

# **You Tell The Story**

## **Peer-to-Peer Abuse at Camp**



## **July 13th**

Bristol, a rising 6th grader, is having a wonderful time at camp for her fourth summer in a row.

## July 14th

It is Wednesday, which means free choice activities in the afternoon. Bristol and friends head to the waterfront, before it's their turn on the schedule to take a shower.

**July 14th, 4:30 PM**

Bristol and her friends head to the bath house. Bristol's friends take the two available showers while she waits on a bench for the next one.

One staff person is standing at the door, supervising the activities inside.

**July 14th, 4:35 PM**

The supervising staff member gets a call on her radio. A camper has fallen over and needs first aid.

She shouts into the bath house to let the campers know she is stepping away. While she is gone, two older campers sneak into the bath house.

**July 14th, 4:40 PM**

Finally a shower opens. As Bristol is showering, an older camper comes into the stall with her and motions for her to stay quiet. She touches Bristol's genitals, and warns her not to tell anyone.

## July 15th

Bristol's counselor notices that she isn't as cheerful as she was during her first week. They assume that she is just tired and missing home. (She stays this way for the rest of the camp session.)

## July 20th

Bristol's mom arrives for pick up at the end of the session. Her mom wants to spend time walking around camp, but Bristol is in a hurry to get in the car.



## **July 24th**

The Camp Director receives a call from Bristol's mother. She is upset, and saying that Bristol was sexually assaulted at camp.

The Camp Director opens an investigation.

## **September 15th**

The camp gets notice that Bristol's parents have retained counsel. They are claiming negligent supervision and failure to report abuse, per state required Mandated Reporter Laws.

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change the story...**