



2018 Form Packet

Dear Parents,

Welcome to **Camp J's** Early Childhood Summer Camp! We have fantastic programs planned for this summer. Our excellent staff will help our campers enjoy all their camp activities in a nurturing and safe environment. The staff is trained to help campers to feel good about themselves and provide opportunities for personal growth. Due to the recreational nature of camp, some camp groups will have mixed ages. Also, there will be days when groups are combined to accommodate staff schedules and camper enrollments. We look forward to having your child join us as they make lifelong friendships and lasting memories.

To ensure an organized summer for you, your child, and our staff, please read all the information in the attached Camp Manual. Please complete the Emergency Authorization Form in the link <https://form.jotform.us/rosenjcc/parentpacket> and bring in your child's immunization and physical forms to Jill Schwartz, prior to the first day your child begin camp (new campers only).

We are here for you and your children; please don't hesitate to let us know how we may further enhance your summer camp experience at the Rosen JCC.

Sincerely,

Dr. Phyllis Bochman, Director of Early Childhood Services.

Amanda Davis, Early Childhood Learning Center Coordinator.

Jill Schwartz, Early Childhood Learning Center Office Manager.

Xiomara Sanchez, Early Childhood Learning Center Camp Coordinator and Curriculum Specialist.



Weekly Camp Activities:

1-Friendship Circle: Come and enjoy our friendship circle every morning from 9:10-9:30 a.m. The children will enjoy dancing and singing famous camp songs with their teachers.

2-Splash Zone: Waterplay will be three days a week. There will be 3 different areas set for different age groups.

3-P.E.: Coach Kirk will be conducting fun activities and games in the gym for campers to enjoy once a week.

4-Music: The children will enjoy dancing, singing, and playing instruments with our music teacher Ms. Marylin.

5- Theme Room: The theme room will be set up with 3 different areas: Art, Sensory, and Science. Ms. Sanchez will be providing fun activities related to our camp themes.

6-Summer Cooking: The children will prepare fun snacks related to our weekly themes. They will practice using kitchen utensils and decorating their own snacks.

7- Musical Theater: The children will be participating in performing art activities with Ms. Samantha all while preparing for our Camp Show at the end of the summer.

8- Shabbat: Shabbat will be every Friday from 9:15-9:45 a.m. The children will enjoy shabbat as well as theme dress-up day. Dress according to the "Theme" of that day!

*Classroom daily schedule's will be provided at the Camp Open House or on the first day of Camp for your child.

Camp Themes

Week of June 4: **Camp**

Week of June 11: **The Mighty Jungle**

Week of June 25: **Outer Space**

Week of June 18: **Lost in the Desert**

Week of July 2: **Party in the USA**

Week of July 9: **Swampland**

Week of July 16: **Across the 7 Seas**

Week of July 23: **Tropical Paradise**

Week of July 30: **The Outback**

Week of August 4: **Favorite Stories**

Theme Dress-Up Days

Friday, June 8: **Crazy Socks Day**

Friday, June 15: **Favorite Animal Day**

Friday, June 22: **Sunglasses Day**

Friday, June 29: **Pajama Day**

Friday, July 6: **Red, White and Blue Day**

Friday, July 13: **Hat Day**

Friday, July 20: **Pirates/Princess Day**

Friday, July 27: **Hawaiian Day**

Friday, August 3: **Stripes Day**

Friday, August 10: **Tie Dye Da**

What to Bring to Camp Each Day:

**Please clearly label the outside of your child's carry bag or backpack.
This helps ensure that everything you send to camp returns home.**

1. A canvas bag for wet/dry items, bathing suit, towel, and an extra T-shirt to wear during water play if needed. Please send in a pair of water shoes for water play in addition to closed shoes for all other activities. **Water shoes should either be jellies or water slippers (NO FLIP-FLOPS OR CROCS ARE ALLOWED!!) Include a plastic grocery bag for wet clothing.
2. Children must have a complete change of clothing in a labeled ziplock bag to be kept at camp.
3. Children must wear a disposable swim diaper for water play.
4. All items should be LABELED. Please label clearly the outside of your child's bag.
Sharpie permanent markers work great.
5. Please write your child's full name in permanent marker on the edge of his/her towel.
6. On your child's deesiganted water play days, please dress them in a bathing suit under their clothes.
7. **All campers will receive a Camp T-shirt to wear on Wednesdays for Spirit Day.**
8. Be sure to send your child in clothing that is manageable, so that your child may dress and undress with ease. Help your child be independent, think about buttons, snaps, and belts. Children should wear closed toe shoes, suitable for outdoor play. Please do not send your child wearing dangling jewelry, platform sandals or slide-on shoes.

Emergency Authorization Forms & Physical & Immunization Forms:

1. Emergency Authorization forms need to be filled out for all campers.
2. Please bring in state-issued Physical and Immunization forms. These forms can be obtained at your physician's office

**ALL FORMS MUST BE TURNED IN PRIOR TO YOUR CHILDS FIRST DAY OF CAMP.
(New campers only)**

Sunscreen and Insect Repellent:

1. If you would like your child to use sunscreen, apply it before arrival each morning. We will reapply the sunscreen during the day, if necessary. Please complete the Authorization for Medication Card, giving us permission to apply sunscreen. Please bring in labeled sunscreen for reapplying.
2. For those campers who are sensitive to insect bites, apply insect repellent at home. Insect repellent should not be sent to camp with the children. If your child is prone to allergic reactions from insect bites, notify the ECLC Office Manager, Jill Schwartz. .

Lost and Found:

All items misplaced around camp will be put in the lost and found at the Welcome Center. If it is properly labeled, it will be returned. At the end of the camp season, all unclaimed items will be laundered and donated to a charitable organization. To prevent loss or theft, do not bring expensive or prized personal possessions to camp. These items are not covered by camp insurance and are not the responsibility of the camp or its staff.

Immunization Policy:

For the health, safety and welfare of both staff and students, the Early Childhood Learning Center follows all State of Florida vaccination requirements for students entering our center. Documentation of compliance with these requirements must be provided for all students. The center will monitor on-going vaccination compliance for children 2 months to 2 years. This follows the standards and policies of the American Academy of Pediatrics, the Center for Disease Control and the American Council on Immunization and Prevention. There are no religious exemptions to this policy. Medical exemptions will be reviewed by the director with medical consultation as necessary.

Health:

Parents or designated caretakers of children who exhibit the following symptoms will be called to come to the JCC to pick up their child within a one-hour time period:

- Fever of 100.0 degrees and above
- Diarrhea (2 bouts of diarrhea at camp)
- Vomiting
- Abnormal behavior

A child should not be sent to camp if he/she is not feeling well. Children coming to camp with severe coughs, colds, runny nasal discharges, and fever will be sent home. Children must be fever-free for 24 hours before they may return to camp. In the event of a contagious illness, please notify the school office immediately. Pregnant women should be aware that their children might be exposed to chicken pox, CMV or other childhood illnesses. Please seek the advice of your obstetrician. Exposed, asymptomatic siblings are permitted to attend camp, according to the Orange County Health Department. Minor bruises, scratches, and scrapes are treated as such. Should something occur which we feel requires the attention of a physician, you will be notified.

Medication:

Prescription and non-prescription medication brought into the office by the parent must be in the original container. All prescription and non-prescription medication will be dispensed according to the written directions on the prescription label or printed manufacturer's label. Medications will be dispensed by administrators and stored in the office. Parents must come into the office to fill out a Medication Authorization form in order for medication to be distributed. **Do not send medication, vitamins, cough drops and itch ointments, etc., in a child's lunch box or backpack.**

Snack:

A mid-morning nutritious snack and water will be provided daily. An afternoon snack will be provided to Extended Day children.

Lunch:

Campers staying after 12:00pm should bring a lunch each day. Be sure to include all utensils. We are offering a hot lunch program each day. If you would like to order a hot lunch, please go to www.rosenjcc.org/lunch to view the menu and order online. For information on ordering lunch please contact Amanda Davis at Amandad@Rosenjcc.org.

All food sent to camp must be pre-cut for the younger children and age appropriate. **Popcorn, nuts, and uncut grapes are choking hazards and are not permitted. Due to life-threatening allergies, some groups and rooms are designated nut-free.** There will be signs posted in those rooms.

Children arriving before 8:50am may bring their breakfast with them to eat at camp. We encourage only nutritious breakfasts or lunches are sent to camp. Please do not send candy or carbonated beverages.

Please discuss any special eating needs with your child's teacher. Please print names clearly on the outside of the lunch box or bag. Sippy cup lids must be included, labeled with your child's first and last name.

Dietary Policies:

Do not mix meat and dairy products.

Meat products of pork origin are not permitted.

Shellfish is not permitted.

At lunch, children may not share food.

Food provided by the JCC on campus will be Kosher, dairy, or vegetarian.

Arrival and Dismissal:

Drop-off is between 9:00am-9:10am. All campers will gather each morning for Friendship Circle. Dismissal will be from our camp rooms.

Discipline Policy:

The JCC staff believes that camp/school should be a place where all children can have the opportunity to be successful. It is a time for children to learn new and exciting things, to make friendships, and to learn to be a part of a group while retaining their unique individuality. In believing that every child has his or her own “special needs,” it has always been the policy of the JCC to be a camp/school that includes all children.

Occasionally it is determined that a child needs to be withdrawn from the Early Childhood Learning Center. This is only recommended after very careful observation of the child and ongoing meetings with the parents. One or more of the following conditions must be present to suggest exclusion: the child’s behavior is harmful to himself or the other children in the program; we are unable to meet the individual needs of the child; or the child’s behavior is disruptive to the point of preventing the other children from learning. This is done only after all reasonable options have been attempted. This decision is made with input from the classroom teachers, the parents, and the school administration. We will also attempt to assist parents in finding more suitable learning arrangements for their child.

It is our policy to use redirection, modeling, and positive reinforcement whenever possible in eliciting proper behavior. It is our belief that one of the most important things that children learn in Early Childhood is how to get their needs met in socially acceptable ways. Therefore, a child needs patient, loving adults to model the appropriate negotiation and problem-solving skills for them to become successful and non-violent members of a group. Corporal punishment, yelling and other humiliating tactics are never permitted. Parents will be notified of any problems, to ensure that we work together to help our students. Behavior that is either dangerous or disruptive to the teaching atmosphere cannot be permitted. The camp/school does reserve the right to require parents to pick up any child who is unruly.

Parent/Staff Communication:

We maintain a strong belief in the value of good and open communication. This summer we will be utilizing our Brightwheel app for parent teacher communication throughout the day. Each week your child will be participating in different activities which you can see through the different features in Brightwheel (i.e. pictures of your child participating in activities). We will also be utilizing Brightwheel to outline the plans for the week and informing you of changes and other important information. The staff will not be available to conference with parents during drop-off or pick-up times. We encourage you to contact Dr. Bochman with any concerns or to arrange a conference with your child’s counselor if you feel it is needed.

Important Phone Numbers:

Dr. Phyllis Bochman, Director of Early Childhood Services	321-319-4702
Amanda Davis, Early Childhood Learning Center Coordinator	407-387-2754
Jill Schwartz, Early Childhood Learning Center Office Manager	407-239-7411
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