

# Camp Barney Melintz

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MARCUS JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER of ATLANTA



WELCOME  
TO

# CAMP BARNEY Melintz

AT CAMP BARNEY  
WE HAVE SIX  
CORE VALUES

— AT THE CENTER OF —  
EVERYTHING WE DO:

*Community*

JEWISH IDENTITY

SELF-DISCOVERY

JOY

◇ INTEGRITY ◇

MAKING A POSITIVE  
DIFFERENCE





Camp Barney Medintz is located in the North Georgia Blue Ridge Mountains on 540 spectacular acres. Since 1963, Camp Barney has offered the most meaningful and exhilarating Jewish overnight camp experience for boys and girls in rising 1<sup>st</sup>–11<sup>th</sup> grades. Our campers come to CBM from all around the country to experience the magic of Our Summer Place.

Our campus is extensive, comfortable, and beautiful, and includes two private lakes and two swimming pools. Our endless activities and off-site trips are sequentially designed to be exceedingly safe, exciting, and age appropriate. Campers always look forward to the added activities that the next summer brings, from trying the “Omega” zip line and hiking the Appalachian Trail to going whitewater rafting, experiencing a solo overnight, and more. Our culture of respect, compassion, spirit, and

community permeate every program. Carefully selected staff lead, support, and embrace every child as they pursue new challenges, gain self-confidence and independence, reinforce their Jewish identity, and develop lifelong friendships.

We know that overnight camp is a big decision for your family. Thank you for allowing Camp Barney to be part of your child’s journey while having the most meaningful summers of their lives.

We look forward to sharing Our Summer Place with you and your family!

—Danny Herz  
Executive Director,  
Camp Barney Medintz



# EVERY IMAGINABLE ACTIVITY AT CAMP BARNEY MEDINTZ

At Camp Barney, campers enjoy activities they know and love, while also being introduced to new adventures every day. Guided by our experienced, certified, and talented CBM staff and guest artists-in-residence, campers spend their days with friends exploring new passions and feeling accomplished.

- **WATERFRONT**  
Free Swim, Water Skiing, Tubing, Wake Boarding, Knee Boarding, ZUP Boarding, Canoeing, Kayaking, Stand-up Paddle Boarding, The Blob, Water Slides, SCUBA Diving, Iceberg Climbing Wall, Water Luges
- **NATURE**  
Campouts, Cookouts, Hiking, Team Building
- **HORSEBACK**  
Ring and Trail Riding, Grooming, Horsemanship
- **SPORTS**  
Baseball, Basketball, Tennis, Pickleball, Soccer, Lacrosse, Karate, Fencing, Archery, Yoga, Ga-Ga, Mountain Biking, Tournaments, Triathlons, Knockerball, Ultimate Frisbee

## HIGH ADVENTURE

Zip Lines, High and Low Ropes Courses, Tree Climbing, Vertical Climbing Walls, Technical Rock Climbing, Caving

## CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS

Play Performance, Music, Movie Making, Karaoke, Podcasts, Pottery, Beading, Dance, Cooking Classes, Tie-Dye, Mosaics, Media

## SPECIAL EVENTS

Color War, Dances, Barneyroo Culturefest, Israel Day, Talent Show

## TRIPS

Exciting offsite trips for rising 7<sup>th</sup> graders and up include Water Skiing, White Water Rafting, Backpacking, Rock Climbing, Mountain Biking, Caving, and more.

# SAMPLE SCHEDULE

7:15 AM	WAKE UP
8:00 AM	BREAKFAST
8:45 AM	CABIN CLEANUP
9:15 AM	ACTIVITY 1
10:30 AM	ACTIVITY 2
11:45 AM	LUNCH
12:45 PM	ACTIVITY 3
2:00 PM	REST HOUR, MAIL & CANTEEN
3:00 PM	ACTIVITY 4
4:15 PM	ACTIVITY 5
5:45 PM	DINNER
6:45 PM	ACTIVITY 6
8:00 PM	ACTIVITY 7
8:45 PM	MILK LINE COOKIES
9:15 PM	ACTIVITY 8 & YOUNG CAMPER'S LIGHTS OUT
10:00 PM	OLDER CAMPER'S LIGHTS OUT

## JEWISH LIFE

Jewish customs, traditions, and culture are woven into each day at Camp Barney, instilling in our campers a lifelong connection to their Jewish identity, Israel, and our global Jewish community. For more than 60 years, our campers have been enjoying Jewish music, Israeli dance, Israeli culture, saying the blessings before and after meals, and special programs. **Jewish life is an integral part of the everyday magic of Camp Barney Medintz.**

Shabbat is a special time, one that campers will remember long after their camp days are over. Our campers hold on to the special feeling of singing prayers in the Doris Zaban Chapel, overlooking Lake Wendy, with the voices of hundreds of campers joining them. The whole Shabbat experience offers a sense of ruach and spirituality. On Saturdays, whether playing basketball, going on a creek hike, or splashing in our two pools, our campers know it is Shabbat, a day of peace and relaxation. We join together as a camp on Saturday nights to conclude Shabbat with Havdalah.

*Here at Camp Barney Medintz, we inspire and solidify campers' connections to their Jewish heritage, creating a lifelong connection to our Jewish community.*

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— Jacob M., long-time Camp Barney camper and staff member

# HEALTHY CAMPERS

We provide a safe and healthy environment for all our campers. Our modern Billi and Bernie Marcus Health Center is a state-of-the-art, air-conditioned facility that is staffed by a resident physician and registered nurses every day, all of whom live at Camp. The medical team is available 24 hours a day to handle a range of services, including managing health care and the distribution of medication. Specific case management allows us to assist campers with allergies and other health issues.

We work closely with families to ensure every camper has a safe and happy summer at Camp Barney. EMTs and urgent care facilities are three miles away and the local hospital is nearby.

## OUR STAFF

Paramount to every child's experience at Camp Barney is the excellence of our staff. They are mature, talented, enthusiastic, warm, and loving caretakers and mentors. They are accomplished and conscientious leaders in their roles at Camp Barney and in their everyday lives. They are our campers' biggest supporters and cheerleaders.

We personally interview every staff member to ensure they are the right fit for our camp culture and for our campers. Our staff members receive extensive training, including emergency and safety procedures, child development training, and behavior management. Our specialists, who instruct and supervise activities involving waterfront, boating, high-adventure ropes courses, and horseback riding, are experienced, trained, and/or certified in their respective specialty area.

We are fortunate that many of our campers become staff members and many return for multiple summers. It is not unusual for a Camp Barney staff member to be on their 9th or 12th summer at Camp Barney. In fact, nearly 75 percent of our staff are returning staff or were campers.

Our staff return to Camp Barney because it is the place that holds incredibly meaningful memories for them, they are passionate about working with children, and they want every camper to thrive, grow, and have even more fun than last summer.



# WHAT'S MOST IMPORTANT

## HOW DO YOU SELECT AND TRAIN YOUR STAFF?

All staff members complete a rigorous application process that includes reference checks, criminal background checks, and a personal interview. We hire staff who we believe possess the qualities we seek: positive values, excellent character, good judgment, compassion, intelligence, and passion for teaching and caring for children. Once hired, all staff members participate in extensive training that covers safety and emergency procedures, youth development, behavior management, activity leadership, and child abuse prevention.

## WHAT IS THE CAMPER-TO-STAFF RATIO? HOW OLD ARE THE STAFF MEMBERS?

Our camper-to-staff ratio is two counselors for each group of 8–12 campers. All of our staff members are at least 17 years old and/or are rising high school seniors or older.

## WHAT IS THE FOOD LIKE AT CAMP?

Camp Barney's food is delicious and nutritious, and we are also a kosher and nut-free facility. We provide three well-balanced meals each day that include fruits and vegetables. We provide many options at each meal so every camper can find something they like. There are cereal and milk options at every breakfast. At every lunch and dinner, we also offer a sandwich bar, a salad bar that includes a range of options, a pasta bar, and so much more. Campers also enjoy canteen during the day and our famous Milk Line cookies each evening. We accommodate every dietary need and restriction. Vegetarian, vegan, gluten-free, and dairy-free alternatives are available at each meal.

## WHAT SHOULD MY CHILD PACK FOR CAMP?

The "What to Bring List" will help you to prepare. Camp is all about having fun outdoors, so we recommend that you do not pack clothing items that you don't want to get dirty or stained. Campers also need to bring bedding (sheets, pillow, and blankets) as well as a sleeping bag for overnight trips. Please put your child's name on everything.

## HOW DO I KEEP IN TOUCH WITH MY CHILD WHILE THEY ARE AT CAMP?

We encourage you to write positive, supportive letters to your child throughout their session. One-way emails are easy to send through your CBM account and campers are encouraged to respond by postal letters or scanned letters that are emailed to you. We use a facial recognition photo platform to share photos of campers with parents. You can also like us on Facebook and Instagram to see fun videos and photos of camp in action. If there is an issue at any point during your child's time at Camp, our directors will call you, and you're welcome to email or call us.

## WHAT IS YOUR TECHNOLOGY POLICY?

Our campers are fully unplugged during the summer, so we do not permit campers to bring mobile devices or other technology that connects to the internet to camp. This includes, but is not limited to, cell phones, iPads, laptops, tablets, and gaming devices.

## WHAT IF MY CHILD GETS HOMESICK?

It's perfectly normal for a camper to miss home, especially our new and younger campers. Our staff is trained on how to manage homesickness and we deal with each camper on an individual basis. Some remedies we consider are more participation in activities and creating stronger quality connections with other campers. We embrace them as long as it takes, and often partner with parents, until they feel comfortable and connected. We will do everything that we can to make sure your child has the best possible experience at Camp Barney.

## HOW ARE ACTIVITIES ASSIGNED?

Activities are assigned by age group and are organized in a sequential program so that every year a camper returns to Camp Barney, they can look forward to participating in new programs, activities, trips, and more. There are some activities that all campers enjoy like swimming, tubing, waterskiing, cookouts, archery, lake activities, music, dance, theater, crafts, and field and court sports. Specific age groups enjoy horseback riding, leading Shabbat service, technical climbing wall, vertical challenge course, videography, mountain biking, zip line, pottery, karate, and scuba diving. Additionally, there are different trips for each age group that range from skiing to hiking the Appalachian trail.



The American Camp Association's (ACA) rigorous standards of excellence guide successful camps across the country and CBM is proud to achieve their accreditation. Their stamp of accreditation is your assurance of an incredible camping experience. The ACA sets national standards (reviews programs, facilities, and hiring and safety policies) and they also routinely visit Camp Barney.

# 4-WEEK OPTIONS

Sessions 1 and 2

## YOUTH & TEEN

### For Rising 3rd–10th Graders

During our four-week sessions, campers are offered an incredible variety of experiences that evolve with each year they return to Camp. New trips and unit programs keep summer exciting, while affording every camper the opportunity to experience all of the Camp activities they love. Campers spend three Shabbats at Camp and lead an interactive and musical Shabbat service. Our unique, culturally Jewish program is experiential, age-appropriate, and filled with fun.

## JIT PROGRAM

### For Rising 11th Graders

Campers in our JIT (Junior-in-Training) unit experience the ultimate in outdoor adventure. From the moment they arrive at Camp, their program looks and feels different from anything they have previously experienced at Camp Barney. JIT campers live in canvas platform tents in their own village and participate in an incredible number of high-adventure activities, supervised by experienced and talented staff. JITs take a six-day outdoor excursion through the scenic Blue Ridge Mountains, go caving, hike, climb, and go whitewater rafting, among many other amazing activities. While at Camp, JITs participate in a solo camping experience and also enjoy all of the best Camp Barney activities!

# 2-WEEK OPTIONS

Sessions 1 and 2

## KOCHAVIM

(HEBREW FOR “STARS”)

### For Rising 3rd–5th Graders

#### Sessions A & B Only

This 2-week program is designed for older campers who have never been to overnight camp or who want to experience it for two weeks. Campers participate in many of the adventures at Camp Barney, including water skiing, the Hurricane water slide, horseback riding, zip lines, ropes courses, field and court sports, music, theater, film studio, dance, crafts, cooking, media, and much more.

## PRE-TEEN

### For Rising 3rd–4th Graders

#### Sessions C & D Only

The Kochavim unit is designed to give campers a taste of Camp Barney, packing all of the excitement and adventure of Camp into two fun weeks. Campers participate in dozens of age-appropriate activities and unique programs, including spending a meaningful Shabbat at Camp. We hand select staff to work with this group to ensure these campers become comfortable in our Camp Barney environment and have the time of their lives!

“CAMP BARNEY IS SO MEANINGFUL BECAUSE IT TEACHES LESSONS THAT CAN'T BE TAUGHT ANYWHERE ELSE IN THE WORLD—COMMUNITY, FRIENDSHIP, LOVE, AND HAPPINESS. I CAN HONESTLY SAY THAT I FEEL HAPPIEST WHEN I AM AT CAMP, AND THAT IT HAS SHOWN ME HOW TO BE A BETTER PERSON IN EVERY WAY POSSIBLE.”

— Jayme D., long-time Camp Barney camper and staff member



# SPECIALTY PROGRAMS

Session 1 Only

## CBM EXPERIENCE

**For rising 2nd-3rd Graders**

1-Week Sessions (6 Days/5 Nights at CBM)

CBM Experience gives younger campers the perfect introduction to Camp Barney. Campers arrive at Camp Barney on Sunday for an amazing six-day, five-night adventure. Campers are immersed in the CBM community, participating in tons of cool activities, sleeping in bunks, enjoying a cookout in the woods, and even getting canteen and mail! Registration for CBM Experience runs concurrently with registration for all other Camp Barney programs.

## DISCOVERY DAY

**For rising 1st Graders**

1-Day Program

Campers will experience tons of fun packed into one full day and get a taste of the magic of camp with awesome activities. This is a great way to experience the feel of overnight camp!

## CHALUTZIM PROGRAM

(HEBREW FOR "PIONEERS")

**For Campers Ages 12-24 with Special Needs**

1-Week, 2-Week, or 4-Week Options

Our Chalutzim program has been nationally recognized since it was established in 1992. This program is highly individualized and an extraordinary experience for each camper. Campers with special needs are supervised by experienced, specially trained staff who understand the camp setting and also infuse large doses of conscientious mentoring, warmth, humor, and hugs. This program offers all the exciting Camp Barney activities and opportunities while facilitating individual and group skill development. Campers in our Chalutzim program come to us with a wide range of abilities and we work closely with each camper on meeting individual goals for their time at Camp.



CAMP BARNEY MERITZ

# EXPERIENCE CAMP BARNEY MEDINTZ

Come meet us, learn more about Camp, and get an exciting inside look at Our Summer Place!

Please visit [campbarney.org](http://campbarney.org) for dates and times.



"I REMAIN TRULY IN AWE OF ALL THAT YOU DO TO CONSTANTLY IMPROVE EVERY YEAR, KNOWING EVERY FACE, BUILDING AN AMAZING JEWISH COMMUNITY, FOSTERING A POSITIVE JEWISH IDENTITY, AND INSTILLING A CONFIDENCE IN US, THE PARENTS, THAT OUR KIDS ARE TAKEN CARE OF SO WELL."

— Erin and Lance C., Camp Barney parents

## SPRING AND FALL TOURS

Take a guided tour of camp to see our incredible facilities, learn about our limitless activities, and hear about the magic of camp.

## VIRTUAL INFO SESSIONS

Each fall and winter, CBM presents information about the upcoming summer to any families who want to learn more about the camp experience. Families meet the directors and staff, and have all their questions answered.

## SUMMER TOURS

Prospective families are invited to tour CBM while we're in session to see Camp in action!

## CITY TOURS

Our Camp Barney team is excited to travel throughout the Southeast in the fall to meet prospective families in select cities. These special events offer a unique opportunity to connect with our team, mingle with other families, and get an in-depth look at the magic of camp.

## RENTING CBM FOR SPECIAL OCCASIONS

Did you know that you can celebrate your special occasions at Camp Barney? Whether you are celebrating Shabbat, a Jewish lifecycle event, or another meaningful occasion, the Doris Zaban Chapel is the ideal setting. You and your guests have several accommodation options including a choice of cabins, the Billi and Bernie Marcus Health Center, the Lake House, Leven Lodge, and Kay Commons. When it is time to eat, our kosher food service allows you to choose anything from an upscale menu to comfort food. When it is time to have some fun, the lakes, beach, and pools await.

# OUR TEAM

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**Danny Herz**  
Executive Director



**Dave Weinberg**  
Associate Director



**Taylor Bashuk**  
Assistant Director



**Sidra Kennedy**  
Assistant Director



**Shachar Levy**  
Assistant Director



**Emily Shapiro**  
Community Care Director



**Debbie Medintz Jacobs**  
Community Engagement  
Director



**Kate Stansfield**  
Food Service Director



**Courtney McCallister**  
Marcus Health Center  
Administrative Director



**Rachel Salba**  
Business Director



**Don Blate**  
Operations Director



**Eliya Brog**  
Business Operations  
Associate

### **Danny Herz, Executive Director**

Danny has been a leader and innovator in overnight camping for more than 13 years, previously serving as Executive Director of URJ's 6 Points Sports Academy, 6 Points Creative Arts Academy, and 6 Points Sci-Tech Academy. He has a 15+ year career in education, serving on the senior administrative team at Jewish schools in Southern California and South Florida and holding the roles of teacher, coach, dean of students, and athletic director. Danny has been involved with Jewish sports for more than 20 years, including coaching at the JCC Maccabi Games® and being the first coach in Broward County, Florida to coach a McDonald's All-American. He is also a sought-after public speaker. Born in South Africa, Danny has lived in the U.S. since the late 1980s. He earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Florida and a master's degree from Ohio University. He is a certified camp director by the American Camp Association (ACA) and a certified athletic administrator (CAA) by the National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (NIAAA).

### **Dave Weinberg, Associate Director**

Dave spent over a decade traveling from Sarasota, Florida to work at Camp Barney before joining our year-round team in 2015. Dave's experience at Camp Barney includes several summers as a member of our Naturecrafts Staff, two summers as the Naturecrafts Director, three summers as a Program Director, and one summer as Director of our Staff In Training program. He holds a bachelor's degree in Computer Science and History from New College of Florida in Sarasota. In his role as associate director, Dave combines his passion for working with kids in the great outdoors with his background in computer science and logistics. At Camp Barney, Dave is responsible for essential elements of camp operation, scheduling, ACA compliance and accreditation, and technology.

### **Taylor Bashuk, Assistant Director**

Taylor, originally from Macon, GA, has been deeply connected to Camp Barney Medintz since 2013, beginning as a teen camper and progressing through roles as a camper, counselor, unit head, and supervisor to staff in training. She graduated from Mercer University in 2020 with a bachelor's degree in business administration, focusing on marketing and management. After relocating to Atlanta in August 2020, Taylor joined the MJCCA Day Camps team as a counselor at Club J, the after-school program. She advanced to Assistant Director of Club J and later took on the role of Assistant Director of Camp Isidore Alterman (CIA) and Day Camp Programs. She is also a proud member of the inaugural M2: The Institute for Experiential Jewish Education, Atlanta cohort.

### **Sidra Kennedy, Assistant Director**

Sidra has an extensive background in Jewish camping with 6 Points Sports Academy, Kutz Leadership Camp, and Camp Barney Medintz. While with 6 Points, she held the roles of counselor, unit head, and director of first year camper care. Sidra joined Camp Barney Medintz in 2023 as the inaugural first year camper care director, working closely with the Community Care team, campers, and their parents/ guardians. Sidra earned her bachelor's degree in human service studies and policy studies with a focus in education from Elon University, and has experience in coaching, mentoring, counseling, and teaching, encouraging inclusion of people of all abilities. She is passionate about experiential learning, outdoor activities, international exchanges, and connections amongst cultures.

### **Shachar Levy, Assistant Director**

Shachar, originally from Israel, brings extensive experience in Jewish education, youth development, and summer camp leadership, having trained over 500 Israeli staff members through his work as a senior trainer with the Jewish Agency for Israel. He began his camp journey at 6 Points Sports Academy as a counselor and later oversaw Israeli staff and programs. In 2023, Shachar joined the CBM family as a Head Activity Specialist and

returned in 2024 as a Program Director. Prior to joining the full-time team, Shachar worked as a software engineer at Microsoft and Western Digital and played professional basketball for Hapoel Tel Aviv and Maccabi Haifa. Shachar is passionate about fostering Jewish identity by creating camp experiences that connect campers to Judaism, Israel, and the values of community, kindness, and spirit. Outside of camping, Shachar enjoys snowboarding, scuba diving, hiking, traveling, and anything related to sports!

### **Emily Shapiro, Community Care Director**

Emily first attended Camp Barney in 2008. Since then, she's gone from camper to staff member, spending summers working with our Chalutzim unit and staff members who graduated into our vocational program. She earned both her bachelor's degree and master's degree in Clinical Social Work with an emphasis in Disability Studies from the University of Georgia. In 2018, Emily joined the Camp Barney team as our Inclusion Director, and worked over the past several years to create our Community Care program. In her role as Assistant Director, Emily works closely with parents/guardians throughout the year to help ensure that our campers have impactful and positive experiences at CBM. She supervises all staff working with our units (age groups), and both our Inclusion and Community Care Directors to support consistent communication and collaboration amongst the team.

### **Debbie Medintz Jacobs, Community Engagement Director**

Debbie has worked in the CBM summer office since 2008 but spent much of her camp career as a camper and staff member from 1985-1997. Her roles at CBM included JIT Rover, counselor, unit head, and ultimately program director. Debbie is a graduate of the Erwin Zaban Leadership Development Committee and has served on the CBM Camp Committee for several years. Debbie holds a B.S. from University of Alabama. A proud 3rd generation Atlantan, Debbie is the granddaughter of camp namesake Barney Medintz. She is married to Ryan and they have two sons, Harris, who attends U of Wisconsin and Justin, who attends UGA. Both boys grew up going to CBM!

### **Kate Stansfield, Food Service Director**

Kate spent over a decade working in various parts of food service from small scale mom-and-pop restaurants to managing at the Biltmore Estate in Asheville, NC. She has been the Food Service Director at a private boarding school in Asheville, NC for the past three years. Kate was first introduced to the world of camp food service back in 2010, and she is looking forward to bringing her experiences back to camp and moving forward. She holds a bachelor's degree in Culinary Nutrition and Culinary Arts from Johnson & Wales University in Providence, RI. In her role as food service director Kate can answer questions relating to special diets and food allergies that your camper might have! At Camp Barney, Kate is responsible for essential elements of camp food service; including day-to-day operations of the dining hall as well as Pack-Outs and Canteen. When not in the kitchen, she loves spending time with her husband and dog, travelling, gardening, and reading.

### **Courtney McCallister, Marcus Health Center Administrative Director**

Courtney brings to the CBM team over a decade of experience in administration and healthcare, along with a lifetime of love for outdoor activities. She graduated from the University of Florida with her B.S. in 2012. Since her childhood, she has enjoyed camping and other outdoor activities and has shared her passion with the next generation both through recreational activities with her husband and children, and in roles she has held within her community, such as Girl Scout leader. While her daughter, Cara, has been a CBM camper since age 11, Courtney first set foot on campus as a health center assistant in June 2023 and immediately fell in love with the camaraderie between campers and staff, and all CBM has to offer. Now a member of

the year-round staff at Camp Barney, Courtney is responsible for recruitment and acquisition of camp nurses and health center assistants, prescription medication intake prior to camper arrival, communication with parents and staff regarding any health-related concerns with campers, and collaboration with other members of the medical team and camp administration to ensure the health and safety of everyone at camp.

### **Rachel Salba, Business Director**

Rachel has been an integral part of the MJCCA since 2011. She joined the Camp Barney team as Administrative Director in 2019 and oversees registration and several other administrative functions. Rachel also supervises the MJCCA registration team and is Director of Business Operations for MJCCA Preschools. Rachel holds a bachelor's degree in Economics with a minor in Computer Information Systems from Georgia State University. Originally from Cleveland, Ohio, Rachel moved to Atlanta in 2006. She and her husband, Ben, have two young children, Eli and Gabe, who can't wait to become Camp Barney campers.

### **Don Blate, Operations Director**

Don joined the Camp Barney community in February 2025. While he did not grow up at CBM, Don spent 10 years at Henry S. Jacobs Camp in Utica, MS, six as a camper and four on staff and has always been a camp kid at heart. Over the two prior summers Don worked at Camp JORI in Wakefield, RI, as the Program and Assistant Director, where he enjoyed being with his children, who are third generation campers and now staff members. Don enjoyed a robust retail career, developing people, building businesses, leading teams, and instituting positive business cultures with Brookstone, and The Walt Disney Company just to name a few. He also ran a FedEx Ground and truck rental business. Don earned his Bachelor of Arts from the University of Alabama, and this combined with his extensive skill make him exceptionally well-suited for the Operations Director role. Don is responsible for logistics, transportation, and facility management, among other areas. Don believes that being a supportive and service-minded leader is a key part of his role as Operations Director, especially when it comes to building strong relationships with families and the entire community. Don cannot wait to experience CBM this summer!

### **Eliya Brog, Business Operations Associate**

Eliya is no stranger to Camp Barney Medintz! She spent three summers there as a camper, and previously attended MJCCA Day Camps for multiple summers as well. She graduated with a B.A. from Georgia State University, and was an assistant manager at the Dunwoody Country Club daycare throughout college. She has been working at the MJCCA for a few years now, assisting with registrations for JCC programs and for CBM. Eliya was born in Israel, but raised in Atlanta and is so excited to be part of the Camp Barney team!

### **Barbara Vahaba, Financial Assistance Coordinator**

Barbara has been involved with the MJCCA for more than 36 years and has been in her role as Financial Assistance Coordinator for 16 years. Her current role at the MJCCA includes supervising programs for older adults and individuals with special needs. Previously she served on the customer service team. Barbara has been connected to Camp Barney Medintz since her two children, Hannah and Joseph, attended as campers and then worked as staff over 20 years ago. She was also a frequent guest chef in the camper kitchen. Barbara holds a B.A. in History and Literature of Religion from Northwestern University and a master's in Rehabilitation Counseling and Gerontology from Georgia State University. She is the proud savta (grandmother) to four grandchildren.

# DATES & RATES

Registration for Returning Families opens on Monday, September 8 at 7:00 am.  
 Registration for All opens on Monday, September 15 at 7:00 am.

Register for Summer 2026 at  
[campbarney.org](http://campbarney.org)

## 4-Week Sessions

Open to Rising  
 3<sup>rd</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> graders

Session 1:  
 June 7-July 2  
 Session 2:  
 July 6-July 31

## 2-Week Sessions

Open to Rising  
 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> graders

A: June 7-19  
 B: June 21-July 2

Open to Rising  
 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> graders

C: July 6-17  
 D: July 19-July 31

## 1-Week Sessions

Open to Rising  
 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> graders

CBM Experience:  
 Aleph: June 7-12  
 Bet: June 14-19  
 Gimel: June 21-26

## 1-Day Program

Open to Rising  
 1<sup>st</sup> graders

Discovery Day:  
 June 28

## Chalutzim

Open to Campers  
 with Special Needs

Ages 10-22:  
 1-Week: June 7-12  
 Ages 12-24:  
 2-Weeks: June 7-19  
 4-Weeks: June 7-July 2

Session	Rising Grade	MJCCA Member	Other JCC Member	Community
1 week CBM Experience	Grades 2 & 3	\$1,165	\$1,165	\$1,165
2 weeks A: Youth	Grades 3-5	\$4,130	\$4,230	\$4,330
2 weeks B: Youth	Grades 3-5	\$3,810	\$3,910	\$4,010
2 weeks C: Youth	Grades 3 & 4	\$3,810	\$3,910	\$4,010
2 weeks D: Youth	Grades 3 & 4	\$4,130	\$4,230	\$4,330
4 weeks Youth	Grades 3-8	\$6,240	\$6,440	\$6,640
4 weeks Teen	Grades 9 & 10	\$6,680	\$6,880	\$7,080
4 weeks J.I.T.	Grade 11	\$7,055	\$7,255	\$7,455
1 week Chalutzim Experience	Ages 10-22	\$1,165	\$1,165	\$1,165
2 weeks Chalutzim	Ages 12-24	\$4,235	\$4,335	\$4,435
4 weeks Chalutzim	Ages 12-24	\$6,680	\$6,880	\$7,080
1 day Discovery Day	Grade 1	\$100	\$100	\$100
Additional Fees				
2 weeks Canteen		\$95	\$95	\$95
4 weeks Canteen		\$190	\$190	\$190
1 week Security		\$35	\$35	\$35
2 weeks Security		\$70	\$70	\$70
4 weeks Security		\$140	\$140	\$140

**Deposit:** A non-refundable deposit of \$500 is required to reserve a space for any program. The deposit will be reduced to \$375 for anyone applying for financial assistance.

**Monthly Billing:** Families may elect to pay monthly on the fifth of each month with the first payment due on October 5, 2025 and the final payment due on April 5, 2026. Families who register after October 5 will have the tuition divided evenly over the remainder of the billing schedule. Families who register after April 5 must pay in full.

**Pay In Full:** Families may also elect to pay in full. This payment will be due at the time of registration. There is no discount for paying in full. Payment for Discovery Day will be due in full at the time of registration.

**Withdrawal/Cancellation:** Families who withdraw prior to February 1 will be eligible for a 100% refund (except for deposit). After that, withdrawals will be managed on a rolling schedule:  
 • February 1-29: 50% of tuition (after deposit) will be refunded.  
 • March 1-31: 25% of tuition (after deposit) will be refunded.  
 • On or after April 1: No refunds.

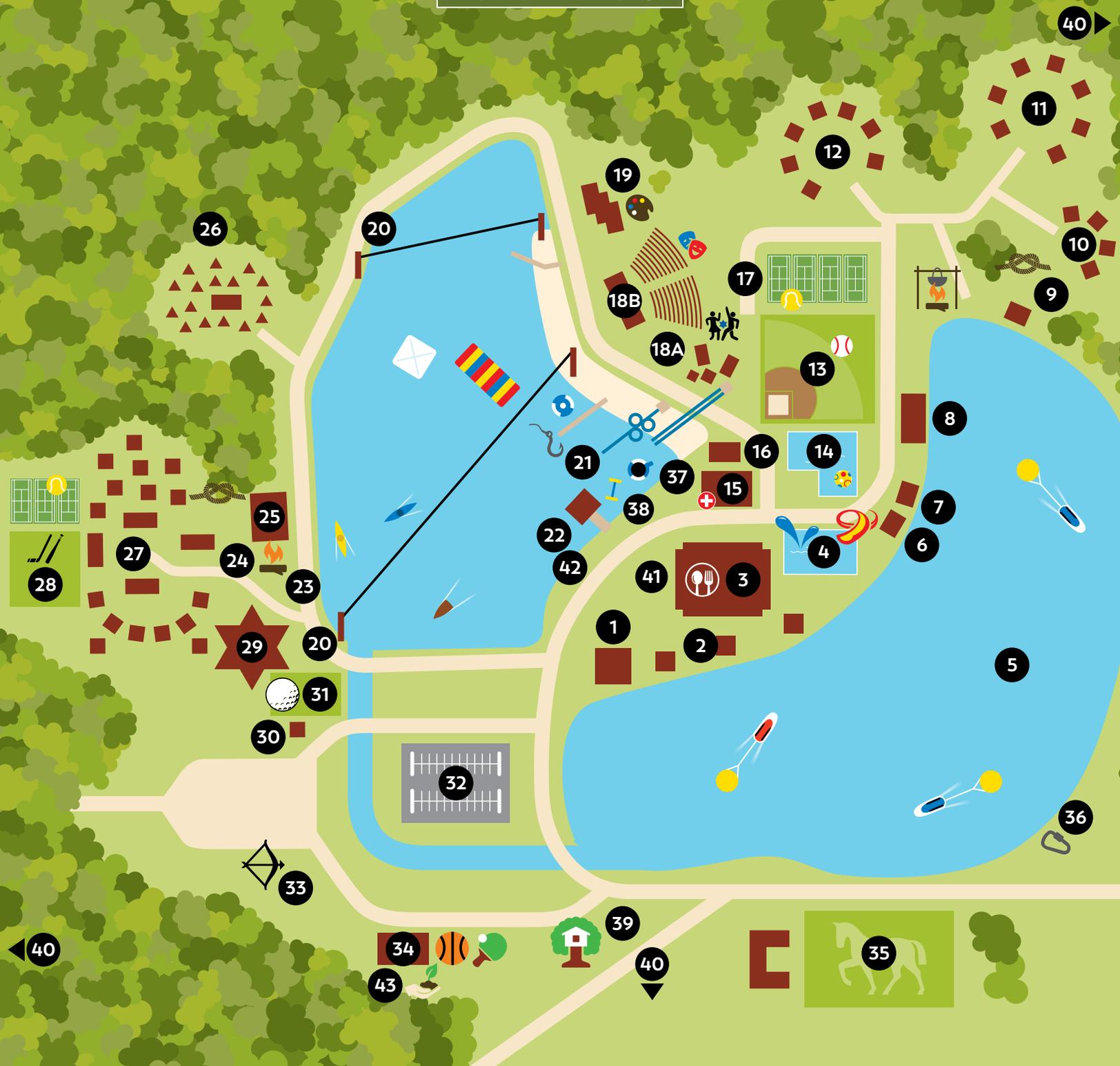
**Financial Assistance & Grants:** Camp Barney offers grant and financial assistance opportunities. To see if you qualify, visit [onehappycamper.org](http://onehappycamper.org). For scholarship information, you are welcome to pursue a confidential conversation with Barbara Vahaba, Financial Assistance Coordinator, at 678.812.4142.

**Sibling Discount:** We offer a sibling discount of \$100 off for the first sibling and \$400 off per sibling after the first sibling.

**Canteen Fee:** Covers daily canteen snack, camper t-shirt, camper laundry, and other incidentals.

# CAMP BARNEY MAP

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1. Camp Office
2. Director's House & Adult Housing
3. Alterman Lodge (Dining Hall)
4. Lynne M. and Howard I. Halpern Aquatic Center
5. Lake Louis
  - Water Skiing
  - Knee Boarding
  - Tubing
  - ZUP Boarding
  - Fishing
  - Shubin Water Ski Docks
6. The Lounge
7. Cabin 20
8. The Lodge
9. Nature Crafts
  - Ropes Course
  - Outdoor Cooking
10. Village 1
11. Village 2
12. Village 3
13. Junior Ball Field
14. Jacobs Swimming Pool
15. Billi and Bernie Marcus Health Center
16. Old City Kitchen Cooking School
  - Canteen
  - Mail Center
17. Eichel Tennis Center
18. The Marcus Cultural & Performing Arts Center
  - A. Asher & Grace Benator Center
    - Radio Station
    - Dance Center, Yoga
    - Sababa Israeli Cultural Center
    - Movie Studios
    - Music Center
    - Mercaz Horesh
    - Dorothy's Deck
  - B. The Chippie Amphitheatre
19. Shirley Halpern Arts & Crafts Center
20. The Omega Double Zip Line
  - Alpha Zip Line
21. Lake Wendy & Beach
  - Boating
  - Blob
  - Fishing
  - Saturn
  - Iceberg
  - The Hurricane Waterslide
  - Rave Water Trampolines
  - Canoeing & Kayaking
  - Paddle Boarding
  - Pedal Boards
22. The Glass Pavilion Sukkah
23. Campfire Site
24. Ropes Courses
  - Climbing Walls
  - Vertical Challenge Courses
25. Babbit Center
26. JIT Village
27. Arogeti/Wynne Teen Village
28. Arogeti/Wynne Sports Complex
  - Michael's Field
  - Tennis
  - Basketball
29. Doris Zaban Chapel
30. Sam's Deck
31. Golf Course/Driving Range
32. Parking Lot
33. Archery
34. Bernard Halpern Activity Center
  - Basketball
  - Martial Arts
  - Amphitheater
  - Table Tennis
  - Fencing
  - Mountain Biking
35. Brill Equestrian Center
36. Tree Climbing Center
37. The Finn Water Luge
38. Emily's Zoola
39. Fogey's Tree House
40. Campsites
41. Jen's Zen Den
42. The Gail and Lyons Den
43. Organic Garden



AT CAMP BARNEY,

◇ WE ARE TAUGHT TO ◇

**EMBRACE**

THE SIMPLICITY OF LIFE,  
**THE WONDERS OF  
NATURE,**

— THE IMPORTANCE OF —

*self-reliance,*

AND THE VALUE OF

**TEAMWORK.**

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*participating*  
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— AND FEELING —

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