

Noar Bogrim Director Note

Hello Families! Welcome to the start of the 2018 Camp Shalom Noar-Bogrim second session! You should have received our camp handbook by email prior to the start of camp. It is filled with important information about camp, so please make sure to read through it carefully. You also should have received information about activities for this first week, including a link to a sign-up form. If you aren't seeing sign-up emails, check your filters, your spam folder AND promotions folder. Add both Lisa Friend-Kalupa and csnb@jewishmadison.org to your contacts. Please also check your registration information to make sure that you have accurately entered your email information and do not have old addresses still in your account. Our email lists are drawn directly from the registration data base, we do not enter them individually.

This week we are bringing in two great activities from the community—Bubble Soccer on Thursday and the Boulders Climbing wall on Friday. A signed permission form is required for each of these activities this session. If your child turned in a Boulders one last session, it is still valid. If you have not already sent in the one attached to your welcome email, you can find one at the back of this Sunny Times. Unless you do not want your child to participate in these, please sign and send the in even if your camper is planning to go off-site on Friday. It is not unusual for campers to make same-day changes in plans based on friends, weather, etc.. Having the form on file is helpful in that event. Madison Boats waiver is for week 2. A new waiver is needed for this session!

We hope your camper has a wonderful first week of camp—we are enthusiastically looking forward to getting to know each and every one of them! ☺

Upcoming Programs:

On July 25th, the entire camp will stay on site for our annual Maccabiah games—we are looking forward to a great day!

On July 30th:

All campers will head to Mt Olympus for the day. There will be a late return option for families who choose to pick up their child at Goodman Campus. We will leave as soon as possible in the morning. There will be no on-site programming.

All 9th grade campers will continue on from Mt. Olympus to Camp Chi for the 3-night overnight. No on-site programming is available for 9th graders M-R during that 3rd week.

*You will receive permission forms and an online sign-up for the overnight during the second week of the session.

On August 1st: The 6th-8th grade groups will leave for their overnight. This year we will be staying at Crazyhorse in Brodhead. We will have access to all of their services and activities, including a mini-golf course, outdoor pool, air pillow, and Sugar River tubing and canoeing. **The bus will not return to camp on that day, so if your camper is not staying over, you will need to make arrangements to pick up your child up at Crazyhorse in Brodhead.**



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No on-site programming on August 2nd: all grades travel from overnight sites to Rocky's and return to camp at the very end of the day to take buses home.

Summer Sun, Summer Rain: Be Prepared!

Summer weather is ever changing! Sending your child to camp with the right supplies can make all the difference in their experience! Please always send your child with:

- extra clothes
- a rain poncho or jacket
- extra socks
- sunscreen
- sweatshirt
- water bottle
- Mosquito repellent! They are out in full force!

Remind your child to apply sunscreen BEFORE leaving the house in the morning and to reapply at lunch or after swimming.

A hat and/or sunglasses are also highly recommended.

Remind your camper.....

Although our middle school and elementary camps operate separately, we do share both the campus and the buses. Campers need to be aware of what they are saying and how they are saying it all times. To a five year old, the typical banter of a middle school camper can be very intimidating—we expect our NOBO campers to keep this in mind throughout the day, and especially on the bus rides home. Please remind your camper that there are younger ears and eyes on them, and to conduct themselves with that in mind.

Swimming

As noted in the handbook, the beaches at our state parks are not staffed by lifeguards. Of course, we know that on a hot day nothing is as refreshing as a dip in the lake after a long hike! At state parks campers are permitted to be only waist deep in the water unless we are able to send a lifeguard with the group that day. If you have noted on your parent form that your child does not have swimming skills, they will need to stay with a counselor in the water. If you prefer your child never swim when a lifeguard is not present, please let us know at csnb@jewishmadison.org. In order to avoid arguments about this during the camp day, please also make sure that your camper is aware of your decision

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:15	Kibbutzim (arrival, attendance)				
9:35	Yitzeerah				
Off-Site (leaving at 10:30)	Off-site Trips by grade level Trips leave around 10:45 and return either at 2:30 or 3:30				
On-Site (10:30)	Camptivity: large group on-site activity				
On-Site (11:45)	Swimming				
On-Site (12:30)	Lunch				
Afternoon Activity Choices (1:00)	Afternoon Activity block: choice of two activities				
Chugim (2:30) Some field trips arrive back at camp	Chugim	Chugim	Chugim	Chugim	Shabbat Prep and Celebration
3:20/3:30	Snack, Clean Up, Friendship Circle				Shabbat Celebration
3:45	Board Buses				Board Buses

We will try to get a schedule specific to the week onto the electronic version of the Sunny Times.
 Planning is still in process as of “press time” ☺

Planning for late arrival or early departure:

- On most days, off-site programming does not leave until 10:45. Exceptions (earlier departures) are during the 3rd week of camp where we will attempt to be on the road by 9:45AM each day (possible exception: Tuesday July 31st)
- Although many off-site experiences are scheduled to arrive back on site by 2:30, counselors may adjust to as late as 3:30 on M-R. If you will pick up before 3:30, please tell your camper to choose on-site programming or to verify with his/her counselors the 2:30 return.
- 2:30-3:30 onsite is chugim. Make sure your camper knows he/she is being picked up early. They should let the office know where they will be for that free-choice time of day. Please also make sure they know not to choose swimming OR arrive slightly before 2:30 to catch your child at transition time.