

Camp Kaleidoscope



Information 2021

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JCC Camps maintain the highest standards for health and safety, and we will work together with our families to implement the most effective and up-to-date practices recommended by the CDC, the MA Department of Public Health, and our local Board of Health. Protocols are subject to change.

This information was updated 3/16/21. Changes are highlighted.

ATTENDANCE, PICK-UP AND DROP-OFF

- **July 5** There is no camp on Monday, July 5, 2021, in celebration of Independence Day.
- **Absence** If your child is out for the day, please call 617 558-6523 or email kaleidoscope@jccgb.org. Parents will be required to fill out a COVID-19 screening daily, even if your child is not attending camp that day.
- **Pick-up policy** Campers will be released to their parents/guardians or to those listed on the registration form. If your child will be picked up from camp by anyone else, please let us know.
- **Early dismissal** Notify us before 11:45am if you are picking up your child before regular pick-up. *All campers must be dismissed through the office.* Please allow extra time for early pick-up.
- **Buses** Notify the camp office or bus counselor if campers are not riding the bus that day. Please see the transportation page for more details.
- **Extended day and early drop-off** are available by the week. Please contact the office to sign up. *We regret that there is no extended day on the last day of camp, August 20.*

MORNING DROP-OFF

- Morning drop-off is 8:45-9:15am. Parents will be required to fill out a COVID-19 screening daily before coming to camp or riding the bus. Cars drive through the loop, dropping off in designated areas. More information will be provided before camp.

Dashboard cards will be supplied to help us recognize your car. These will be mailed in June.

Early drop-off (8-8:45am), park in the lot and escort your child as instructed prior to camp.

AFTERNOON PICK-UP

- Pickup is from 3:40-4:10. Please follow the information provided prior to camp in picking up your child.
- Parents pull up to the curb to pick up children from designated areas. Campers should not walk through traffic to enter cars. Please follow our staff's directions to ensure safety at pickup.
- **Dashboard cards** will be mailed in June. Campers will be released to drivers with a card; drivers without a card may be asked for ID. Notify the office if someone not on your dismissal list will pick up your child.
- **Extended day** Park in the lot and follow directions to meet your child.

JCC SECURITY

- All visitors must follow COVID protocols and show their JCC pass or ID for admission into the building.

WHAT TO BRING TO CAMP: LABEL EVERYTHING!!!!

Campers should bring a labeled backpack with all of the items they need for the day.

- **Masks** Campers will wear masks throughout the day, with breaks for eating or when they are outside and away from others. Be sure your child's name is on all masks. We suggest packing at least two extra masks per day. We will have limited single-use masks available in case extras are needed.
- **Lunch** Campers bring a kosher-style dairy lunch, or pre-order from our Kosher caterer. Lunch forms are [HERE](#). Lunch must be ordered by May 1. *Please do not bring peanuts, meat, poultry or shellfish to camp.* Campers who bring other nuts must notify their counselor. Lunches brought from home are not refrigerated.
- **Snacks** Lower and middle campers should **bring their own snacks** for a mid-morning break. We will supply ice pops to all campers in the afternoon. Campers may bring snacks for afternoons, too, if they prefer.
- **Water bottles** Bring reusable water bottles to camp each day. There are several re-filling stations around camp. Please label water bottles!
- **Bathing suit, towel and swim cap** We expect that campers will swim daily. Consider sending younger campers in their swimsuits. **Parents must supply swim caps to all campers. Swim caps are required in the indoor pool, which will be used by all age groups this summer.**

- **Footwear** Campers should wear sneakers or sturdy sandals to allow for running.
- **Sunscreen, hat and bug repellent** Apply sunscreen at home before camp. Send a hat, sunscreen and bug repellent with your child.

MEDICATIONS AND HEALTH POLICIES

- **Medications** must be delivered directly to the camp nurse by a parent or guardian. The nurse will be on-site beginning the week before camp starts, and will be available before the first day of each session. Medications must be in their original container and properly labeled with physician-written instructions. Parents must pick up medications on their child's last day or before camp ends on August 20.
- **Illness:** Keep children home if they are not feeling well. Campers with a fever will not be admitted to camp. Campers who develop a fever or other symptoms of illness will be sent home. Please see separate precautions and regulations regarding COVID-19, provided before camp begins. **Parents are expected to arrange prompt pickup of any child who is ill.**

LICE POLICY

- Campers with signs of lice will be checked by our health staff. Any camper with lice or significant nits will be sent home until proper treatment has been completed. *Campers arriving from overnight camp or overseas travel, or who would like to be checked before camp, please contact us for an appointment with the nurse.*
- All campers with lice must be checked by our health staff before re-entry to camp.
- Complete lice policy and information sheet is available upon request.

CAMP OR BUNK CLOSURE POLICY

In the event that Camp Kaleidoscope must close your child's bunk, or all of camp, due to state or local mandate, JCC Camp Kaleidoscope will do our best to fit you into another week, session or JCC camp program as you prefer. If we are unable to accommodate you, the JCC will credit your account for use in a future program.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- **Electronics and valuables** Campers /CITs are **not** permitted phones at camp. Please keep valuables at home.
- **All phone communication must go through the camp office, 617 558-6523.**
- **Lost and found** We make every effort to reunite items with their owners. Label everything!
- **Birthdays:** We love and celebrate birthdays at camp. Please do not send items to share with others.
- **Exhibits and performances**

Each bunk group will have the opportunity to perform each 2-week session. The camp photographers will post photos and videos throughout the summer. Upper campers who choose a theater track will perform during the camp day at the end of each 2-week session. Performances will be videoed and links will be shared with parents. We will inform you if live audiences can be accommodated.

- **Expected behavior:** While we cannot restrict families' activity outside of JCC Greater Boston, we ask that you consider how your choices before and after the camp day affect the larger community. We encourage everyone at our summer camps to follow appropriate hand hygiene, physical distancing, and mask wearing, along with any other guidance from the CDC, the MA Department of Public Health, and local Boards of Health, at all times. Camp is an exciting, fun, sociable and nurturing experience. Campers are expected to be respectful of each other, counselors, and the facilities. Any campers endangering themselves or others may be asked to leave camp. Parents may request a copy of the discipline policy at any time. Refunds are not given to campers who are asked to withdraw.

We are proud of the kindness and support which are the foundation of the Jewish values embraced by the Camp Kaleidoscope community.

Welcome to camp!



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