondence with their child at the local Lodge or Chapter and share them with their members.
- Visit their child at Mooseheart during Moose state days, graduation or holiday visits.
- Keep in contact with their child after graduation to extend a sense of family beyond their Mooseheart school years and to ensure they stay involved and connected to the Moose into their adult years.

Historically only children referred to Mooseheart by an active Moose member would have been considered for admission. In those cases, it was clear who the sponsor of those children would be. However, today more and more children are referred to Mooseheart from outside of the Moose fraternity. In those cases, a sponsor must be found and assigned by the Mooseheart Admissions Department.

In the interest of these children, we are now offering ALL fraternal units the opportunity to be become a primary sponsor for a child at Mooseheart. When a child is accepted for admission to Mooseheart who does not have a prior Moose affiliation, that child must be assigned a sponsoring Lodge or Chapter. Once assigned, that sponsor can begin a beautiful, encouraging relationship with that child. If your fraternal unit would like to be added to our "willing to sponsor" list, please contact our office today. Thank you for putting the Moose in Mooseheart! We can't do it without you!

Fraternally,
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