

Hi! It's so nice to meet  
you. My name is  
**KYLE.**



**F**ifteen-year-old Kyle lives with Tourette syndrome, something that makes it challenging to make friends and fit in at school. **Kyle wishes that people understood that he is loving, intelligent, and funny. There is more to him than Tourette syndrome.**

Kyle has attended Roundup River Ranch for the past two years. He wanted to go to Camp to meet other kids who had similar challenges to him. It's a place where Kyle's tics are accepted and he doesn't feel as different as he does other places. **While he loves all of the camp activities, Kyle's favorite part of camp is feeling like he is wanted and that he belongs.** At Roundup River Ranch, he forms friendships with other kids who are more accepting – they talk to him more and include him in activities.

Camp provides kids like Kyle with an opportunity to get away from their illnesses and challenges so they can enjoy an incredible week of fun. **Kyle thinks about Camp all the time, and he carries the tolerance, patience, and acceptance of others that he learned at Roundup River Ranch with him when he returns home.** He loves Roundup River and all the staff.

Kyle can't wait to be a counselor someday in the future too so he can give back to the place that has given him so much.

