



CYJ MIDWEST FAMILY CAMP 2010 FAQ'S

What is Family Camp?

Family camp is a weekend spent at camp with the whole family. The goals of the weekend are to have fun, get a taste of what camp is all about, meet new friends and maybe even see some old friends. You might even consider CYJ for your children in the future!

What will we do over the weekend?

At Family Camp, we will create a relaxing Shabbat atmosphere while providing various activities for the whole family. We will have water activities, sports, programs for all ages, including a medurah (campfire), among many, many other fun activities for all ages.

What are the accommodations like?

CYJ Midwest wants our families to feel part of the community. Therefore, guests will be live in camper bunks that will be divided by gender. All bunks have bathrooms attached. If a family decides to stay off camp, CYJ Midwest can suggest some accommodations at the guest's expense.

What are CYJ Midwest's facilities like?

CYJ Midwest has a beautiful beachfront with waterskiing, tubing, sailing, boating and swimming. We have a 40 foot climbing wall, 300 foot zip line, sports fields, an air conditioned recreation hall, digital photography studio, and arts & crafts building. There is a fully kosher kitchen in our dining hall.

What are the religious practices during the weekend?

At CYJ Midwest, we respect Shabbat and keep kashrut. We will be planning many activities during the weekend, and all will be Shabbat friendly when necessary.

What will my kids do during the weekend?

This weekend is intended to be time spent together with your family. Families will be staying together during the nights and most of the activities will be geared towards participating with the whole family together. For select time periods during the weekend, we will have babysitting available for the younger kids, and some activities may be planned for the adults and children separately. All age groups are welcome, so don't hesitate to bring the whole family!

What if my kids have never gone to CYJ Midwest?

This weekend is open to all Jewish families; we welcome families who are new to CYJ Midwest and anyone who wants to spend a fun weekend with their family at camp! You never know, maybe at the end of the weekend, your child will want to become a CYJ camper next summer!

Will transportation be provided?

No, families will be responsible for their own travel to CYJ Midwest. We can help connect families who would like to carpool to and from CYJ Midwest.

What is the cost for the weekend?

\$150/adult; \$75/children 8 and older. This includes all food, lodging, programming expenses and staff.



What should I bring for the weekend?

Guests will need to bring their own twin sheet set, pillow, blanket and towel. If you are interested in swimming, please bring a swimsuit and towel for the beach. In order to participate on the climbing wall, each guest will need a pair of closed toe tennis shoes. The weekend is casual, but please bring a nice Shabbat outfit.

Where do I send my registration forms?

Please send your completed registration forms to CYJ Midwest, Attn: Family Camp, 4711 Golf Rd, Suite 600, Skokie, IL 60076. Once we receive your application, you will receive an email confirmation.

Questions?

Contact Robin Anderson, Associate Director

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CYJ MIDWEST 2010 FAMILY CAMP SCHEDULE

(TENTATIVE – SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

Friday, August 13, 2010

3:00-5:00 pm	Arrival & Registration
3:30-6:30 pm	Activities available include: **Camp Tour by Camp Staff **Shabbat decorations in Chadar Ochel (dining hall) **Optional Free Swim ** Kibud (Snack) offered in Beit Am
6:30 pm	Mifkad Erev (Flag Lowering)/Shabbat Pictures Welcome to Family Camp!
7:00 pm	Shabbat Services led by Camp Staff/Candle Lighting
7:45 pm	Shabbat Dinner & Shira (song) session
8:45 pm	Hatzagah (Special Oneg)/Who's Line Is It Anyway Babysitters for Younger Children
10:00 pm	Late Night Educational Session for Adults

Saturday, August 14, 2010

8:30-9:30 am	Kibud (Breakfast) in Chadar Ochel
9:45 am	T'Fillot (Services)/Parsha Players (Keshet)
10:45 am	Kiddush (Chadar Ochel)
11:00 am	Optional Session #1 **Softball Game (continuing into session #2) **Nature Walk with Teva (Nature) specialist **Low Ropes Games
11:50 am	**Softball Game **Drama Games **Gaga Tournament
12:45 pm	Aruchat Tzohorayim/Shira Session
1:45 pm	Menucha (Rest Hour)
3:00 pm	Family Game Time in Beit Am (Recreation Hall) Ping Pong Tournament at Beach
4:00 pm	Optional Free Swim at Beach
5:00 pm	Shower Time Kibud (Snack) at Chadar Ochel
6:30 pm	Shabbat B'chira (Optional Mandatories)



7:30 pm	Aruchat Erev (Dinner)
8:45 pm	Shira Shketa (Quiet Singing)
9:16 pm	Havdallah
9:30 pm	Rikud (Israeli Dance) Session on Tennis Courts led by Lauren Gallagher
10:30 pm	Optional Adult Program (Educational/Social)

Sunday, August 15, 2010

8:30 am	Mifkad Boker (Flag Raising)
8:45 am	Alternative T'fillot (Arts, Music, Nature)
9:30 am	Aruchat Boker (Breakfast)
10:15-12:45 pm	Activities Offered Ropes Course, Waterskiing/Tubing, Arts & Crafts, Sports, Etc
12:45 pm	Aruchat Tzohorayim (Lunch)
1:30 pm	Menucha (Rest Hour)
2:30 pm	Chug (Choose one)
4:00 pm	Kibud in Keshet
4:30 pm	Free Swim/Family Games in Beit Am
5:30 pm	TBA
6:45 pm	Mifkad Erev (Flag Lowering)
7:00 pm	Aruchat Erev (Dinner)
8:00 pm	Carnival!
9:30 pm	Medurah (Campfire)

Monday, August 16, 2010

7:45 am	Mifkad Boker (Flag Raising)
8:00 am	Optional T'fillot (YJ Service)
8:30 am	Aruchat Boker (Breakfast)
9:30 am	Sikkum (Sum up weekend) with Noah
10:00 am	Register for 2011/Questions/Clean Up
10:45 am	L'hitraot (Departure)