## Countdown to Ramah Day Camp: How does my child get to camp?



#### Shalom Ramah Day Camp Families,

You may be wondering, "How does my camper get to camp?" The majority of our campers ride the bus, but we also have parent pick up and drop off options. Please read below for all the transportation information and be sure to complete your transportation form!

## **Bus Options**

Our campers love the camp bus rides! Counselors ride along with the campers and keep everyone busy with games and songs. The camp fun starts as soon as the campers step foot on the bus, and doesn't end until they're back home!



We offer both door-to-door bus service and centralized group bus stops based on your address. Bus schedules will be emailed the week before your child's session starts.

#### Door to Door Bus Service

Door-to-door transportation is provided for families that live within Ramah Day Camp's bus boundaries and are accessible by school bus. Boundaries include many of the northern Chicago suburbs and are subject to change. Campers will not be able to ride any bus other than their assigned bus.

## **Centralized Group Stops**

- Chicago one bus stop is located east of Clark Street and another is located west of Clark Street. Exact locations will be determined in the months leading up to camp.
- **Skokie/Evanston** the bus stop is at Ezra Habonim Niles Township Jewish Congregation on Dempster Street in Skokie
- **Oak Park/River Forest** this bus stop is at West Suburban Temple Har Zion in River Forest.

## Parent Pick Up and Drop Off

Parents are welcome to drop off and pick up their children at Ramah Day Camp. If they normally ride a bus and you will be driving them instead, please let us know ahead of time.



## **Transportation Form**

The transportation form is due March 31. Please make every effort to complete this form on time so we can plan the buses and transportation staff accordingly. Log in to the Campanion app or your CampMinder account to complete the form.

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## **Bus Timing Notifications**

We send text messages to keep you updated on bus arrival times. In order to receive text messages, you must complete the text message opt in form in your CampMinder account or on the Campanion app. Please also confirm that your cell phone number is correct in your CampMinder account.



### **Countdown to Camp Informational Webinar**

Wednesday, April 17 7:00 - 7:45 pm CDT **Register Here** 

New and veteran camp families are invited to join us for a virtual meeting on Wednesday, April 17 to get all your questions answered about preparing for an amazing summer!

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## **Ramah Day Camp Orientations**

**New Parent Orientation** Wednesday, May 15 Zoom Webinar (Parents/Guardians Only) 7:30-8:15 pm CDT Register Here

**Camper Orientation** Sunday, June 16 at Ramah Day Camp 10:00-11:00 am: New Campers, Pre-K & K Campers, and Families 11:00 am - 12:00 pm: All Campers and Families

For all those questions that are unique to new parents - join us for this session so you can get ready for camp too!

If you have any transportation questions, please reach out to our Transportation Coordinator Laura Baruch Sherman at bus@ramahday.com.

Our team 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,

