



# CGI Teen Camp Parents Handbook Summer 2010 -5770

## CAMP LOCATION

The **Teen Camp** is located at Cong. Ezra Habonim, 2095 Landwehr Rd. in Northbrook and at the Field School.

## DATES AND TIMES

Teen Camp begins on Monday, July 5 and runs through Friday, August 6th. The DAY Camp is followed by the 8 day overnight August 11-18.

## STAFF

The Teen Camp Staff are: Shneur Notik, Zevi Greenwald, Moshe Lifshitz, and Shneur Simpson, they are very experienced with this age group, and are dedicated to giving the boys the time of their lives!

## IMPORTANT NUMBERS

- Camp on-site telephone number: (847) 770-6770
- Camp Administration Office: (847) 485-9770
- CGI cellular phones:
  - (847) 345-6406 (Rabbi Schneur Scheiman)
  - (847) 452-4609 (Shneur Zalman Notik)
- E-mail: [info@ganisraelchicago.com](mailto:info@ganisraelchicago.com)
- Website: [www.ganisraelchicago.com](http://www.ganisraelchicago.com)

## TUITION AND FEES

Tuition fees cover all activities, and trips.

**All tuition fees must be paid in full prior to July 2**, as we are a non-profit organization and depend on this money for operation. Your child will not be allowed in camp without the full balance paid.

## JEWISH PRIDE – ACTION CLASSES

Each morning we start our day with a short prayer session followed by our Jewish Pride – Action Classes. Our campers are imbued with a deep sense of pride in their Jewish heritage. During our daily Action Classes campers explore through motivational hands-on activities, stories, games and group discussions, the beauty and value of our tradition. Campers look forward to this short activity, and will come home with a small keepsake as a reminder of all the things they have learned.

## **DRESS CODE**

All campers must wear their camp T-shirts on trip days, this is extremely important for safety reasons. Boys are encouraged to wear a kippa or baseball cap.

## **SWIMMING**

On swim days, please send a swimsuit and towel in a tote or plastic bag with your child/ren. Please have all bathing suits and towels marked with permanent ink or labels. We will be swimming at a private pool at the Decoma Day Camp outdoor pool together with the Day Camp.

## **LUNCH**

You need to provide your child with a clearly labeled lunch with food that will remain fresh at room temperature. Lunches must be either dairy or parve (neutral). Parve food includes vegetables, fruit, fish and eggs. No meat products are to be sent to camp. Camp will provide all children with plenty of water to drink and a snack. It is advisable to send extra drinks or canteens for trip days or very hot days.

## **SPECIAL CONDITIONS AND MEDICATION**

If your child has any special challenges, conditions or allergies (i.e. social, behavioral, food) please bring it to our attention. This knowledge will help us care for him/her and maximizing his/her camp experience, as we address each individual's needs properly and eliminate unnecessary difficulties.

The camp has a staff member dedicated to overseeing and administering medication, and dealing with health-related concerns. All medication to be administered during camp hours must be clearly marked with camper's name and be provided in its original container. A separate note containing dosage instruction and parent's signature must be sent as well. Please call Rabbi Scheiman at the camp on site telephone number to discuss your child's health situation.

## **LATE NIGHTS**

In order to give our campers the maximum "dose" of fun and thrill some of the field trips will be to locations outside of the Chicago land area, in Illinois, Wisconsin and Indiana. On the late night dates "pick up" will be later than usual at one designated location. We will send out notes prior to each trip with exact times and locations. Please refer to the trip calendar for the late night dates; the first late night is July 6th.

## **TRANSPORTATION**

If you have requested transportation from Chicago, Skokie or the Northern suburbs Rabbi Scheiman will provide you with all necessary information before camp. Please note that there will be no transportation following "late nights", parents are required to pick up their children from the designated Drop-off location.

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Our beautifully designed website will provide a full range of information before and during the summer. Check regularly for schedule updates and our newsletter. Find your son's picture in our enhanced photo galleries. As we are always looking to improve, any suggestions to better our website are welcome.