



## Mission Statement

Chamberlain's empowers at-risk children in a home-like environment to heal from past trauma, discover their strengths and develop the skills they need to achieve life-long success.

## Chamberlain's History

Our story began in 1965, when Clara Chamberlain started a home for special needs babies in Santa Clara county. The need for foster care for behaviorally disturbed children increased and many children were not succeeding in their initial foster care settings, having experienced multiple placements before coming to Mrs. Chamberlain home.

Soon it appeared that a unique scholastic program was also needed. Targeting special education, she created a school for the children in her care and our school program was born.

In 1969 Chamberlain's moved to San Martin where Chamberlain's Therapeutic Center was incorporated and later made a nonprofit entity. They eventually changed the name to Chamberlain's Children Center and moved to Hollister in 1976 where we are currently located.

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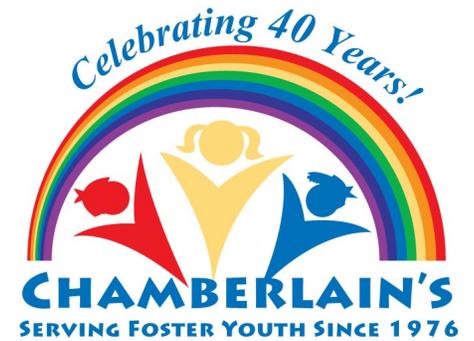


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## Chamberlain's Services

Chamberlain's Children Center is a nonprofit foster care group home that serves children who have been mentally and physically abused or neglected and have been removed from their families.

We provide them with the tools they need to learn on how to become thriving individuals, despite everything they have gone through.

Our state licensed & nationally accredited facility provides therapy, case management, schooling & residential treatment in a home-like environment. We have a *non-public school* on campus for children who need more attention in an academic setting and a *Health, Wellness & Nutrition* program for an uniquely holistic approach to their treatment and care.



### Residential Treatment Program

- The children in our care are foster children between the ages of 6-17. They have all experienced physical and/or emotional abuse and/or neglect.
- Four cottages house 6 children each for a maximum capacity of 24 children at a time.
- Children are supervised 24/7 with awake staff covering overnight hours.
- We provide Social Skills Milieu, Individual, Family, & Group Therapy, Psychiatry/ Psychopharmacology and Case Management.
- Residents are encouraged to participate in recreational activities both on campus and out in the community.
- The program is successful in handling children with the following problem areas: anger management, behavioral control, impulse control, self-awareness, problem solving, respect for authority, assertiveness, communication skills, social skills and appropriate boundaries.
- The residential component is reviewed annually, licensed, and regulated by the California Department of Social Services, Community Care Licensing.
- Staff hold licenses or credentials in Crisis Prevention & Intervention, First Aid & CPR, Marriage & Family Therapy and Group Home Management.
- Our Food Program is reviewed annually and certified by the California Department of Education's Food and Nutrition Program.

### Keith Thompson Non-Public School

- One room schoolhouse with the capacity for up to 12 children.
- State of the art technology
- Staffed by Special Education Teacher & Paraprofessionals.
- Focus on special education for developmentally challenged children.
- All students are followed with an Individualized Education Plan (IEP).



### Health, Wellness and Nutrition

The children who come to us often lead sedentary lifestyles and rely on unhealthy foods.

The Chamberlain's *Health, Wellness and Nutrition* program teaches children the benefits of staying active, eating healthy foods and taking good care of themselves.

We do this by encouraging them to participate in activities such as growing fruits & vegetables, cooking nutritious meals, playing sports, using the exercise equipment or playground and lifting spirits through music, bicycling and dance. We offer a variety of activities such as volleyball, baseball, basketball, soccer and arts & crafts.

### Wellness Center Features

- Learning Lab Kitchen
- Exercise Equipment
- Rock Climbing Wall
- Music and Movement Room
- 6 raised bed gardens, a living teepee, a pizza garden, a tranquility garden and *more to come!*