

*Youngstown Area Jewish Federation*

**Camp JCC  
Parent Handbook**

505 Gypsy Lane  
Youngstown, Ohio 44504  
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## **CAMP JCC OF YOUNGSTOWN PHILOSOPHY**

Camp JCC at the Jewish Community Center (JCC) of Youngstown strives to help each child grow as an individual and also to become a positive influence and participant in our society. We emphasize the development of self-confidence and a positive self-image in a safe environment as well as supporting the self-esteem and self-confidence of others. An integral part of the program is building a foundation for a positive identity of self and society. This is done through teaching respect for self and others. Diversity is a part of our society and cultural awareness is taught as a basis for understanding self and others.

It is the purpose of the camp to provide a warm and caring atmosphere throughout the summer. Judaic values and concepts will be incorporated into many of the activities to provide learning and new experiences.

### **GENERAL CAMP INFORMATION**

**Camp hours:** 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.  
**Days of operation:** Monday – Friday  
**Staff: Child ratios:** 1:10  
**Senior Counselors:** At least one in each group, considered the lead counselor, 18+ years old  
**Junior Counselors:** At least 16 years old, at least 2 years older than the campers they are supervising  
**Camp Office Hours:** 7:45 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.  
**Camp Holidays:** There will be no camp on Wednesday, July 4<sup>th</sup>

In the event of severe weather, camp may close. If weather should become bad during the day we will remain open as long as possible. If we close, we will make every attempt to communicate this with you through email as soon as possible. It will be announced on local TV (WKBN, WYTV, and WFMJ) and radio stations (WKBN, WHOT, Y103).

If you have any questions about camp billing, call the Bursar at 330-746-3250, ext. 195 or email us at [bursar@jewishyoungstown.org](mailto:bursar@jewishyoungstown.org). For all other questions regarding camp contact the Camp Director in the camp office at 330-746-3250 Ext.152 or [eblau@jewishyoungstown.org](mailto:eblau@jewishyoungstown.org).

### **SUPERVISION OF CAMPERS**

A major responsibility of the staff is to ensure the health and safety of each camper entrusted in our care. Under no circumstances will a child be left unsupervised.

Senior (lead) counselors and junior counselors are all CPR/First Aid certified, and have received training in management of communicable diseases. All counselors have completed the required staff training mandated by the ODJFS and have completed the required background and drug checks.

### **REGISTRATION PROCEDURES AND ENROLLEMENT**

All registration and payments for camp are done online. To register for camp, follow these steps:

STEP 1: Visit [www.jccyoungstown.org](http://www.jccyoungstown.org)

STEP 2: Click **CAMP** on the JCC Homepage

STEP 3: Click **REGISTER NOW** to begin the enrollment process

STEP 4: Complete enrollment process by selecting desired camp weeks and filling out the requested information in each step.

To complete registration, you must pay a \$75 registration fee that goes towards your camp fees, and either select the pay in full option or one of the automatic payment options allowing you to make monthly payments on the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month or the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month.

A child is considered to be enrolled in camp only after:

- Completion of ODJFS form 01234 Child Enrollment and Health Information
- Completion of Agreement Information Form
- Camper and guardian have completed and turned in the Behavior Expectation Contract to the Camp Director prior to the camper's first day of camp
- Completion of ODJFS form 01236 for a camper with a condition or diagnosis that requires specific care and/or intervention by day camp staff
- Payment of registration fee and set up of payment plan

Any change to a camper's health information must be communicated to the office immediately and in writing so that the current information is always on file. The ODJFS form 01234 Child Enrollment and Health information form must be updated every 12 months.

### **LICENSING INFORMATION**

The facility is licensed to operate by the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services. This license is posted in the Director's office for review. The toll-free number for licensing is 1-866-635-3748 and may be used to report a suspected violation of the licensing law or administrative rules. The licensing law and rules governing day camps are available for review at the facility upon request. The licensing compliance report for the current year is available in the office for your review.

### **CHILD ABUSE REPORTING MANDATE**

The administrator and each employee of the facility is required, under Section 2151.421 of the Ohio Revised Code, ORC to report their suspicions of child abuse or child neglect to the Mahoning County Children's Services Bureau at (330) 783-0411.

### **OPEN DOOR POLICY**

The custodial parent or guardian of a camper enrolled in Camp JCC is permitted unlimited access to the camp during its hours of operation for the purpose of evaluating the program or contacting their child. Upon entering the premises, the custodial parent or guardian shall notify the Director of his/her presence prior to interacting with any group of campers. Counselors want to be able to focus on your camper; therefore, parents or guardians are asked to make appointments when it is necessary to engage in any lengthy conversations. We also encourage you to call the Camp Director during camp hours to discuss any concerns.

Please feel free to bring concerns up when they occur. Staff fully realizes that you trust us with your campers and we want our relationship to be a good one.

### **PROGRAM GOALS AND OBJECTIVES**

The primary goal of Camp JCC is to help children learn respect for self, others, and their environment in a fun setting that will expose children to various experiences. We will accomplish this through multiple activities such as but not limited to:

1. Activities that promote cultural awareness
2. Group activities that encourage working as a team
3. Nature and conservation programs
4. Specialty activities such as educational field trips
5. Regular weekly activities such as recreational athletics, aquatic lessons and arts and crafts

## **DAILY SCHEDULE at JCC MAIN CAMPUS**

**(Mon –Thurs and Fridays if weather prevents going to Logan)**

**505 Gypsy Lane, Youngstown, OH 44504**

**(SAMPLE PLAN)**

8:30 a.m.: Camper Drop-Off  
9:00 – 9:15: Flag and Songs  
9:30 – 10:00: Group Time  
10:00 – 10:30: Activity Rotation #1 (i.e. Sports or Games)  
10:30 – 11:00: Activity Rotation #2 (i.e. Cooking or Music)  
11:00 – 11:30: Activity Rotation #3 (i.e. Arts and Crafts or Nature)  
11:30 – 12 p.m.: Transition Time (Wash hands for lunch, get lunches from classrooms, etc.)  
12:00 – 12:30 p.m.: Lunch Time  
12:30 – 1:00: Playtime in Noah’s Park  
1:15 – 1:30: Change for Swimming  
1:45 – 2:45: Swimming (Lessons M & TH and Recreational Swim T & F)  
3:00 – 3:15: Change from Swimming  
3:15 – 3:30: Popsicles and Camper of the Day  
3:30 p.m.: Pick-Up

## **DAILY SCHEDULE at JCC LOGAN CAMPUS**

**(Every Friday, weather permitting)**

**3245 Logan Way, Youngstown, OH 44505**

**Phone: 330-759-1060**

**(SAMPLE PLAN)**

8:30 a.m.: Camper Drop-Off at Logan, AM Care campers arrive on bus from JCC Main Campus  
9:00 – 9:15: Flag and Songs  
9:30 – 10:00: Group Time  
10:00 – 11:00: Activity Rotation  
11:00 – 12:00 p.m.: Free Swim  
12:00 – 1:00 p.m.: Lunch Time  
1:00 – 2:30: Free Swim and group activities  
2:30 – 3:00: Change from Swimming  
3:15 – 3:30: Popsicles and Camper of the Day  
3:30 p.m.: Camper Pick-Up at Logan, PM Care campers get on bus to go back to the JCC Main Campus

## **BEHAVIOR MANAGEMENT POLICY/DISENROLLMENT**

Guidelines for behavior at Camp JCC reflect our philosophy of providing a caring atmosphere for the children in which they are encouraged in positive ways to be responsible for their own behavior. The staff will set limits and rules which the children are able to understand and are appropriate to their level of development. All behavior guidelines will be fair, consistently applied and will be reinforced regularly. There will be no physical punishment or verbal abuse by staff members. Time out or removal of privileges may be used in extreme cases. If there is a need for additional discipline, a meeting may be requested with the parents to work out a behavior plan. Camp JCC has a No Tolerance Policy for physical violence, profanity, or bullying. All families and children will sign a Behavior Expectation

contract. This contract explains what falls under the No Tolerance Policy and outlines the course of discipline by Camp JCC should the policy be violated:

1. **1<sup>st</sup> offense, child will be immediately removed from their group and miss the remainder of the activity**
2. **2<sup>nd</sup> offense, child will be immediately removed from their group and sent home for the day (No refund will be given for time missed)**
3. **3<sup>rd</sup> offense, child will be suspended for the remainder of the week and reviewed for potential disenrollment from Camp JCC (No refund will be given for time missed)**

Our policy is to accept all children including those with disabilities. However, JCC staff members are not certified to work with every type of disability, therefore Camp JCC has the right to assess the level of care necessary for each child.

## **LUNCH and FOOD REQUIREMENTS**

Camp JCC does not provide meals or snacks to campers. The only food we provide is a popsicle at flag time before dismissal. Campers are expected to come to camp with a packed lunch. The JCC no longer maintains strict kosher guidelines throughout the facility. Families may now bring meat (**with the exception of any pork or shellfish products**). In addition, meat and dairy products may also be combined. However, The JCC's main kitchen, Adult Lounge and outside grill will continue to be maintained as strictly kosher areas. No food may be brought into these spaces without prior JCC staff approval nor can any food be cooked in these areas without proper supervision. When Camp JCC is providing the food for an event, we will still follow all existing kosher guidelines. All lunches must be 'cold' lunches meaning they will not need to be heated. Please remember to pack a drink for your child. Campers are not permitted to purchase snacks or drinks at the JCC vending machines. Food may NOT be shared with other campers due to potential food allergies. **Refrigeration will not be provided so please pack cold packs if you prefer, in order to help keep your child's lunch cold.** Please have the child's name prominently visible on all lunch containers. The JCC will keep a minimal food supply for children whose lunches are lost or have become inedible.

## **CAMPER'S BIRTHDAY GOODIES**

If you would like to send goodies for a camper's birthday, please notify the Camp JCC Office. Remember that the food **MUST** be store bought due to food allergies.

## **MEALS FOR FIELDTRIPS**

Unless the Camp Director has instructed otherwise, campers will be required to bring their lunch with them in a **brown paper bag on field trip days.** This is in the interest of time as we want to make sure our campers get the most out of the few hours they have at each field trip location. Please do not send your camper on a field trip with a regular lunch box as we want to eliminate the chance of losing or leaving a lunch box behind. If we do permit lunch or food to be purchased, we will let you know ahead of time. Campers will be permitted to order off menus at any facilities at their own discretion. If you are actively concerned about what your child eats while away, please see the Camp JCC Director to work out arrangements.

## **EMERGENCY PROCEDURES**

Camp JCC has devised several procedures to follow in the event that an emergency would occur while a camper is in our care. In the event of a fire or tornado, staff would follow written instructions provided by the JCC. These instructions describe emergency evacuation routes and the procedures to be followed in order to assure that campers arrive at their designated spots and are all accounted for. Should we need to evacuate due to fire, weather conditions, the loss of power, heat or water, our emergency destination is Akiva Academy. A sign will be posted on the front door of the JCC indicating that we have been evacuated and the location where you can pick up your camper. Parents will be contacted as soon as possible to come to pick up their camper. If a parent cannot be reached, we will contact the emergency contacts as listed on your camper's enrollment information.

There is always at least one staff member present that has received training in First Aid, Communicable Diseases Recognition, Child Abuse Prevention and Recognition, and CPR. In the case of a minor accident/injury, staff will administer basic first aid and TLC. If the injury is more serious, first aid would be administered and the parents would be contacted immediately to assist in deciding upon an appropriate course of action. If any injury is life threatening, the EMS will be contacted, parents will be notified, and a staff member will accompany the camper to the hospital with all available health records. Staff may not transport campers in their vehicles. Only parents or EMS will transport.

An incident/injury report will be completed, and given to the person picking up the camper on the day of the incident/injury. The parent/guardian will be notified immediately by phone if any of the following occur: The camper has an illness, accident, or injury which requires first aid, the camper receives a bump or blow to the head, the child has to be transported by emergency vehicle, or an unusual or unexpected event occurs which jeopardizes the safety of the camper. If a camper requires emergency transportation, the report will be available within twenty-four hours after the incident occurs.

## **SAFETY PROCEDURES**

All Camp JCC staff is responsible for the campers safety at all times. Campers will be assigned to a group and supervised directly by a Senior Counselor for that group during all activities. No camper shall be left alone or unsupervised for any reason. Only approved staff including Senior Counselors, Activity Specialists, Junior Counselors, or the Director will have supervision responsibilities for campers. All persons responsible for supervision of campers will have access to a cell phone at all times. Campers are responsible for staying with their groups at all times. If a camper becomes separated from the group, the group will stop and stay where they are. The Director will be informed and a search will be initiated for the child. JCC Managerial Staff will be notified and help in the search for the camper.

## **SECURITY**

The Jewish Community Center has security officers on campus during all normal business hours. This means that there is an off duty Police Officer on security duty at all times that campers are at the JCC for camp. In addition, our Security Coordinator spends each day outside with us during lunch and playground time, as well as monitoring activities throughout the day alongside our staff to ensure the safety of our campers.

# **DROP OFF/PICK UP PROCEDURES: JCC MAIN CAMPUS**

**(Mon –Thurs, and Fridays if weather prevents going to Logan)**

Camp JCC campers are to be dropped off between 8:30 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. and picked up at 3:30 p.m.

## **Camp JCC Drop Off/Pick Up Procedures and Location (map available on page 13):**

If you are driving down Gypsy Lane, going toward Northside Hospital, the drop off/pick up location can be reached by driving past the front of the JCC, turning onto Goleta and then making a right onto Granada Ave. Proceed down Granada Ave. ¼ mile and enter the parking lot on your right. If you are coming from 7-11, go down Gypsy towards Belmont, take a right on Belmont and then a left on Granada Ave. Proceed down Granada Ave. ¼ of a mile and enter the parking lot on your left.

You will see Camp JCC Staff waiting to greet your camper starting at 8:30am. **For your camper's safety, if you arrive earlier than 8:30am, you must wait until a Camp JCC Staff person is outside to greet your camper and able to mark the time of the camper's arrival. Do NOT leave your camper until a staff member is there.** Staff will assist children from cars (2-3 cars at a time). Do not hold up traffic. If you need to park for any reason, please pull off to the side into the parking lot. Staff will stay at this location until 9:00am and no later.

At 3:30pm, a Camp JCC Staff member will be at the same location for pick up. Campers will be waiting at the flagpole by the playground. Staff at the drop off site will call down the camper's name to the staff at the flagpole through walkie-talkie or cell phone as their parent/guardian arrives. **Please be patient as we call your camper.** To ensure everyone's safety, we call each camper one at a time as we see their parent/guardian arrive. We also have the right to check for proper identification from anyone who is there to pick a camper up which may slightly delay pick up. Please use carpools for your convenience and indicate your carpools by putting their names on your camper's designated pick up list. If you know your camper is going home with someone who is not on their approved pick up list, please let the camp office know by emailing or writing a note that gives them permission to be picked up by this person.

**Late Campers:** If you need to drop off your camper after 9:00am, bring them to the JCC front desk and they will notify the Camp Director. A camp staff member will then come get the camper and accompany them to the proper location. A late camper **MUST** wait for a counselor to come pick them up.

## **Rainy Day Drop Off/Pick Up Location**

On rainy days all campers must be dropped off or picked up at the Akiva Academy doors using the entrance located in the back of the JCC. Drive past the front entrance of the JCC and pull around down the driveway where Noah's Park playground is. Camp JCC staff will be ready at the doors.

## **AM/PM Care Drop Off/Pick Up Requirements**

AM/PM Care opens at 6:45 a.m. and closes at 6:00 p.m. each day. **Your camper must be pre-registered in AM/PM Care and on the attendance list.** If your camper is not registered for PM care and is not picked up by 3:30 p.m., they will be taken to PM Care and you will be charged the appropriate rate for the week for care. If a camper in PM Care is not picked up by 6:00 p.m., an additional \$20 late pick up fee will be charged. These fees must be paid before your camper can participate in any further sessions. Drop off for AM/PM Care in the morning is past the front desk, through the double blue doors, and down the stairs in the ELC wing. Pick up in the

afternoon will either be in the same room or from the playground. The front desk will not page your child for pick up, you must go pick them up and sign them out with a Camp JCC staff member.

### **Drop Off List**

For their protection, campers will **ONLY** be released to individuals specified on the camper pick up list, or if you have given us written permission for them to be picked up by an approved person. You can add people to your approved pick up list at any time through your online account. Individuals must have a photo ID when picking up campers.

### **Custody Agreements**

If there is a custody agreement that affects camper pick up/ drop off or emergency situations, we must have a copy of the agreement on file in the camp office so we can release the child to the proper individual.

## **DROP OFF/PICK UP PROCEDURES: JCC LOGAN CAMPUS** **(Fridays, weather permitting)**

Every Friday, Camp JCC campers will spend the day at the JCC Logan Campus. **Campers are to be dropped off directly at the JCC Logan Campus during normal camp drop-off and pick-up times: drop-off at 8:30 a.m. and pick-up at 3:30 p.m.**

**IMPORTANT:** The only exception to this will be AM/PM Care campers. AM campers will still be dropped off at the JCC Main Campus and bussed to Logan at 8:30am. PM campers will be bussed back to the JCC Main Campus at 3:15 pm for pick up starting at 3:30pm.

**INCLEMENT WEATHER:** If there is rain or inclement weather in the forecast for that Friday, we will email you and text the number you have provided during registration before camp hours to let you know if we are going to cancel our day at Logan and stay at the JCC Main Campus instead.

All normal drop-off and pick up procedures listed above will apply to the JCC Logan Campus.

## **FIELD TRIP SAFETY AND PROCEDURES**

All campers must be dropped off by the designated time for departure on field trip days. Buses will leave promptly to ensure our on time arrival. If you are late and miss the bus, **you may drive your camper to the field trip location or keep your camper home.** If you bring your camper to the field trip location, you will then be responsible for notifying the Camp JCC Director that your child is at the location. If there is an admission fee you may need to pay these fees for yourself and your camper since all entrance fees for the group are paid for either beforehand or upon arrival. This cost will not be reimbursed. If you choose to keep your camper at home, you will not be reimbursed for the missed day.

Occasionally a scheduled field trip must be rescheduled or changed due to weather or other incidents out of the control of Camp JCC. If this happens, we will have an alternate field trip arranged (i.e. Movie Day at a local movie theatre) or a theme day at the JCC.

All campers **MUST** wear their Camp JCC t-shirt on field trip days to make them easily identifiable as a JCC Camper. If your child should forget or lose their shirt, one will be provided. If you do not return the extra shirt you will be charged a \$10 fee.



The Camp JCC staff will follow the standards for licensed child care centers:

### **Guidelines for Field Trips:**

- Carry a list of all camper names
- Carry Child Health and Enrollment Form and Medical Plan copies for all children and staff members who are on the field trip
- Carry a First Aid Kit
- Carry the JCC phone number (330) 746-3250
- Carry the address and phone number of the field trip destination
- Bring snacks and lunches, in a cooler if needed
- Staff should be enthusiastically involved in activities during field trip
- Children will **NEVER BE LEFT UNATTENDED**
- Each staff member will be assigned a specific number of children to watch on the field trip, not to exceed the 1:10 ratio
- When leaving and arriving at a destination, staff must conduct a head count as well as additional headcounts through the day
- Staff will report any special needs or problems to the Camp JCC Director
- Staff will review the rules of appropriate and inappropriate behavior before leaving the JCC
- Staff will review safety rules including:
  - If a child is separated from the group, they are to immediately find an adult that works for the field trip location or a security/ police officer and tell them they are separated from their group.
  - When campers go to the restroom, a counselor will remain outside the restroom the entire time. Campers will be instructed to yell for their counselor if anyone approaches them inappropriately while in the restroom.
  - Everyone must remain seated at all times while the bus is in motion.
- One staff member will be at the front of the group and one at the rear at all times.

### **ILLNESS POLICY**

All staff is trained to recognize and manage communicable diseases. The staff will observe campers and be able to determine if a camper has any type of communicable illness.

When a camper shows signs or symptoms of illness, the Camp JCC Director will immediately notify the parent or guardian of the camper's condition.

Any camper with the following symptoms will be immediately isolated and removed from their group by a parent or guardian. No reimbursements will be made for days missed due to illness:

- a. A temperature of 101 degrees F
- b. Temperature of 100 degrees F or more, in combination with any other signs of illness.
- c. Severe coughing, causing the child to become red or blue in the face or to make a whooping sound
- d. Difficult or rapid breathing
- e. Yellowish skin or eyes
- f. Redness of the eye, obvious discharge, matted eyelashes, burning, itching (child may not return until discharge is gone or clear, and they have been seen by a physician)
- g. Diarrhea (Two or more abnormally loose stools within a 24 hour period. This may be waived with a physician's documentation that a child is on antibiotics that may cause loose stools)
- h. Untreated infected skin patches, unusual spots or rashes (child may not return until seen by a physician)

- i. Unusually dark urine and/or gray or white stool
- j. Stiff neck with an elevated temperature
- k. Evidence of untreated lice, scabies or other parasitic infestation
- l. Vomiting
- m. Sore throat or difficulty swallowing
- n. Other symptoms per the Camp JCC Director's discretion

Campers may be re-admitted to Camp JCC in the following ways as determined by the Director:

- a. The camper is symptom free for 24 hours
  - Camper must not have a temperature for 24 hours **WITHOUT** medication before they may return
  - Camper must not have had a loose stool for 24 hours before they return
  - Camper may not return until discharge from eye is clear or gone, regardless of physicians recommendations
  - Camper must have proof of seeing a doctor if they were sent home with a rash or suspected pink-eye
  - A note from the camper's physician stating:
    - The camper is free from any communicable disease
    - The date the camper was seen
    - Physician contact information for questions by the Summer Camp
    - Statement of diagnosis

Campers who are not well enough to resume all scheduled activities **should be kept home!**

The staff will follow the same health policies as the children and will not report to work with any of the above symptoms.

Campers do not need to be immunized to attend our program. However, in the event of a disease outbreak we will ask campers without an immunization against the disease to not attend.

### **MEDICATION POLICY**

Medication will only be administered if the following conditions are met:

- An ODJFS 01236 Child Medical/Physical Care Plan for Child Care is completed by the parent.
- Medication is in its original container with prescription label still attached or a copy of the prescription label is provided.
- The label specifies the appropriate dosage based on the child's weight or age.

If a camper has any chronic illness (asthma, diabetes, etc.) or a modified diet, a Child Medical Physical Care Plan must be filled out by the parent explaining any procedures to follow.

If you want your camper to apply sunscreen, bug spray, or ointments, you must have the camper's full name on the bottle, in a ziplock bag (also with their name on it). You must also provide a written statement that the camper can self-apply the product. We expect campers to come with sunscreen and bug spray already applied in the morning but counselors will re-apply with approved sunscreen provided by Camp JCC if needed throughout the day.

### **ADD OR DROP FEES/CANCELLATIONS**

Camp fees are determined each year and are subject to change yearly. Sessions must be paid in full or you **MUST** be enrolled in an automatic payment plan before the first day of camp, including any specialty fees and AM/PM Care fees. If there is a missed payment or declined payment, your camper

cannot attend camp until this payment is made. There will be no refunds given should your camper not be allowed to attend camp due to a missed or declined payment.

No refund for partial sessions will be given. You must sign up for the session dates as determined in the Camp JCC brochure. You cannot mix sessions, i.e. coming 2 days of one week and 3 days of a second.

If you should need to cancel, add, or change choices of a session, notice must be given to the Camp JCC Director **IN WRITING ONE WEEK BEFORE** the session starts. No changes will be accepted after a session has begun. No refunds will be given for any session after this time. No refund will be honored if written notice is not received by the deadline stated. Sessions have limited space available and changes or additions will only be made based on availability.

If a camper is going to be absent for any reason, you are expected to notify the camp office. If a camper is absent for two days and no call is received, every attempt will be made to contact the parent/guardian to find out why the camper is absent. You are responsible for fees regardless of a camper's attendance.

**If a camper is dismissed from Camp JCC due to a violation of the Expected Behavior Contract, no refund will be given.**

## **SWIMMING**

All campers should be prepared for swimming four times a week (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday). On certain Wednesdays, for theme days or fieldtrips, campers will also swim. We will let you know beforehand if your camper needs to bring a bathing suit with them on a Wednesday.

All campers will participate in swimming instruction and recreational swim. Campers will have time to change out of their play clothes and into their bathing suits before swim time. They will then change back into their play clothes after swim time has finished. Please provide a plastic bag for wet suits and towels.

The staff-child ratio will be maintained while children are participating in swimming or wading activities. A lifeguard will also be on duty at all times when children are in the water.

The pool safety rules will be strictly followed. The child's swimming abilities will be determined during their lesson time with the WSI (Water Safety Instructors) before a child is allowed to swim.

Once their swimming abilities are determined they will be given a red, yellow, or green band that tells the staff, lifeguards, and campers what parts of the pool they are permitted to swim in. Red bands indicate the camper will remain in the shallow end, yellow bands indicate the camper can swim to the middle of the pool but not the deep end, and campers with green bands can swim in any part of the pool. These colored bands will also indicate which instructional swim group your camper will be placed in.

**If your child is not swimming on a certain day, you must provide a written note with an explanation.** If a note is not provided, your camper will be expected to swim. If a camper does not have a swimsuit, Camp JCC staff will attempt to contact their parent/guardian to see if they can bring a swimsuit. If they are not able to, your camper will sit in the bleachers in the pool area during swim time.

## **WHAT TO WEAR**

We encourage campers not to wear "good clothes" to camp. A simple outfit of shorts and a shirt is fine. Secure, closed toe athletic shoes are required. **Sandals, Crocs, and hard or black soled shoes are not allowed.** In order to minimize loss, we do not encourage campers to leave extra clothes at camp. Remember to label all clothing and shoes, socks, towels, lunchboxes etc. Camp JCC is **NOT** responsible for the loss of any personal items. Campers will store their belongings in the room designated for his/her group. Lost and Found items will be placed in a box in the camp office. Items that are not picked up within two weeks will be donated to Goodwill.

## **ELECTRONIC/MULTIMEDIA EQUIPMENT AND** **PERSONAL ITEMS**

Camp JCC is a time to experience nature, fun and activities with peers, and to gain a respect for self and others. We want to encourage these interactions **WITHOUT** electronic or multimedia equipment. No electronics or multimedia items are to be brought to camp. If items of this nature are brought to camp including but not limited to cell phones, handheld games or tablets, they will be collected by a staff member, labeled and held in the camp office until the end of the day. Campers are not permitted to bring personal items from home such as soccer balls, Pokemon cards, stuffed animals, etc. This is to ensure that campers are actively participating in all scheduled activities.

## **CONTACTING CAMP**

All calls to Camp JCC go through our main telephone number (330) 746-3250. Due to the nature of camp, staff is not always available to take calls. However, your calls are important to us so we will make every effort to return your call within 24 hours. **If your call is urgent, please make sure to call the front desk and they will contact the Camp Director immediately.**

# MAPS of JCC MAIN CAMPUS AND JCC LOGAN CAMPUS

## JCC Main Campus – 505 Gypsy Lane, Youngstown, OH 44504



## JCC Logan Campus - 3245 Logan Way, Youngstown, OH 44505

