



Family Handbook

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Welcome to Camp JORI!

Since our inception in 1937 as the summer program of the Jewish Orphanage of Rhode Island (JORI), campers have enjoyed summers in a nurturing, family-like environment here at the “Joyland of Rhode Island.” We understand that entrusting your child to our care is a significant decision, and we want to assure you that their safety, well-being, personal growth and enjoyment are our utmost priorities. Our team has been working tirelessly to prepare a diverse and enriching program that promises growth, camaraderie, and memories that will last a lifetime. This Family Handbook will provide you with the answers to many of the questions and resources to help prepare your child(ren) for camp.

Here are a few key points to help you and your child get ready for this incredible experience:

1. Packing Essentials:

Please refer to the packing list provided in this handbook to ensure your child has all the necessary items for a comfortable stay. Remember to label everything, and leave the electronics at home!

2. Health and Safety and Wellbeing

Our health center staff is well-equipped to handle health-related concerns. Please ensure that all necessary medical forms are completed and submitted before drop-off and information is thorough and up to date. We also have a Camper Care team dedicated to the mental, emotional, and social needs of our campers. The Camper Questionnaire form helps to set us up for success with your child. Information is kept confidential, and is vital to helping us give your child a successful experience at camp.

3. Communication:

While we encourage independence and immersion in the camp experience, we understand the importance of staying connected. During the camp session, your communication with your camper will be via postal mail. It is also an option to email letters to your child via the CampInTouch software. We will keep you updated with newsletters and photos throughout the summer.

I am available via email at bridget@campjori.com during the camp season as well as off-season. Our camp phone number is 401-783-7000. During the summer, our Administrator answers the phone during office hours. In the off-season, use extension 100 to reach me.

Returning and first-time families should review the information provided in this handbook. In response to many questions raised by families regarding procedures, policies, and resources, we update this manual annually.

Thank you for being a part of our community!

Bridget Connor

Camp JORI Director

Our Mission Statement

To provide a high quality overnight Jewish camping experience that is available to all families in a safe and supportive setting so that each Camp JORI camper will develop lifelong connections with the Jewish community.

Our Values

TACEO is our word for “taking care of each other,” and it’s a central value for our community. Our goal is for everyone to feel welcome and well cared for. In every moment of our daily interactions with each other, we have an opportunity to create a supportive, safe, and fun environment.

Overview

Camp JORI is a two-session camp, with multiple options, from “Jump Into JORI” to a full summer! The full schedule of starting dates, day camp and mini sessions can be found in our dates and rates section of the website.

Fees

Camp fees are to be paid in full by June 14th unless other prior arrangements have been made with the Bookkeeper or Administrator. Payment plans and scholarships are available. Please reach out as early as possible if you are in need of financial assistance.

Cancellations and Refunds

Should you need to cancel enrollment, the camp director must be informed **in writing**.

Please note these dates:

- 1) Cancellations Prior to March:** If enrollment is canceled by this date, 10% will be withheld as a service charge per camper. **In addition, camp will withhold a 3% convenience fee for all credit card transactions.**
- 2) Cancellations March 1st - April 15th** If enrollment is canceled by this date, there will be a 50% tuition Reimbursement. **In addition, camp will withhold a 3% convenience fee for all credit card transactions.**
- 3) Cancellations after April 15th** **No** Tuition Reimbursement or credit card reimbursements.
- 4)** There will be no refund if a child leaves or is withdrawn from camp, or is sent home before the end of the period for which he/she has registered due to any behavior of the child.
- 5)** Camp JORI reserves the right to cancel programs if they do not meet minimum enrollment criteria. Camp JORI uses its discretion of what may be in its best interest, including but not limited to Acts of God, natural disaster, fire, flood, pandemic, or other currently unforeseen or unusual activity or circumstance.
- 6)** If a camper leaves or is withdrawn from camp during the first 3 days of camp because of medical problems (and cannot return) 90% of fees will be refunded. A Physician's note will be necessary.
- 7)** A child who leaves camp due to COVID or a COVID related reason will not receive a refund.

No refunds will be made for campers who are sent home due to violations of the rules of camp or the Code of Conduct.

Cabin Assignments

Camp JORI campers are assigned to cabins based upon their **school grade** that they will be entering following the camping season. We accept requests made by families for campers to be housed together. Unfortunately, it is not always possible to accommodate all requests, but we do our best.

Camper groupings are made by the Leadership team. Sub groupings of large grade groups or combinations of grade groups in a single cabin are made based upon a combination of considerations including age, friends and special needs. Please communicate any special needs to the Director at least two months before the beginning of camp.

The Camp Director reserves the final decision in determining camper groups.

Health and Wellness

Medical Forms

Caring for your child is a serious business. Our goal is to provide a safe and healthy atmosphere for all of our campers. We hope that your child will not require medical attention while at camp. We have a healthcare team on duty at all times at camp and a physician on call. The hospital in Wakefield is only 15 minutes from our camp, as well as an Urgent Care facility. Medical examination forms must be **completed** no later than **May 1st**. All campers are required to have an examination by their child's physician prior to leaving for camp. We do accept the medical examination forms provided by your physician. Alternatively, a medical examination form is available and can be printed from your *CampInTouch* account. All physical examinations must take place within one year of the first date of the session your child will be attending.

Accurate and complete medical information is a must in order to properly care for your child. Please take extra time in completing and filling out your portion of the medical form. **If your child has an ongoing chronic illness or condition, please make note on the medical form and indicate your doctor's telephone number(s).** Please communicate in writing any strategies or treatments used at home or at your child's school to help your child, family or child's teachers to cope with this illness or condition. If you do not submit the required medical forms, your child will not be permitted to come to camp.

Should your child require medication while at camp, please furnish written instructions for all equipment such as nebulizers and medications, including over the counter medications. Instructions and medications should be placed in a sealed envelope with clear identification. Over the counter medications also require a doctor's note instructing when and how to administer the medication. Parents should give the sealed envelope to the camp nurse on the day of arrival. **Our medical staff will keep and administer all medication.** Medications which need refrigeration should also be noted. Any medication purchased for your child during camp will be billed to you directly.

Medical Phone Calls

In case of emergency, we will contact you as soon as possible via phone. Our healthcare staff will also consult you by phone if we feel your child needs out-of-camp healthcare for more routine concerns (i.e. ear infection, strep throat treatment, severe poison ivy, etc.). The phone numbers you provide on your child's health form will be utilized. Because of timing and schedule conflicts, we cannot promise that we will be successful in reaching you, but we will certainly make every effort to do so. If you have a voicemail, we will leave a message which briefly and tactfully describes the situation and requests you to call us.

We generally will **not** contact you if your child is seen in the health center for routine problems (skinned knee, common cold, bug bites, and headache) that do not require a physical referral. The decision to consult you in these situations is determined on a case-by-case basis by our camp nurse. If you wish to be called for any reason your child is seen by the nurse, please indicate this on the health forms.

If this notification policy does not meet your needs, please attach a letter to your child's health form which describes what you would like us to do as well as a phone call with the director prior to camp.

Health Insurance Card and Parent Authorization

A copy of both sides of your child's health insurance card must accompany their Parent's Authorization Form – available in your *CampInTouch* account. This is critical if a camper needs medical care. It is also necessary to sign the form in order to authorize us to seek medical care for your child if necessary.

Arriving in Good Health

If your child is not feeling well on opening day, please have them checked by a physician before bringing them to camp. It is much easier for a healthy child to settle into the camp community, and we do not want to introduce sickness into the camp population. Please call camp at (401) 783-7000 to let us know if your child cannot arrive at camp on opening day. We will welcome them and get them settled into camp right away as soon as they are recovered.

All camp residents will have a head lice check. If head lice are found, you will be asked to take your child home for treatment before returning to camp. To prevent this, we recommend that each child be checked by a professional or hair stylist in the days preceding camp.

Exposure to Contagious Illness

If your child has been exposed to a contagious illness, please keep them home until your doctor gives written permission to bring the child to camp. It is important that you notify Camp JORI if your child has been exposed to a communicable illness.

Dental

Children should arrive at camp with no dental and orthodontic requirements needed. If your child's braces break, we will make every effort to alleviate the immediate problem but may have to make arrangements for the camper to return home for an orthodontic repair.

Eyeglasses

Campers who wear eyeglasses or contact lenses should arrive at camp with an extra pair as a backup.

Asthma Inhalers

Campers who use rescue type inhalers are permitted to carry one with them. Camp JORI requires that a spare inhaler be sent to camp, which will be stored with our nurse.

Epi Pens

Epi pens are routinely kept in selected areas of camp (Health Center and/or Dining Hall). Please discuss with the nursing staff whether or not your child should also carry their epi pen with them at all times.

Medications

Medications (except for the above mentioned exceptions), including over the counter meds, are **NOT** allowed in the cabins. Medication in the cabins is grounds for immediate dismissal. Camp JORI requires that **ALL** medications be sent to camp in their **original** packaging with the camper's name clearly visible. No medication will be dispensed if the accompanying container has a label with any other name. At camper drop off, a nurse will go over all medication and briefly discuss anything pertaining to their health at camp.

Commonly used over-the-counter medications are available in the health center for infrequent use. There is no need to send medications such as Tylenol, Advil, Benadryl, or Robitussin. However, if a camper requires an over the counter medication on a daily basis, please send enough for the camper's residence at Camp JORI. This includes lactaid pills, allergy medicine and vitamins. It is important that any allergies to over-the-counter medication are noted on your child's **Health History** and **Examination Form**. A doctor's note is also required for these medications and supplements to be administered at camp.

Medication Vacations

Camp is often assumed to be a less structured, stress-free environment, and as a result parents are sometimes encouraged by prescribing physicians to allow their campers to take a "vacation" from their regular, school year dose of medication during the summer. While summer camp provides an environment for relaxed fun, it can also be stressful. There are many different challenges campers face: new social situations, changes in routine, very structured experiences, and less structured experiences. For these reasons we strongly encourage you to maintain your child's routine medication regimen. If you are considering a "medical vacation or holiday" from medication for your child, please give the camp director a call to discuss the potential impact on your child's experience. This will help us to ensure that we are prepared to work with your child in the most positive way. If you intend to give your child a break from those medications, we ask that you take them off those medications for a minimum of one month prior to camp. This will help you gauge your child's reaction to being off the medications long before they arrive at camp.

Overnight Camp Arrival and Packing for Camp

You will receive an email prior to drop off and pick up dates, providing detailed information and instructions. Upon arrival at camp, families will be directed to park in our main lot before going to the check-in station on the Basketball Court. You will meet staff, complete any paperwork if necessary and finalize any remaining financial obligations. You will also be directed to the nursing station if necessary to drop off medications. A verbal medical screening will occur. Each child's hair will also be checked for lice at this time. Families will then return to their cars and drive to their child's cabin to unload luggage and meet counselors. Parents may **not** unpack their child's belongings. Unpacking with the counselor is a perfect opportunity for counselors and campers to become acquainted and begin their bonding time. At this time families will say goodbye and parents will exit the camp grounds.

Directions to Camp:

From the North:

95 North to route 4 south

Take exit 5B to merge onto RI 102 N towards Exeter

Take a left onto Route 2 South.

Take a left onto New Biscuit City Road and continue to the end.

Take a right onto Biscuit City Road and continue to the end.

Take a left onto Worden's Pond Road. Camp JORI is on the left side of the road.

From the South:

Take Route 95 North to route 138 east (exit 3).

Turn onto Route 110 South (Ministerial Road)

Turn right onto Worden's Pond Road for about 2 miles. Camp JORI is on the right.

Trunks and Luggage

We encourage families to use durable luggage when packing their campers, either a low profile trunk or duffel – all luggage will be stored during their stay at camp. Many families send a **set of plastic drawers** to camp to augment the storage space provided for each camper. We recommend packing your child's belongings in plastic drawers to avoid excessive luggage.

Shipping Luggage

If it is necessary to ship your camper's luggage, please contact the camp office to confirm delivery and pickup dates.

Bedding

Twin size sheets and blankets will fit on our mattresses. Campers should not use sleeping bags in lieu of sheets and blankets. Please make sure to send a change of sheets for your camper to use while theirs are in the laundry or soiled. Many campers like an extra light blanket for the end of their bed or to use if sitting outdoors.

Footwear policies

In our ongoing efforts to maintain a high standard of safety, socks and sneakers are to be worn during the program day for most programs by all campers and staff. Flip-flops, high heels, wedge shoes, sandals and sneakers without socks are not allowed due to safety reasons. Campers should bring one pair of water shoes or sandals with straps to be worn at the waterfront. Crocs and sandals are permitted during non athletic activities and evening activities. Campers and staff are never permitted to walk with bare feet in or out of the cabin. Flip-flops are suggested for the shower and in the cabin.

Policy Regarding Inappropriate Clothing

Because of the values we try to promote at Camp JORI, we require each camper to dress in a way that reflects respect for the environment of camp and which meets appropriate standards of good taste, cleanliness, neatness and modesty. Dress at camp is for comfort and activity, not for show. Exposed midriffs, low-cut shirts, and inappropriately tight shirts are not permitted. Bra straps and underwear may not be visible, and sports bras may not be worn as tops.

Camp JORI staff will use discretion in determining if an article of clothing or outfit is inappropriate, and reserves the right to ask a child to change if necessary. Please remember that campers are outdoors and wearing short sleeves instead of thin straps adds an additional layer of sun protection. Advertisements for alcohol, cigarettes or illegal items and inappropriate slogans on clothing will not be tolerated. Such clothing items should not be sent to camp. Anyone wearing such clothing will be sent to their cabin to change.

LIT Trip Attire

LITs will be required to wear Camp JORI T-shirts when they leave camp. One camp shirt will be provided for all campers and the cost is included in the camp fee. Additional camp shirts can be purchased for \$20 each if supplies are available.

Banquet Attire

Camp JORI enjoys a banquet on the last night of each Trip for its overnight campers. Many campers like to dress up for this event in nicer attire. Examples include button down shirts (some campers enjoy wearing Hawaiian shirts), dresses, etc.

Shabbat Attire (FRIDAY PM)

It is a Camp JORI tradition to wear blue and white attire on Friday evenings to celebrate Shabbat. Many campers prefer to dress up a bit for Shabbat, so this can include blue and white dresses, button down shirts, etc. Please pack multiple Shabbat outfits for your child, as weather can vary and many campers enjoy having multiple options.

Portable Chairs, Sports Equipment & Fans

Campers are encouraged to bring portable camping chairs to camp. They may be used around the cabin areas and at outdoor programs. Campers are welcome to bring personal sports equipment to camp, but it is not required. Please be sure that a camper is able to be responsible for their own equipment and leave valuable belongings at home. Any fans, flashlights or other powered devices must be battery operated. Campers have very limited access to electrical connections and outlets. Extension cords are prohibited in cabins.

Pets

Campers are not able to bring pets of any kind to camp. Cute photos of pets are welcome!

Clothing and Laundry

Please pack according to the suggested packing list. It is designed to cover the needs of our campers in any weather. It is not necessary to send more clothing than the recommended amount. It is difficult for a young camper to manage many extra belongings. Laundry will be sent out to our service weekly. It is returned in two days. Campers should pack enough clothes to last **12 days**. If a camper needs emergency laundry, the camp will do it for them and we will bill the family. Otherwise, the laundry fee is included in your camp tuition.

As laundry is handled by a commercial facility, special washing instructions cannot be monitored. Check clothing tags to avoid shrinkage and ruined garments. PLEASE PERMANENTLY LABEL EVERYTHING SO THAT YOUR CHILD GETS THEIR CLOTHING BACK FROM THE LAUNDRY. Bring simple clothing. T-shirts and old clothing whenever possible. DO NOT SEND EXPENSIVE CLOTHING. Camp is a wonderful place to wear out old clothes.

See next page for recommended packing list.

Packing List

CLOTHING: ☐ 14 t-shirts ☐ 12 pairs of shorts ☐ 2 long sleeved shirts ☐ 2-3 pairs of pants ☐ 2-3 sweatshirts ☐ 16 underpants (bras as necessary) ☐ 16 pairs socks ☐ 1 pair long socks for sock wrestling ☐ 3 pairs of pajamas (1 should be warm) ☐ 2 white t-shirts (to be painted or dyed) ☐ blue & white clothing (required for Shabbat) ☐ 4 bathing suits ☐ raincoat or poncho ☐ hat ☐ banquet outfit ☐ bathrobe if desired TOILETRIES: ☐ shower caddy ☐ toothbrush/toothpaste ☐ deodorant ☐ shampoo/conditioner ☐ soap ☐ other personal care products ☐ sunscreen ☐ insect repellent ☐ brush/comb	FOOTWEAR: ☐ 2 pairs of sneakers ☐ 1 pair of waterproof rain shoes ☐ 1 pair of flip flops (for cabin only) ☐ 1 pair of water shoes or sandals with backs (optional) MISCELLANEOUS: ☐ flashlight/extra batteries/book light ☐ stationery/envelopes/pens/address list or labels ☐ stamps ☐ books/games/quiet time activities ☐ water bottle (labeled with name) ☐ bottle brush ☐ swim goggles BEDDING & TOWELS: ☐ pillow ☐ 2 sets of twin size sheets ☐ blankets (many children prefer a comforter, gets cool at night) ☐ 3-4 shower towels ☐ 4 pool towels ☐ 2 laundry bags ☐ portable folding camping chair ☐ many campers enjoy using a set of plastic drawers for storage
PLEASE LABEL EVERYTHING! Leave electronics and valuables at home!	

DAY CAMP PACKING LIST-Pack all items below in a bag to leave at camp for the week.

***Please do not bring any electronics or valuables to camp.**

***Please label EVERYTHING! :)**

☐ 2 bathing suits ☐ 2 towels ☐ 1 sweatshirt ☐ 1 change of clothing (including socks and underwear) ☐ hat ☐ water shoes	☐ sunscreen ☐ insect repellent ☐ water bottle (labeled with name)
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Permission to Participate

Parent/Guardian grants camper permission to participate in all camp activities, excursions and special outings. Parents/Guardians understand that accidents and injuries may occur in the natural course of participation. If there is a specific event that you wish to exclude your child from, please put this request in writing.

Supervision

We share a mutual concern for your child's growth and happiness. This is why we maintain adequate supervision for all campers. Within day camp groups (ages 5-8), we will have at least one staff member for every 6 campers. For overnight camp, which starts at 8 years old, we will have at least 1 staff member per 6 campers. For campers in groups with ages 9-14, we will have at least 1 staff member for every 8 campers. For our oldest campers, 15-16 year olds, we have 1 staff per 10 campers.

Technology Policy

No devices that have screens and/or can connect to the internet will be permitted at camp. These devices include but are not limited to cell phones, e-readers, tablets, laptop computers, handheld games, and iPods/mp3 players with screens.

If a camper requires a computer or tablet for therapy or tutoring sessions, this technology (and its charger!) should be labeled with your child's name and given to the Administrator on drop off day. It will be stored securely in the visitor center and provided only for the designated appointment times.

Cameras may be brought to camp, but must be used responsibly and respectfully. If a camper is unable to use their camera in a way that respects the privacy of others, the camera will be confiscated and returned at the end of the session.

Camp JORI strives to instill a strong sense of values, and dishonesty regarding the existence of prohibited devices in camp is counter to these efforts. Please support us in ensuring that all campers have a safe and device-free environment at camp.

Food and Beverages

Our chef prepares all meals in accordance with kosher dietary laws. At Camp JORI, we serve a wide variety of well-balanced and delicious meals. All meals include a complete salad or breakfast bar. Snack times include a variety of fruits and other treats.

We do not allow food to be brought into camp. Please **do not send** food, treats, candy or snacks in packages to your campers. It will be confiscated and discarded. **No food** is permitted in the cabins. It attracts bugs and critters- and no one likes those in the cabin! It can also be dangerous to people with allergies.

Gum chewing is not allowed at Camp JORI. It is our desire to keep the grounds and facilities clean and

gum free. Please do not send gum to camp.

Money at Camp

Darom and Tzafon campers are not permitted to bring money to camp. Every Camp JORI camper has snack time known as “Candy Call” daily. There is no canteen at camp. LIT campers will have trips and should bring \$25 per week for spending money. Please bring this trip money ready to go in envelopes (1 envelope per week) labeled with your camper’s name. The trip money will be kept in a secure location and distributed to campers on the day of the field trip.

Valuable Belongings

Please do not send valuable items to camp. Campers must take care of their own belongings. Do not bring expensive equipment, including but not limited to, electronic equipment, jewelry or other expensive personal items to camp. Such things can be damaged by the heat, humidity and dust. Occasionally, such items may be lost or stolen. CAMP JORI, ITS AGENTS AND EMPLOYEES ARE NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY DAMAGE OR LOSS OF SUCH ITEMS.

Taking Campers out of Camp

We strongly **discourage** taking children out of camp during the session unless it is an absolute necessity such as a doctor’s appointment or an extreme circumstance or emergency. Taking children out of camp is disruptive to our camp community. Making the decision to come to camp means making a commitment to remain in camp. In circumstances where it has been approved by the Director, pick up or drop-off is generally restricted to the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Parents/ Guardians should not drive or walk to the cabin area, but must report to the office (Visitor Center), where their child must be signed in and out of camp. Due to varying family situations, campers may only be picked up by the parent who registered them unless other instructions have been communicated to us in writing by the registering parent. A photo ID will be required from anyone picking up a camper.

Please understand that camp programs continue during your child’s absence and we cannot disclose our calendar under any circumstances out of fairness to other campers.

Health Center

The Camp JORI Health Center is staffed 24-hours daily. While health care is available throughout the day, there is a regularly scheduled health call each day. Health call is the time when a camper will receive a careful evaluation of their possible illness. If a camper or staff member is hurt or ill at other times during the day or evening, campers may be brought to the health center. If your child remains in the health center overnight, or requires a visit to the doctor, a parent will be called. Camper medications are distributed at mealtimes and bedtime.

Gratuities

Camp JORI staff work hard to provide a fun, safe and nurturing experience for Camp JORI campers. Families are welcome to extend gratuities to the counselor staff. Many families give a suggested

amount of \$25.00-\$50.00 dollars to each counselor for each session.

Communication with your Camper

Our trained staff is able to help your camper adjust to being away from home. Over the years we have found that when parents show up at camp or call their campers on the phone (or even send a letter stating how terribly much they miss their camper) they make the camper feel uncomfortable, guilty, and homesick. Other campers, whose parents cannot visit or call, may become jealous and homesick as well. Therefore, parents are not allowed to visit during the camp session or to phone campers. Campers are also not allowed to call home or friends. One exception is when your camper has a birthday at camp. We will arrange a time for your camper to call home on their birthday.

Correspondence

Parents are encouraged to write letters to their child. We have found that upbeat, encouraging letters are best. Mail is delivered to camp Monday through Saturday, and distributed to campers Sunday through Friday. Mail should be addressed as follows:

Camper Name & Cabin
c/o Camp JORI
1065 Wordens Pond Road
Wakefield, RI 02879

Campers are expected to write letters home on **Tuesdays and Thursdays**. It is very helpful to provide pre-addressed postcards, envelopes or labels to assist them. Camp JORI staff check for address legibility before sending out camper letters. If you do not send your camper with stamps, your account will be charged for them.

Camp JORI uses a one-way email service provided by CampInTouch. Parents may login to their CampInTouch accounts to send emails to their children. This is the same location where parents can view and purchase photos which are posted during the week. Kids love to get messages from family at mail call. We print emails sent through CampInTouch each day at 1pm (except Saturday) and deliver each afternoon. Emails sent after 1pm will be delivered the next afternoon. You can expect to receive weekly Shabbat emails from the Director with general updates about camp every Friday.

Packages

Campers may receive packages at camp. **PLEASE DO NOT SEND FOOD CARE PACKAGES** to campers. Food is forbidden to be brought into or sent to camp. This includes drinks, candy, snacks and chewing gum. Powdered mixes for drinks are also prohibited. Such packages will be discarded. In place of food, please send books, games and puzzles that can be shared with cabin mates. Campers are required to open their packages in the presence of a staff member. Food and prohibited items will be discarded and then the package will be given to the camper.

DO NOT SEND FIREWORKS! Since camp session runs over July 4th, parents sometimes send fireworks with or to their children. We ask that you please refrain from doing this as it is against Rhode Island State law and there is a possibility that someone could be injured by the fireworks. Thank you for your cooperation.

Photos

Our staff Photography team captures the day to day activities at camp. All photos are reviewed on a daily basis and posted to the CampInTouch parent portal for your viewing pleasure. Favorite photos can be saved and purchased through CampInTouch.

Select photos and video from each summer may be used in Camp JORI marketing materials. If you do not want your child's image used in marketing, please email info@campjori.com.

Phone Calls

Campers are not able to receive phone calls while at camp. Every household sending a child for camp for the first time will receive a call from a Senior Staff member within the first 48 to 72 hours of your child's stay. Returning campers' households will receive a call only if necessary. Please feel free to phone our camp office at (401)783-7000 to inquire about your child.

We have a large camp family and limited phone and computer service available. We do not permit campers to use the phone or the computer. Furthermore, campers are **not** permitted to bring cell phones to camp. If a camper brings a cell phone, it will be confiscated and not returned until after camp. If you have a concern or need any information, please call the office at (401) 783-7000 between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday thru Thursday and 9 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. on Friday. Please be advised that we do not answer the phone on Shabbat. However, we do periodically check for emergency messages. In any message, please be sure to indicate your name, name of camper, nature of your concern and your telephone number. Your message will be delivered to the proper personnel and you will be contacted as soon as possible.

Safety and Security at Camp

The safety of our campers is of utmost importance to us. Staff are trained extensively in our Emergency Action Plans both during pre-camp staff training week and throughout the summer. We have a security guard onsite 24/7 when camp is in session. We also work closely with local law enforcement.

Our dedication to safety and to creating a community of respect also includes the responsibility of campers to adhere to our Camper Code of Conduct to keep themselves and others safe at camp, and to respect camp property and the property of others.

Weapons

Weapons are not permitted on camp grounds. "Weapons" include but are not limited to explosives, projectiles, guns, and knives of any kind. High-powered water guns have caused injuries including injuries to eyes. As a result, we consider such toys to be weapons. All weapons will be confiscated for the duration of camp.

Fire Extinguishers

Fire extinguishers on camp are never to be used as a toy or prank. The cost of recharging any unnecessary fire extinguisher discharges will be assessed against the person responsible.

Damage to Cabin/Cabin Contents

Campers are expected to be respectful of camp property, and vandalism is prohibited. The cost of repairing any unnecessary damage to cabins will be assessed against the person responsible. In the event the individual cannot be determined, the cost will be divided among the entire cabin and their counselors and parents will be notified and billed.

Dismissal from Camp

The following infractions, including but not limited to those named, may lead to immediate dismissal from camp.

- leaving camp at any time without permission
- leaving a bunk during the night without proper permission
- sexual harassment, bullying, physical/mental abuse
- having prescription or nonprescription drugs in the cabin without prior permission
- possessing and/or using illegal drugs or paraphernalia associated with drug use
- possession of matches, candles, any tobacco or nicotine product, or alcoholic beverages
- possession of vapor devices, e-cigarette paraphernalia, e-liquid or similar
- possession of any weapon or weapon like object

The dismissal of any camper from camp is at the sole discretion of the Director. **Dismissal will be immediate and will occur without a refund of camp tuition.** Dismissed campers are not permitted to return to camp the following season. After the following season, the camper may be permitted to return, at the discretion of the Director.

Donations

We always welcome program or camp-related equipment that is in good condition. Donations may be used as a tax deduction and small items can be picked up by Camp JORI. Please call if you have anything you would like to donate. Items such as Stereo equipment, Audio/Video equipment, Sports Equipment, Arts and Crafts supplies, Board Games, etc., are especially welcome. Coffee mugs are also welcome - we have an eclectic collection of coffee mugs for counselor use in our Dining Hall.