

DEAR CAMP BARNEY MEDINTZ FAMILY,

During the past few weeks, many Camp Barney parents have told me how their kids have been filling their time – when they're not in front of their laptops for school classwork.

I've heard..."watching every movie (several times) that's ever been produced, baking thousands of cookies, building a fort everywhere in the house, playing hoops or riding their bikes in the driveway and every other sport in the backyard, lots of reading and making crafts, walking the dog, singing some of their favorite songs (including "Camp Barney songs"), family karaoke or board games, endless Facetiming, texting and group chats with their friends, and lots of family time!" Inevitably, so many conversations include camp and our collective hopes for this summer.

With cautious optimism, our year-round staff continue to prepare for another magical CBM summer, as always with the health and safety of our campers and staff being paramount.

However, due to the uncertainty around what the next few months will bring, **we have decided it is in our community's best interest to stop collecting all remaining scheduled Camp Barney payments effective immediately. In addition, there will be no cancellation fees for Summer 2020.**

At this time, a final decision has not been made about Summer 2020. We will be back in touch around May 1st with an update and to share with you all relevant plans, options, and next steps.

We know that Camp Barney will be needed more than ever after weeks of social separation, and we remain hopeful that we can continue as planned.

We absolutely love that so many in our Camp Barney community, regardless of age or location, have remained "virtually connected" this Spring. And we will continue to do our best to bring our Camp Barney community together at "Our Summer Place" this Summer.

From our CBM family to your family, our heartfelt best wishes for healthy and better days ahead.

Sincerely,

Jim Mittenthal, M.S.W., Director
Camp Barney Medintz

Please note:

Our CBM "Open Houses" up at Camp, previously scheduled for Sunday, May 10 and Sunday, May 17 have been canceled. Our annual CBM "Fix & Fun" Day, scheduled for

Sunday, May 17 has also regrettably been canceled. We'll let you know when we're able to re-schedule these events. Thanks very much for understanding.