



Camp Gan Israel

Summer 2020

Parent Handbook Addendum

COVID-19 Camp Policies and Procedures

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Dear Parents,

As we prepare for the upcoming summer at Camp Gan Israel, first and foremost in our minds is the safety and wellbeing of our campers and staff. These are trying times and camp will be operating differently than usual.

The information contained in these pages reflect discussions and consultations with the camp medical committee and guidance from local, state and federal agencies. We have done our best to provide you with a clear, concise and practical outline of what we have planned for the camp season.

Please know that we will be in contact with all relevant agencies to keep up to date with changes that may occur during the summer camp and will share them with you.

With all necessary precautions in place and our vigilance during the summer, we are confident that we can provide your children with an exciting and fun summer experience. Nonetheless, we cannot guarantee that COVID-19 or other illnesses will not occur at camp this summer. No camp can make that guarantee. Please make the best decision for you and your family. If you are not comfortable with our camp protocols, we ask that you please do not register your child. We look forward to welcoming you back next year.

The success of our summer depends upon all families openly and honestly communicating whether anyone in their home has tested positive or even has any related symptoms. It is ok to contract COVID-19. It can happen to anyone, even if they are adhering to stay-at-home directives and social distancing protocols. Stigma or silence surrounding this is counterproductive. If we’re open and honest with each other, we can keep camp— and the joy that it brings to dozens of families— open all summer.

As always, feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns that you may have over the summer.

With heartfelt prayers for a well-deserved safe, healthy and enjoyable summer for our campers!

Sincerely,

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Program Modifications

In order to adhere to CDC guidelines, we have altered the Camp program as follows:

- Camp will run from Wednesday, July 1 - Friday, July 31st (excluding July 30) from 9 AM - 3 PM.
- **There will NOT be early care or aftercare.**
- We will not be having off-site field trips and inter-bunk activities.
- We will not be using any buses.
- There will be no late-nights, over-nights, or family events this year.
- We will limit contact sports and similar activities.
- We have limited camp gatherings, events, and on-site extracurricular activities to those that can maintain social distancing, support proper hand hygiene, and have restricted attendance to the maximum group size as determined by the current phase of the State of Nevada plan.
- Only one bunk at a time will use the playground. They will wash hands and/or use hand sanitizer before and after each use under staff supervision.
- Swimming will be limited to one bunk at a time to aid social distancing, and pool railings will be disinfected between uses.
- All campers should apply sunscreen at home. When reapplying sunscreen in camp, campers will do so unassisted; preschool age campers will be assisted by a masked staff member. Please send a labeled bottle of sunscreen with your child.
- **If you traveled out of the Las Vegas area within 14 days of your camp start date, you will need to quarantine for 7 days, followed by a negative test before coming to camp.**
- Camp programs have always been built around developmentally appropriate practice. Social distancing is not a developmentally appropriate expectation for any child under the age of 12, and especially the younger children (under 7). Therefore, we expect that your child will be at a distance of less than 6 feet of another child, neither of whom will be in a mask, at many times this summer. Our staff will remind campers frequently to social distance, but we know that it will not always occur. Our program will not encourage activities that place campers in less than 6 feet of one another for prolonged periods, or that occur in confined indoor spaces for prolonged periods to minimize aerosol transmission.

I. Drop Off and Pick Up Procedures

Drop off:

Please drop off your child at the designated spots in front of the building. If your child is able to get in/out of the car unassisted, allow them to do so. If the child is too young and needs assistance, please open the car door and take your child out. A masked staff member will then take your child from the side of the car. Upon entering the building, the camper's temperature will be taken via an infrared touchless thermometer and screened for symptoms. Please do not drive away until you are given the all clear sign from a staff member.

Pick Up:

Please wait in your car and signal for a staff member so that your child can be called to come out to you. This year, all parents will receive a few placards with the family last name printed on it to be displayed in their car window. Masked staff members will assist the younger children to the car.

- For the safety of our campers and staff, ***PARENTS OR ANY VISITORS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED BEYOND THE LOBBY. PLEASE WEAR A MASK IN THE LOBBY WHILE OBSERVING SOCIAL DISTANCING.***
- If possible, older people such as grandparents should not pick-up or drop-off children because they are more at risk.

II. Sick Policy

- Please check your child's temperature at home prior to coming to camp.
- Keep your child home if he/she is showing any signs or symptoms of illness.
- Any child with a temperature of **100.4** or above will be sent home. Temperature screenings will be conducted via an infrared touchless thermometer. Due to the margin of error, any camper with a temperature of **100.0** or above will be retested a short while later.
- If your child has an excessive and unusual runny nose, cough or sneeze, fever, vomiting, diarrhea, rash, loss of taste or smell, or any other symptoms typical of COVID-19, we will ask that you pick up your child and keep him/her home for 7 days. He/she will need a negative test before being accepted back to camp.

- If your child is sick with non-COVID symptoms, they will need to be fever-free for 24 hours before returning to camp. In some cases, a note from your child's doctor will be required for your child to return to camp.
- If your child shows symptoms while at camp, they will be cared for by a staff member in isolation. You will need to pick up your child within 1 hour. The room will then be sanitized and disinfected.
- If you, your spouse or other members of your family have a temperature or are sick, we respectfully request that you keep your child/ren home.
- If COVID-19 is confirmed in a child or staff member, that bunk will be closed for a minimum of 24 hours. We will notify you immediately if that is the case and if there are any other necessary precautions.
- Local health authorities will be notified and will advise us on re-opening procedures.
- Areas used by anyone with a confirmed case will not be used until cleaning and disinfection has occurred. We will ensure safe and correct application of disinfectants and keep disinfectant products away from children.
- Any camper or staff member who has a confirmed case of COVID-19 will need to self-quarantine for 14 days and a negative test with a doctor's note will be required before returning.
- Any camper whose parent or member of their household has a confirmed case of COVID-19 will need to self-quarantine for 14 days and a negative COVID test with a doctor's note will be required before returning.

III. Masks

- All staff will be wearing masks during times that they are in close proximity to the children.
- We are not making it mandatory for our campers to wear masks. If you would like your child to wear a mask, he/she may certainly do so.

IV. Physical Distancing and Bunk Sizes

In order to limit exposure and to provide contact tracing should the need arise; bunk size will be reduced.

- Throughout the week, the same group of children will remain with the same staff each day, all day.

- We will restrict mixing between groups of campers.
- Physical distancing for campers and counselors within their bunk will be encouraged.
- This year, each bunk will have their own set of equipment and supplies, i.e. markers, balls, jump ropes etc.

In the event bunks are gathered together for a show or performance, the following conditions will be met:

- All staff will wear masks.
- There will be 6 feet separation between bunks.
- Campers will be encouraged to wear masks at these events. You may leave a labeled mask in your child's cubby or send it daily.
- During nap time for younger children, cots will be set up 6 feet apart.

V. Sanitizing

Our full-time, onsite custodian will be sanitizing the building thoroughly throughout the day, including door handles, bathrooms etc.

Every counselor will have hand sanitizer available for campers and staff. Hand sanitizing will take place often and under the supervision of the counselors.

It is mandatory for all campers to sanitize their hands upon entering the building, and it will be encouraged throughout the day.

VI. Food & Drinks

- Campers will eat lunch with their bunks only.
- Parents should provide an AM & PM snack in addition to lunch, including preschool aged children.
- Everything must be easily opened and eaten by the children with little counselor help.
- Lunch may be pareve or dairy. **No soups will be allowed** and no warming up food.

- Prepackaged food will be served at special occasions with staff wearing masks.
- Cooking and baking activities will be done with extra precautions.
- Please send two large, filled water bottles every day. You may send extra water bottles to keep in your child's cubby in the event that they run out.

VII. Staff

- Our staff will be tested for COVID-19 before starting to work in camp.
- All staff will be trained on appropriate cleaning and disinfection, hand hygiene, and social distancing practices.

VIII. Tuition

- The cost of week 1 (July 1-3) is \$150.
- The cost is \$250 per child per full week. (July 6 - July 24).
- The cost of the last week (July 27-31 - excluding July 30) is \$200.
- The full program cost is \$1,000.

Payment can be paid in full before camp begins or is collected on each Monday of the week. Please speak with Pesha Rodman if you have any questions at 702-259-1000.