

Camp Barney Melintz

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First Time Family Webinar
April 15, 2024

Introductions

- Danny Herz- Executive Director
- Emily Shapiro- Assistant Director
- Sidra Kennedy - Assistant Director / First Time Camper Coordinator
- Julian Levin - Assistant Director
- Debbie Jacobs- Community Engagement Director
- Courtney McAllister - Marcus Health Center Administrator
- Kate Stansfield - Food Service Director



Agenda

- Our Camp
- 1st Year Camper Experience
- Packing Tips
- Pre-camp Preparation
- Opening/Closing Day Procedures
- Travel



- Food Services
- Medical / Healthcare Info
- Communication Expectations
- Jewish Life at CBM
- Camp Gear
- Camper Commandments
- Who To Go To For What?

DORIS ZABAN CHAPEL

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CHAPEL
DEDICATED JUNE 11, 1966

A photograph of a busy outdoor swimming pool. In the background, a large blue and white slide structure stands on a concrete deck. The pool is filled with children of various ages. Some are swimming, while others are floating on inflatable rings. In the foreground, two boys are standing at the edge of the pool, looking towards the water. A large black inflatable ring with a white eye design is partially visible in the lower foreground. To the right, there is a planter box with pink flowers. The pool is surrounded by a concrete deck and a line of trees in the background.

HALPERN POOL

A wide-angle photograph of an indoor basketball court. The court is filled with children of various ages, mostly wearing red and yellow shirts, engaged in a game. A basketball hoop and backboard are visible in the upper left foreground. The ceiling is high with a series of bright, circular lights. Large windows in the background show a green, wooded area outside. The text "HALPERN ATHLETIC CENTER" is overlaid in large, white, sans-serif capital letters across the middle of the image.

HALPERN ATHLETIC CENTER



LAKE WENDY BEACH

First Year Camper Coordinator



- Sidra Kennedy
- Has been involved in camping since 2011
- 3rd Year in the role of First Time Camper Care Coordinator
- Joining the Camp Barney team as our newest Assistant Director for Summer 2024
- Previous Camper, Counselor, Unit Head
- Email Sidra at Sidra@CampBarney.org





Caring for our Community

- Community Care Team!
 - Comprised of:
 - Community Care Professionals
 - First Year Camper Coordinator
 - Unit Heads
 - Division Supervisors
 - Medical Team



Preparing for Camp



Your child's journey to success at Camp Barney Medintz will be both a joyful and challenging experience.

With your support and good preparation your camper can be successful at camp.





Things to Say to Your Child

- "You are going to have a great time."
- "You are going to make a lot of new friends."
- "Your counselors are there to take care of you."
- "I'm excited for you to try new things!"
- "The camp knows how to get in touch with me"
- "I love you and I am so happy that you get to have this great experience this summer"
- "I am so proud of your courage / strength / commitment to doing this on your own"





Things Not to Say to Your Child

- "You can come home if you don't like it there."
- "Call me if you have any problems."
- "Just try camp for a week and we can see how it goes."
- "You have to go to camp so we can get a break from each other."





Things to do Before Camp

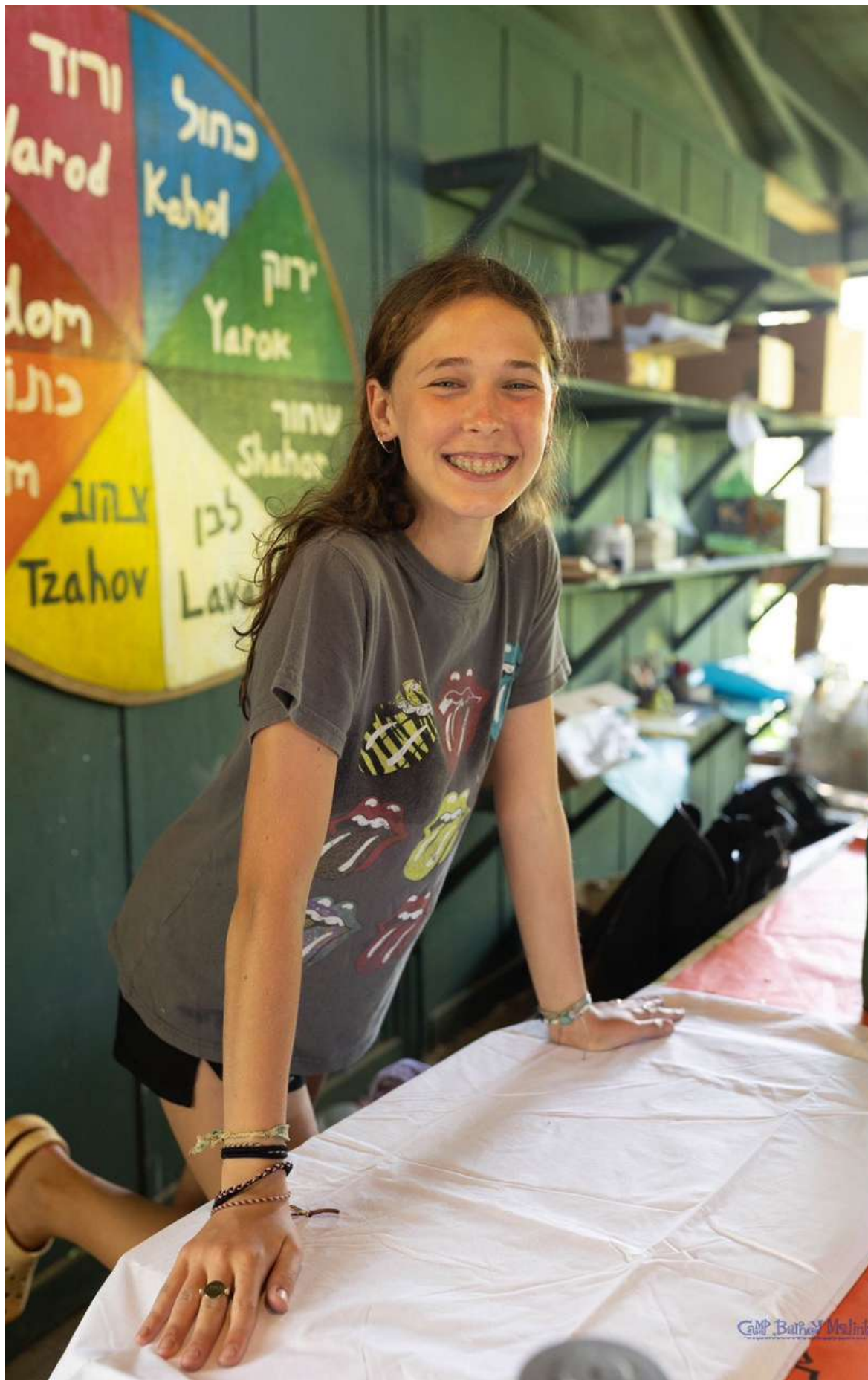
- Send mail before they leave for camp
- Discuss a typical day with your child
- View our online videos
- Discuss all the exciting opportunities they will have



Health / Medication Information



- Our medical team is comprised of:
 - 1 Doctor
 - 4 Nurses
 - 3 Health Care Assistants
- Medicine is disbursed by licensed nurses or our camp doctor
- Questions email our Health Center – MarcusHealthCenter@CampBarney.org



TRUE Pharmacy

- Enrolling in True Pharmacy is required by all campers who take the following daily:
 - Prescription Medications
- Click on QR code for instructions regarding:
 - Vitamins and Supplements
 - OTC daily medicine
- Pharmacy paperwork deadlines:
 - Session 1: 5/3
 - Session 2: 5/31
- Questions email

MarcusHealthCenter@AtlantaJCC.org



Safety and Security



TRAVEL TO AND FROM CAMP



ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM, (S1), CHARLOTTE (S2)

NASHVILLE TO CAMP 6/2/24



ATLANTA AIRPORT



UPS, FEDEX, SHIPCAMPS, IFL



Atlanta Bus

- June 2, June 27, July 1 and July 26
- All Atlanta campers ***must*** use this option. Others welcome to use it also. Campers do not get dropped off at Camp.
- Opening Day Drop off times are between 11:45am and 2:00pm.
- Closing Day Pick up times are between 12:30pm and 3pm with specific times and other details supplied via email when we get closer.
- Upon arrival staff will guide you through the drop off and pickup process.

Atlanta: Opening and Closing Day Locations

Opening Days:

Sunday, June 2nd:

Chattahoochee High School

Sunday, June 9th:

Dunwoody Elementary

Sunday, June 16th:

Dunwoody Elementary

Monday, July 1:

Chattahoochee High School

Closing Days:

Friday, June 7th:

Dunwoody Elementary

Thursday, June 13th:

Dunwoody Elementary

Friday, June 14th:

Dunwoody Elementary

Friday, June 21st:

Dunwoody Elementary

Thursday, June 27th:

First Baptist Church

Friday, July 12:

Dunwoody Elementary

Friday, July 26:

First Baptist Church



Alternate Travel Dates by Bus: Dunwoody Elementary School

- Opening days for campers with sessions beginning on dates other than 6/2 and 7/1
- Dunwoody Elementary School
 - 1923 Womack Rd, Dunwoody, GA 30338
 - **Gather by 1pm and depart at 2pm.**
- Closing days for campers with sessions ending on dates other than 6/27 or 7/26
 - Dunwoody Elementary School
 - 1923 Womack Rd, Dunwoody, GA 30338
 - **Buses arrive between 11am and noon**



Birmingham Bus

- Opening and closing day 1st session.
- Picks up and drops off at the **Levite Jewish Community Center** (3960 Montclair Rd, Birmingham, AL 35213.)
- On opening day we will gather and board by 10AM CDT and depart at 10:30am.
- Closing day return 12 noon CDT. Staff and parents will be there to help. You will receive emails with details when closer to the end of the session.



Charlotte Bus

- Opening and closing day 2nd session
- Picks up and drops off at **Levine Jewish Community Center** (lower level parking lot).
 - 5007 Providence Road Charlotte, NC 28226.
- Opening day: gather at 10:30am and depart at 11am.
- Closing day returns between 12:30pm and 1pm.

You will receive emails with details when closer to the end of the session



Nashville Bus

- Opening day 1st session
- Picks up and drops off at **Nashville Jewish Community Center.**
- Opening day: gather at 10:00am and depart at 10:30am.
- You will receive emails with details when closer to the end of the session



Arrival by Plane

- All campers who fly to camp will be met by staff in the airport at baggage claim in Atlanta (Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport)
- Camp Barney staff will be wearing a Camp Barney shirt and name tag
- All campers should travel with the CBM nametag sent to them prior to camp.
- Campers board the bus beginning at 12:00pm



Arrival by Plane

- Unaccompanied Minors
- Luggage
- Technology
- Pocket Money for travel

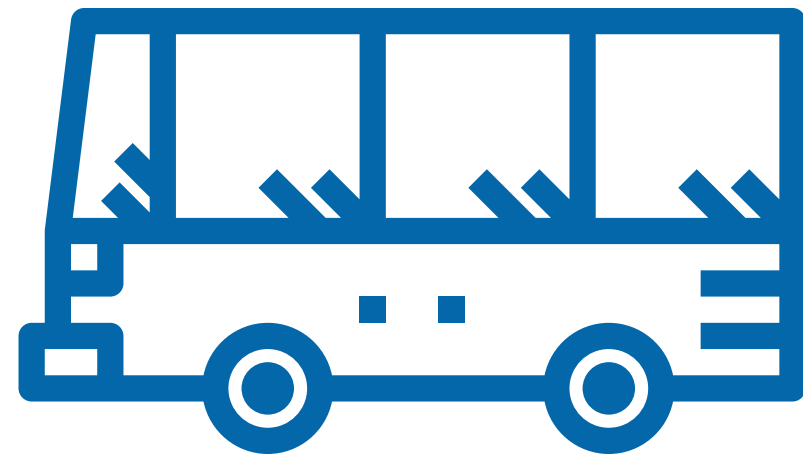


Luggage

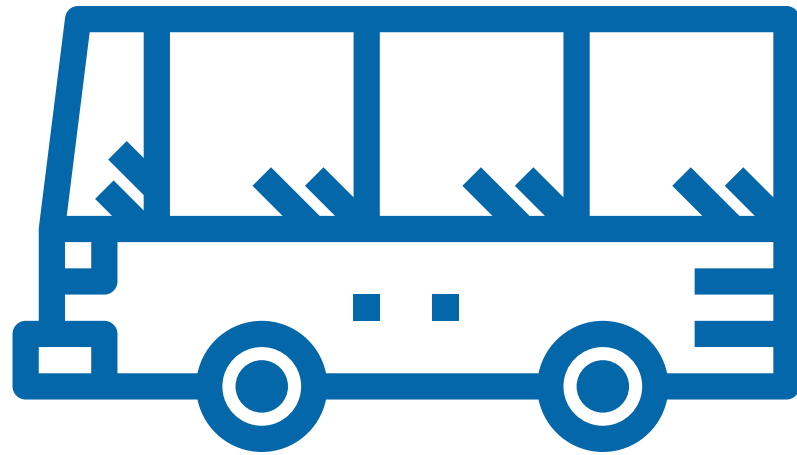
- Shipping Bags
 - Ship to Camp
 - UPS
 - FedEx
- Camper Transportation Form



Travel Summary



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Questions? Email Fran at fran@campbarney.org

Electronics Policy



Please do not send the following items to camp:

- Cell Phones / AirPods
- Gaming Systems/iPad/Nook/Kindle
- Anything that can access the internet or send emails (including watches)

You are welcome to send the following items to camp:

- iPod shuffle (no video screens)
- Inexpensive Digital Camera/ Disposable Cameras

Pre and Post Camp Surveys



- We partner with Summation Research to gather information from parents at the beginning and end of each summer
- Character Initiative Survey- emailed prior to summer
- "CSI" survey will be emailed to you on closing day
- Please complete the survey as it helps camp with our preparation and planning

Pre Camp Survey: Character Initiative

- We are participating in a brand new research grant around how character is built at Camp Barney
- Families are asked to complete a baseline survey prior to camp
- Please complete the survey as it helps camp with proving how character and kindness are built at Camp Barney



Cabin Information



- Groups are assigned by grade in school.
- Average between 10 and 12 campers per cabin.
- We don't give out cabin assignments until your camper arrives to camp.

Bunk Requests



- Bunkmates can be requested.
 - Requests must be mutual.
 - 1 request is guaranteed.
- This can be done on your Confidential Camper Questionnaire which is available in your Forms Dashboard (CampInTouch).

7:15 AM

Boker Tov (Wake Up)

8:00 AM

Breakfast

8:45AM

Health Call, Med Line,
and Cabin Clean-up

9:15 AM

Activity 1 – Ropes
Activity

10:30 AM

Activity 2 – Kickball

11:45 AM

Lunch

12:45 PM

Activity 3 – Tie-
Dye

2:00 PM

Rest Hour (mail and canteen)

3:00 PM

Activity 4 – The Blob!

4:15 PM

Activity 5 – Theater
Games

5:45 PM

Dinner

6:45 PM

Activity 6 – Archery

8:00 PM

Activity 7 – Pool Party

8:45 PM

Milkline (cookies and
milk!)

9:15 PM

Lights out (younger campers)
Activity 8 / Evening Programs (older campers)

10-11 PM

In Cabins /Lights Out (older
campers)

Food at Camp



- Our food is served family style; campers sit by cabins except during Shabbat dinner (Friday nights).
- Kosher.
- Water – our best friend.
- *Please do not send food to camp in your camper's luggage.*

Food at Camp



- Fresh Fruit, Yogurt, Cereal at Breakfast
- Salad Bar and Sandwich Bar at Lunch and Dinner
- Fruit options
- Vegetarian options
- Plain pasta / sauce
- Questions about food / allergies?

*Email Kate at -
Kate@CampBarney.org*



Laundry

- Laundry will be washed three times during each four-week session and once during each two-week session.
- There is no laundry service for one-week campers.
- A laundry service washes, dries and folds the contents of each camper's clearly marked laundry bag.
- Please pack a durable laundry bag- mesh bags don't hold up well.
- Camp can handle any emergency laundry situation.
- **Please label all of your child's belongings.**
 - (Label Daddy works really well)





Special Programs

- Shabbat Programming
- Unique Unit Programs
- Shabbat Concert
- Color War!
- Israel Day
- Barneyroo
- Camp-wide Play (4-week campers)

Other Information

- Package Policy - no packages at camp.
- Camp Barney uses E-Letters to communicate with families back home.
- Campers do not need money during the session.
- Bring sunscreen.
- Please pack a water bottle.



Packing for Camp



Communication Information

- Counselor Letters- first week of camp!
- When will we call home?
- Don't panic when you see a call or missed call from camp!
- If you have a question- email is the best way to get it answered quickly
 - *As a first-time family, your main point of contact is **Sidra** (sidra@campbarney.org)*



Summer Communication

- Our website is a great starting point:
 - www.CampBarney.org
- CampIn Touch
 - E-Letters
 - Photos
- Instagram
 - Camp.Barney.Medintz
- Facebook
 - Facebook.com/CampBarneyMedintz
- Call our office – we are here for you!
 - 678-812-3844
- Weekly Email from Danny
- Mail: from you & your camper



- We have 2 photographers on staff and 2 videographers on staff. We want to capture great photos and video to share with you!
- Every parent will be able to see up to date photos from the summer through Companion and your CampInTouch account.
- We will upload the weekly video and share a link with you.



Download The Companion App!

- Photo Sharing App
- Facial Recognition
- Updated Daily
- Log in: same info as Campintouch





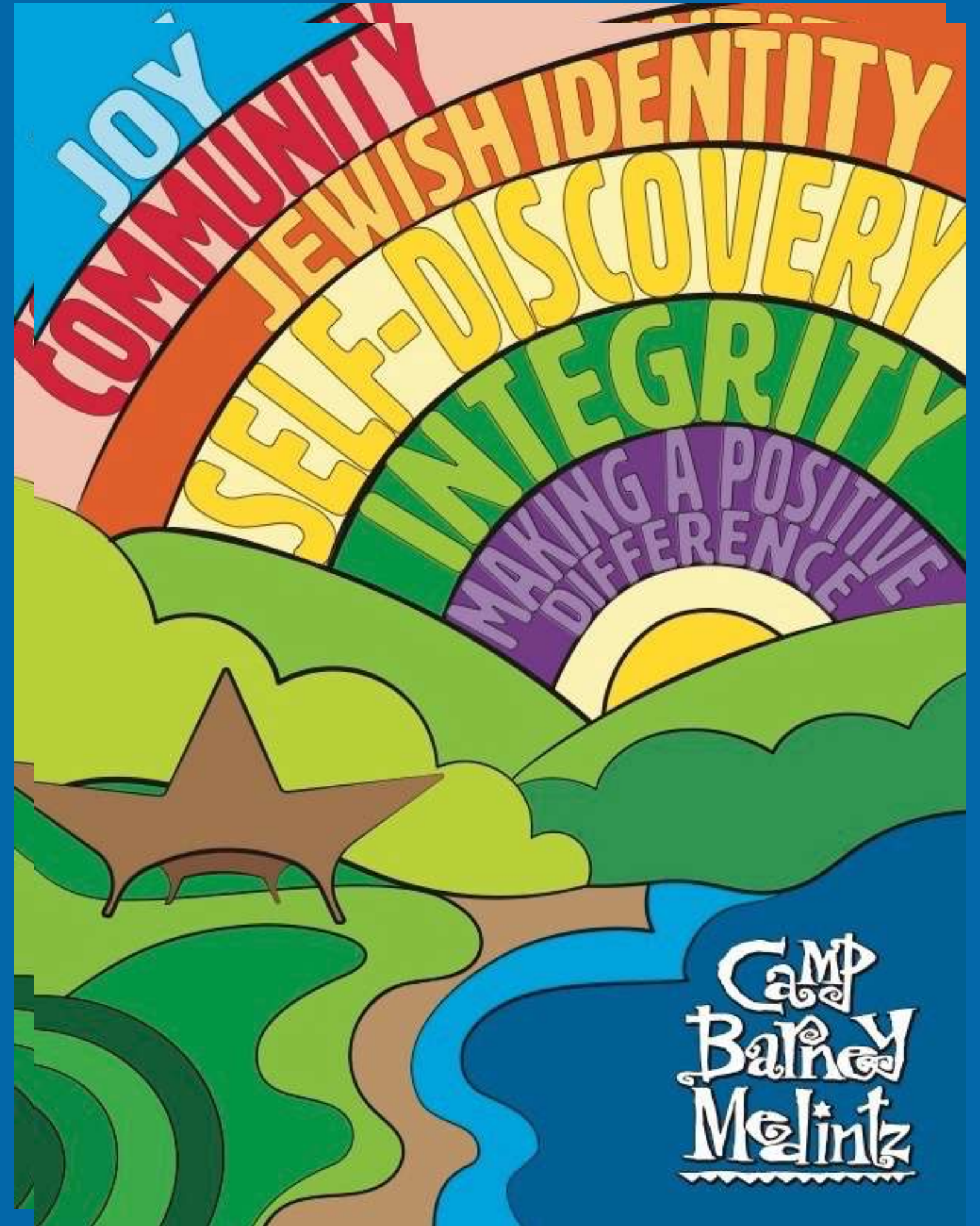
Bi-Weekly Emails Leading up to Camp

- Every other Thursday
- Haven't seen them? Catch up below!
- Follow the instructions in the emails to add Camp Barney (summer@campbarney.org) to your address book!
- Learn more about the small things at camp and get excited!



Connecting Judaism and Campers

- Values based experiential education
- 6 core values integrated into everything we do
- Designed to enhance Jewish pride and connection to something bigger than self





Help Support Camp Barney Medintz

- Help campers attend CBM this summer and in the future.





Camp Store

- CBM shirts, draw-string bags, sweatshirts, t-shirts, and more!!
- Shipped directly to you.
- Open now.



My Commitment to Camp Barney Medintz:

- I will treat everyone with kindness and respect.
- I will help others feel welcome and valued.
- I will embrace people who are different from me and the things that make each of us unique.
- I will be present and connect with the people at camp.
- I will challenge myself to have new experiences.
- I will take care of my body, mind, and soul.
- I will think about the physical and emotional safety of others before I act.
- I will strive to make a positive impact in my community and help make the world a better place.
- I will show appreciation for the Jewish traditions we share.
- I will have fun and help others find joy.



Pre-Camp Checklist



- Submit all outstanding forms
- Meds to True pharmacy
- Make plans to ship luggage
- Double check flights
- Update transportation form



Parent Handbook



- Linked below with QR code
- We try to answer all questions tonight and in the parent handbook
- Please read it all the way through!
- Includes:
 - Packing List and Packing Tips
 - Arrival and Departure Information
 - Electronics Policy
 - Camper Code of Conduct
 - Dress Code
 - Health and Wellbeing Information
 - A Typical Day
 - And More!



ACTIVITY PROGRESSION

	Youngest	Middle	Teens
Naturecrafts	Backwoods Cookouts	Overnight Hike at Camp	3 Day Appalachian Trail Hike
Ropes	Flying Squirrel	Climbing Wall and Vertical Playpens	Giant Swing and Quadrophenia
Waterfront	Lake Inflatables, Tubing	Omega Aqua Zip Line, Skiing	Off Site Ski Trip
Sports	Field and Court Sports	Archery Tag	Mountain Biking
Arts & Crafts	Tie-Dye	Wire Jewlery	Pottery Wheel
Horseback	Equestrian Experience	1 Equestrian Experience AND 1 Riding Session	2 Riding Sessions

Who to Contact for What

- General questions:
 - Email **Summer@CampBarney.org**
- First Time Camper Questions:
 - Email Sidra Kennedy - **Sidra@CampBarney.org**
- Questions regarding financial matters:
 - Email Eliya Brog - **Eliya@CampBarney.org**
- Medical questions concerning your child
 - Email **MarcusHealthCenter@CampBarney.org**
- Non-medical issues related to your child (Mental, Emotional, Social Issues)
 - Email **CommunityCare@CampBarney.org**
- Travel questions:
 - Email Fran Harrell - **Fran@CampBarney.org**



