

JCC Day Camp Summer 2020



Safety and Operations Guidelines





Dear JCC Camp Family,

Our goal in this manual is to effectively communicate the best practices we have put in place to ensure a safe summer at our camp. There are elements of this document that will continue to evolve as we receive more information. In providing you with our current framework for the summer, we hope you see our path to a safe and healthy camp season!

Stay well and see you at camp,
JCC Camp Staff

Start of Camp: Monday, July 6th
Closing of Camp: Friday, August 28th



Vision for Summer 2020

As we transition our lives out of our homes and look to reintroduce our children to socializing and interacting with friends, camp offers a haven for children to be this summer. Camp is not a risk-free environment, but with our commitment to implement the guidelines set forth by the New York State Department of Health and CDC to minimize risk, we are looking forward to providing campers with a safe and fun summer camp experience.

From health screening to start the day, to sanitizing and disinfecting throughout the day, you can be assured that we will offer your child the healthy environment they deserve while delivering the friendships, memories and growth they need!

JCC Day Camp enters every summer with thoughtfulness in making sure every element of the camp day is executed properly. Along with our devoted staff, small camper groups and thorough cleaning procedures we will create a community of sunshine and smiles. We are unwavering in our goal to deliver a safe and healthy summer to your family and have committed all our passion, experience, and knowledge to bring about Summer 2020!



Our Promise to You:

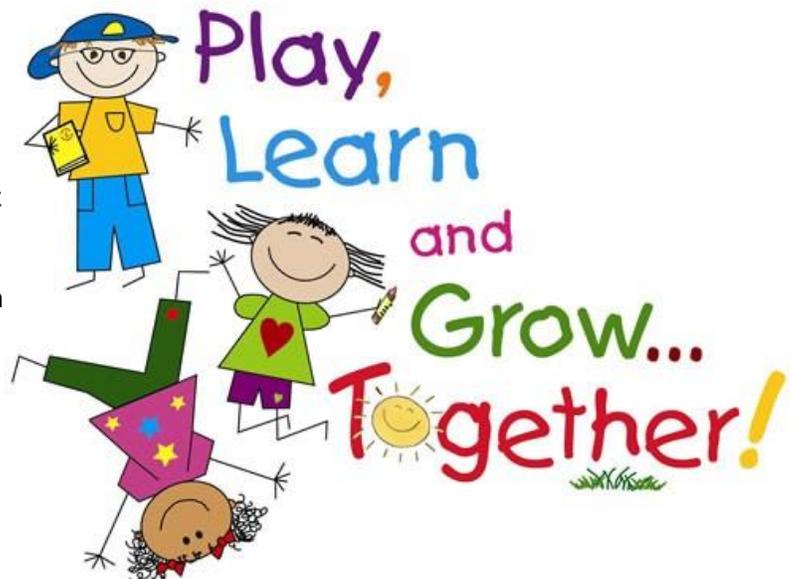
- Train our staff on the necessary measures that ensure the safety of our campers
- Administer daily surveillance assessments to all staff and campers
- Maintain aggressive cleaning and sanitation protocols throughout camp
- Practice social distancing guidelines established for our camp
- Encourage healthy habits to keep our staff and campers safe
- Use masks and personal protective equipment, where and when practical to do so
- Deliver a program which brings the “Sunshine and Smiles” to Summer 2020
- Communicate. We will be here for you.

Your Promise to Us:

- We are all in this together, we ask that you follow our guidance and general knowledge so we can all be healthy and happy together.
- Be patient. This summer will be unlike any other. As we learn new information, we will communicate to you any changes in our guidelines and protocols.
- Not lose sight of what is most important. Your camper will enjoy the outdoors, take part in their favorite activities, and reconnect with their camp friends
- If your camper has been experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 or has been recently exposed, we ask that you notify us immediately.

Our Plan:

JCC Day Camp will rely on guidance from the American Camp Association (ACA), CDC and the New York State Department of Health. Our procedures follow COVID-19 preventative measures and practices. Our plan is designed to be flexible, so that we can adapt and refine our response as guidance changes. Our goal is to minimize risk and provide campers with an amazing camp experience.





Group Size & Social Distancing

<p>SMALL CAMP FAMILIES</p>	<p>FAMILIES WILL NOT MIX</p>	<p>NO LARGE GATHERINGS</p>	<p>SAFE INTERACTION WITH EXTERNAL STAFF</p>
<p>Each group will move around camp in their “family” to their activities.</p>	<p>“Families” will be required to maintain appropriate social distancing from other families.</p>	<p>Large gatherings like blast off will be modified and executed on a much smaller scale to maintain proper distancing. Special events will be reworked to accommodate the “family” dynamic.</p>	<p>All staff will be required to wear proper face coverings.</p>

What is a “Family”?

Campers will be organized into small, self-contained groups with dedicated supervisory staff that stay together all day, every day. We will refer to these uniquely organized groups as “families.” “Families” will socially distance by not mixing or interacting with other “families” during the camp day. Any other staff members that interact with campers outside of the “family,” such as activity specialists, will wear proper face coverings according to the guidelines established by the CDC and NYS DOH.

Masks/Face Coverings?

Masks will not be required to be worn by campers during a camper’s regular routine throughout the day. Campers, however, may choose to wear masks. The camp program will avoid “families” from breaking social distancing guidelines.

Camp staff will be required to wear face coverings throughout the camp day unless they are on break and a safe distance from campers and other staff.



Our Home



Daily Surveillance

Temperature checks with a non-contact infrared thermometer will be required for all staff and campers prior to entering the campground. As per CDC guidelines, any camper, or staff member with a temperature of 100.4°F or higher, will not be allowed to enter the campground.

Visual health checks will be performed throughout the day. The following is a list of symptoms supervisors, counselors and medical staff will be checking for: Fever or Feverish, Cough, Sore Throat, Shortness of Breath, Unusual Fatigue, Chills, Body Aches, Vomiting, Diarrhea, Nausea, Abdominal Pain, Loss of smell or taste.

All staff will be trained in recognizing symptoms.

Is Your Home



Facility & Sanitation

JCC Day Camp prides ourselves on the cleanliness of our camp. We have always employed a team of dedicated staff to clean camp throughout the day and after camp each day. We are taking the following additional steps to sanitize.

All common areas and tactile surfaces will be sanitized before camp each day.

Shared activity supplies and equipment will be cleaned before and after each use.

Bathrooms will be cleaned on a regular basis. There are newly installed touchless sensor faucets in bathroom areas.



Personal Responsibility

We will hold small group conversations with campers on precautions and behaviors to help keep campers safe and healthy. In a calm and reassuring manner, campers will be encouraged to ask questions and talk about how they are feeling. Colorful visuals and signs will be posted as reminders to follow the best practices for washing hands and social distancing in order to keep ourselves and others healthy and safe.

This is a good life lesson on how to take personal responsibility in caring for yourself and others.

- Washing hands. We will monitor and enforce hand washing. There are new touchless sensors which have been installed on all sinks.
- Hand sanitizer will be available in shelters, at activity areas and throughout the campground. All campers and staff will be required to use wash hands and/or use hand sanitizer before and after every activity.
- Campers will be reminded to protect themselves and others by following guidelines regarding Coughing, Sneezing & Not Touching your Face.
- Campers will not be required to social distance when they are in their fixed "family" group.
- Time will be spent on campers learning and understanding the proper etiquette on avoiding face to face "close" contact, high fiving, hugging and other similar forms of behavior.





Health Protocols

There are several important changes we have made regarding our health protocols.

Every individual (campers and staff) will have their temperature checked and will be screened for symptoms upon arrival at the campground.

Throughout the camp day, camp staff will observe campers for COVID -19 symptoms.

A person with a possible Covid-19 related symptom will be directed to the Quarantine area. The symptoms are: Fever or Feverish, Cough, Sore Throat, Shortness of Breath, Unusual Fatigue, Chills, Body Aches, Vomiting, Diarrhea, Nausea, Abdominal Pain, Loss of smell or taste. The registered nurse will evaluate the camper or staff member. The Health Center will have available PPE supplies for discretionary use. The nurse will immediately call the caregiver to share the camper's status in the quarantine area and discuss next steps.



Health Guidelines

If a camper or staff member tests positive for COVID-19?

The person with the positive test may return to camp after the following conditions are met:

- Must be 14 days after first symptom
- Fever free for 72 hours without the use of fever reduction medicine
- Improvement in respiratory symptoms (cough, shortness of breath, etc.)
- Provide a negative Covid-19 test result

If an individual in the “family” of a camper or staff in same “family” tests positive?

The individual is deemed a “close contact” to their family member and the camper/staff must stay home, practice social distancing and monitor for symptoms. Camper/staff must not come to camp for 14 days after exposure to the COVID – 19 positive individual. They must also provide a negative COVID – 19 result before returning to camp.

A member of camp who is not in the infected person’s “family” is considered a “casual/ proximate exposure.” Camp staff and campers will not be required to stay home if a camper or camp staff from another group tests positive for COVID -19.

You can also expect:

The case will be reported to the proper health authorities and all families and staff of the individual’s “family/group” will be notified.

All facilities that the individual came in contact with will be deep cleaned and disinfected as per the CDC guidelines.

If a camper misses camp due to being quarantined or potential exposure to a Covid-19 infected individual, they will receive a refund for the days of camp missed.

If a camper or staff member is suspected of COVID-19?

The camper or staff member suspected of COVID-19 will be able to return to camp when the following conditions are met:

72 hours fever free and 7 days from initial onset of symptoms OR
72 hours fever free and a negative test.



SAMPLE COVID-19 SCREENING QUESTIONS

1. I confirm that in the past 14 days, my child does not have any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19 including:
 - Cough
 - Chills
 - Muscle Pain
 - Diarrhea
 - Headache
 - Sore Throat
 - Loss of taste or smell
 - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
 - Repeated shaking with chills
 - Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit
2. I confirm that in the past 14 days my child has not had:
 - Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have COVID-19
 - Exposure to anyone currently waiting for COVID-19 test results or anyone who has been placed on quarantine for possible contact with COVID-19
 - A COVID-19 test for which I am awaiting results
 - A COVID-19 Positive Test result
 - Visited the following states: Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, Florida, North Carolina, South Carolina, Texas and Utah.

Forms - TIME SENSITIVE



HIGH-RISK CAMPERS

If your child is at higher risk for complications related to COVID-19, please consider additional precautionary measures. Consult your pediatrician to assess their risk and determine if attendance is acceptable.



FORM DEADLINES

Please make sure that ALL camper forms are completed before their first day of camp. There is a mandatory Camper Health History Form which is required for all staff and campers. [CLICK HERE TO DOWNLOAD THE FORM.](#)



LIABILITY WAIVER

A NEW Health Liability Waiver will be mandatory for all staff and campers to have on file. [CLICK HERE TO FILL OUT ONLINE.](#)



Program Schedule & Activities

Some things at Staten Island JCC Day Camp would not change even if we tried! You can let your child know that the SIJCC camp program still includes FUN as our tradition! At the core of each amazing activity is a talented group of specialists, whose drive and commitment brings the excitement, learning and fun. This is what creates our indelible memories!

Requirements:

- All campers and staff will handwash and/or sanitize before and after each activity period.
- The sanitation of equipment and supplies between uses will become a part of our routine; groups will not enter an area that has not been cleaned.
- Staff members/specialists will maintain social distancing with campers and other staff outside of their family.
- Commonly touched areas like benches, tables, surfaces, etc. will be cleaned after a group departs from the area.
- We will slightly restructure the timing of the periods throughout the day to allow for ten minutes between activities to optimize the cleaning of the activity areas and allow for families to handwash/sanitize.

A wide variety of activities will continue to be a part of a family/group's program. We are adding new and exciting specialist activities this season including: Woodworking, STEM Lego Robotics, Lacrosse, Cheerleading, Painting, Sports Galore, Games and Movement. These are in addition to our regular line-up of specialist activities including: arts and crafts, dance, nature, animals with Brian Wild, soccer, archery, basketball, and more.

Restricted Activities

Full contact activities like Jiu Jitsu, are prohibited at camp this summer.

Swim

We are pleased to announce that we will be offering swimming this summer. Each pool will be sub-divided into swimming pools/areas for each family and social distancing guidelines will be maintained within the pool.

Unfortunately, in order to follow CDC guidelines, we are not able to offer instructional swim this summer.

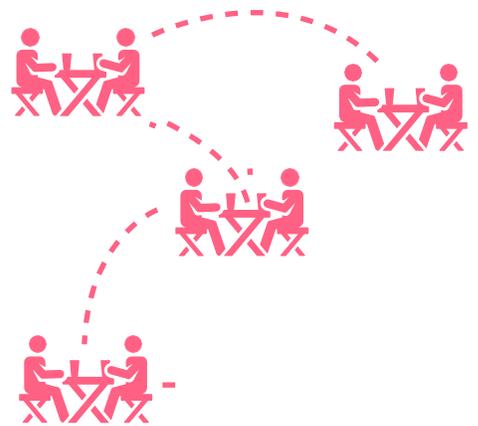
Locker Rooms

Camp swim periods have been redesigned to allow for a reduction of campers in the locker rooms at one time. Swim periods will be staggered to permit adequate spacing between groups changing. Locker room benches will be wiped down between groups. An aquatics liaison will be monitoring the locker rooms to ensure that safety protocols are maintained.



Lunch

- We will continue to collect and refrigerate cold lunches in separate bags designated for each camp group/family. Additionally, we will continue to offer campers the opportunity to purchase a daily hot lunch prepared by B and Y caterers, who are housed at the JCC. Please note, as in the past, these orders must be placed no less than one week in advance. Hot lunches will include only individually wrapped items in a separate bag provided to each camper.
- Hand washing and sanitizing of all campers and staff will occur prior to eating.
- Staggered lunch periods will limit the number of families eating during any period.
- Families will have assigned lunch tables that will be adequately spaced from other families/groups.



Snacks and Drinks

- SIJCC provides snacks and water to campers daily. Snack items will include a variety of fruit, chips, cookies, and a frozen snack on Fridays. Snacks will be in individually wrapped packages.
- Water is always available to campers. Campers may continue to bring non-disposable water bottles from home and use SIJCC water dispensers to replenish. These dispensers will be monitored and cleaned by staff prior to each usage.

Visitors

We will not be accepting visitors into the HKC campgrounds this summer. Therefore, there will be no prospective camper tours, parent visiting days or performances which parents attend. Only essential visitors will be permitted with prior arranged clearance from the camp director or health director.

- If you are picking up a sick child, you will be asked to drive in to the camp parking lot and stay in your vehicle. Your child will be escorted to you.
- Any essential visitors will be screened prior to being admitted to our property with a short series of health questions and have their temperature taken. Anyone with a temperature reading of 100.4°F or higher will be prohibited from entering the campground. They must wear a face covering and maintain social distancing from all campers and staff.



Traditions

JCC Day Camp is built on traditions that reward our campers and staff with the very best memories. We are working on adjusting these great experiences over the summer to work into the parameters/guidelines of the CDC and NYSDOH. Here are just a few special events you will enjoy with more to follow:

- Day of Caring and Sharing
- Israel Day
- Carnival Game Fundraiser
- Maccabi Games
- Shabbat Celebrations



Travel Program

Due to CDC and NYSDOH guidelines all off-site trips have been cancelled for summer 2020. Accordingly, our Teen Travel Camp program trips will be campground based.

We understand the disappointment that Teen Travel campers may be feeling as a result of this change. Nevertheless, we are committed to offering an exciting and fun camp experience for them. In addition to enjoying a palette of specialist offerings, Teen Travel campers will have their own shelter equipped with KanJam, Spikeball, Foot Golf, Bocce, outdoor bowling and much more! They will also have lots of fun special programs designed by their camp director, Josh Schwartz.



Car Arrival and Dismissal

A.M. ARRIVAL/DROP-OFF

CAMPERS IN ALL DIVISIONS WILL BE DROPPED OFF AND PICKED UP FROM THE HENRY KAUFMANN CAMPGROUNDS LOCATED AT 1131 MANOR ROAD.

To assist with an efficient drop-off system, we will be offering **staggered drop-off times** this summer as follows:

K'ton Ton and Shalom campers: 8:00 – 8:25

Chalutz, Maccabiah and Teen Travel campers: 8:30 – 8:55

If you have children in different time periods, we ask that you drop them off during the 8:00 – 8:25 period.

Your cooperation in following your scheduled time will make for a more effective carpool.

All vehicles will enter through the main entrance of Henry Kaufmann Campgrounds (HKC) closest to the traffic light on Manor Road. There will be a separate lane on Manor Road for camp carpool families to enter the HKC campsite. This lane, which will run along the edge of Manor Road (on the north side), will be created using traffic cones. The entrance to this JCC camp lane will be approximately 750 feet from the HKC entrance and will be prominently marked with signage. You will be directed by staff to drive your car along a specific designated line. **Please remember that parents must remain in the vehicle at all times.**

Have your child sit in the **BACK SEAT ONLY** of your vehicle so that your child can exit the vehicle and be on the side closest to our staff (our staff will open the back door for you). If you must have your child sit in the front passenger seat, **PLEASE DO NOT MOVE YOUR VEHICLE UNTIL YOUR CHILD HAS PASSED IN FRONT OF YOUR CAR.**

After your child/ren have exited the vehicle you will follow the other cars out of the Henry Kaufmann Campgrounds where our staff will help you depart the drop-off area. Please note that left turns out of the HKC parking lot are not permitted. All cars are required to make a right turn onto Manor Road upon exiting the HKC parking lot. For the safety of all do not make U-turns or speed on Manor Road. Please adhere to posted speed limits and if you need to make a U-turn do so in the JCC Bernikow building parking lot.



SPECIAL COVID – 19 AM CARPOOL PROCEDURES

Prior to AM drop off, you will be required to complete an online questionnaire asking whether your child(ren) is experiencing symptoms of Covid, or has recently been in close proximity with someone who is experiencing symptoms or tested positive for Covid.

When you arrive in the camp parking lot and have come to a complete stop you will be asked to show the results of the survey to the JCC staff member approaching your car. [The link to complete the survey is here.](#)

In brief, the AM screening protocol is as follows:

- A JCC staff member will meet your vehicle and request that you show a copy of the survey results discussed above.
- Afterwards, the staff member will proceed with a temperature check of campers using a touchless thermometer. If a child records a temperature of 100.4 F or higher, they will be prohibited from exiting the vehicle.
- Thereafter, a staff member wearing a face covering will escort the camper to their dedicated meeting location for their “family.”

Please note, all staff will go through the same health screening questions and temperature check before entering camp.

P.M. DISMISSAL/PICKUP

CAMPERS IN ALL DIVISIONS WILL BE DROPPED OFF AND PICKED UP FROM THE HENRY KAUFMANN CAMPGROUNDS LOCATED AT 1131 MANOR ROAD.

To assist with efficient end of day parent pick up, we will be assigning camp divisions a staggered window of time for pickup as follows:

K'ton Ton and Shalom: 3:30 – 3:55

Chalutz, Maccabiah and Teen Travel: 4:00 – 4:25

If you have children in different time periods, we ask that you let us know during which time period you plan to pick up your children.

All vehicles will line up in the Boy Scout Parking Lot which is located across the street from the JCC Bernikow building parking lot. There will be JCC staff in the parking lot to assist in



directing cars to their proper line-up location. **Please note that left turns are not permitted into the Boy Scouts parking lot.**

Once you are shown where to line-up by JCC staff, you will be assigned a number or word that you will share with the JCC staff member standing at the front gate of Henry Kaufmann Campgrounds (Only parents who can recite the number/word will be permitted to pick-up their children). This is to ensure that no one cuts the line thereby making things as fair as possible for our parents and campers.

Kton Ton and Shalom parents are asked to line up at the Boy Scout Parking Lot no earlier than 3:15 pm and no later than 3:45 pm. Chalutz, Maccabiah, and Teen Travel parents are asked to line up at the Boy Scout Parking Lot no earlier than 3:50 pm and no later than 4:15 pm.

Beginning at approximately **3:30 pm and continuing to 3:55 pm parents of Kton Ton and Shalom campers** will be directed by JCC staff from the Boy Scouts parking lot to Henry Kaufmann campgrounds. **PLEASE HAVE YOUR CARPOOL PASS HANGING FROM YOUR REAR VIEW MIRROR.**

Beginning at approximately **4:00 pm and continuing to 4:25 pm parents of Chalutz, Maccabiah and Teen Travel campers** will be directed by JCC staff from the Boy Scouts parking lot to Henry Kaufmann campgrounds. **PLEASE HAVE YOUR CARPOOL PASS HANGING FROM YOUR REAR VIEW MIRROR.**

Upon entering the Henry Kaufmann campgrounds parking lot you will be asked to share your assigned number/word and give your camper's name(s) to the JCC staff member who will call your child's name on the PA system. Thereafter you will move your vehicle up through the parking lot until you cannot go any further. At that time a JCC staff member will open the back door for your child, and after your child is seat belted, you will follow the vehicles out of Henry Kaufmann campgrounds exit way where our staff will help you depart the pick-up area. There are no left turns out of the parking lot.

If you are planning to have someone else other than a parent pick up your child, make sure they have a carpool pass and are listed on the authorized pick up form.



HALF DAY K'TON TON DISMISSAL

Cars will line up (parallel to the parked cars) closest to the main entrance of the Henry Kaufmann Campgrounds, near the traffic light on Manor Road. At approximately 1:00 pm the campgrounds gate will open, and cars will be led into the parking lot where the children will be waiting for pick-up.

Extended Hours

Early drop off or late pick up is referred to as our Extended Hours program. Campers registered for these programs will be assigned to an additional "extended hours" camp family following the same aforementioned procedures as their camp day family.

Rainy Days

We are fortunate to have plenty of covered areas on the campground. Large shelter areas with roofs and tents, are effective at preventing campers from getting wet during intermittent or unexpected rain at camp. They also are large enough to maintain social distancing guidelines.

If due to rain or other severe weather, it becomes unwise to remain at the campground, our campers will be brought to the JCC Bernikow building located at Manor Road. We will have emergency buses on hand to bring campers across the street. We will maintain social distancing guidelines on buses. Parents will be notified if this is to occur.

At the Bernikow building campers will remain with their families and will participate in group games and other activities with our camp specialists. Social distancing and cleaning rules will be followed.