Countdown to Ramah Day Camp: How do we create community at camp?



Shalom Ramah Day Camp Families,

The community we build at Ramah Day Camp each summer is infused with our four core pillars: Joy, Growth, Inclusion, and Connection. We keep these values in mind while planning all aspects of the summer and ask all members of the Ramah community to embrace them.

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Sign the Camper B'rit (Behavior Contract)

The Ramah Day Camp Summer 2024 *B'rit* (Covenant) lays out basic behavioral expectations for the summer which are tied to camp's rich Jewish environment and educational vision. These expectations are based on our four core values, which are deeply grounded in Jewish tradition:

- Connection Kehillah k'doshah: Camp is a holy community.
- Inclusion B'tzelem Elohim: We are all created in the image of God.
- **Joy** *Bishvili nivra ha'olam*: Each of us is so important that we could say that the entire universe was created for our sake.
- **Growth** *Talmud torah k'neged kulam*: Learning is of paramount importance, of equal value to following all other commandments.

We ask that you read the full *B'rit* in the Forms section of your <u>CampMinder</u> <u>account</u> or in your Campanion app, have a conversation about the content of the *B'rit* with your camper, and then sign the *B'rit*, so we may partner together to build our holy Ramah community this summer.

Complete Your Friendship Request Form

Please complete the friendship request form in your <u>CampMinder account</u> or in your Campanion app. Note: Friendship requests will not be considered until the Camper Care Intake form is complete.

Our goal is to include a diverse group of campers in each group and to integrate new and returning campers. We make every effort to place campers with at least one of their requests.

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<u>Our team</u> remains available and accessible to you. If you have any questions, concerns or topics you would like to discuss – we encourage you

to schedule a one-on-one conversation with a staff member here. Thank you for your continued partnership!

Shalom,



Talia Derman Director

Dina Greenberg Assistant Director

Save the Date - Park Playdates!

Sunday, May 19 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm - Pre-K-1st Grades 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm - 2nd-8th Grades Location TBD Watch your email for more info coming soon!

Additional Reminders

Countdown to Camp Informational Webinar for New and Returning Parents	New Parent Zoom Orientation (Parents/Guardians Only)	Camper Orientation Sunday, June 16 at Ramah Day Camp
		10:00-11:00 am: New
Wednesday, April 17 7:00 - 7:45 pm CDT <u>Register Here</u>	Wednesday, May 15 7:30-8:15 pm CDT <u>Register Here</u>	Campers, Pre-K & K Campers, and Families 11:00 am - 12:00 pm: All Campers and Families
Form Due March 31	Download	New Camper Calls
Camper Care Intake	the <u>Campanion App</u>	
Form		If you have not already
Form Forms Due May 1 All Health Forms Transportation Friendship Request Camper B'rit Text Message Opt In	Use your regular CampMinder credentials to log in. You'll be able to complete all your forms right in the app!	If you have not already done so, please <u>click</u> <u>this link to schedule</u> <u>your new camper call</u> . Note: These calls are for parents of new campers only.

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