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June 3–August 22 | 18 Months–Grade 11

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2025 At a Glance



Camp Type	Grade	Session 1	Session 2	Session 3	Session 4
TRADITIONAL					
Keshet Toddlers	18–23 mos	June 16–July 11	July 14–Aug 8		
Keshet Traditional	2–4 yrs	June 16–July 11	July 14–Aug 8		
Keshet Spanish Immersion	3 & 4 years	June 16–July 11	July 14–Aug 8		
Gesher	K–3	June 16–July 11	July 14–Aug 8		
Gesher LEGO®	K–3	June 16–July 11			
Gesher Spanish	K–3	June 16–July 11	July 14–Aug 8		
Gesher Hebrew	1–3	June 16–July 11			
Gesher STREAM	K–1		July 14–Aug 8		
Gesher Music	2–3		July 14–Aug 8		
Hevra	4–7	June 16–27	June 30–July 11	July 14–25	July 28–Aug 8
SPORTS					
Gesher Sports	K–1	June 16–July 11	July 14–Aug 8		
Kadima Sports	2–3	June 16–27	June 30–July 11	July 14–25	July 28–Aug 8
Maccabiah	4–6	June 16–27	June 30–July 11	July 14–25	July 28–Aug 8
THEATRE					
Gesher Theatre	K–1	June 16–July 11	July 14–Aug 8		
Kochavim Theatre	2–3	June 16–July 11	July 14–Aug 8		
Theatre Arts Immersive Boot Camp	4–9	June 16–27			
Habima	4–6		June 30–Aug 8		
Bidur	7–9		June 30–Aug 8		
TEENS					
Tsofim Caravan	6–9	June 16–27	June 30–July 11	July 14–25	July 28–Aug 8
Counselor-In-Training (CIT)	10–11	June 16–July 25	July 28–Aug 8		

PRE-CAMP

- June 3–6 (4 days: Tues–Fri)**
- Itty Bitty Hip-Hop Dance K–3
 - Funster Detective K–3
 - Mine, Craft, Build: Survival Game using Lego® Materials 3–6
 - Dances of the World 3–6
- June 9–13**
- Crazy Science K–3
 - Funster Sports K–3
 - Little Chefs K–3
 - Explore Coding using Lego® 3–6
 - Spike Prime System 2–6
 - Hook, Line, & Sinkers 3–6

POST-CAMP

- SESSION 1: Aug 11–15**
- Minecraft Robotics using LEGO® Spike Prime System K–3
 - Around the World Cooking K–3
 - Ceramics/Art 1–3
 - Fencing 2–6
 - Horseback Riding 3–7
- POST-CAMP**
- SESSION 2: Aug 18–22**
- Breakfast All Day Cooking K–6



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PLEASE NOTE: Camp Grades are determined by the 2025-2026 Academic Year • Programming and activities subject to change at Director’s discretion
No camp on Friday, July 4 • Minimum enrollment required

Traditional CAMPS

CAMP KESHET (Rainbow)

TODDLERS* Ages 18–23 Months

Two 4-week sessions

SESSION 1: June 16–July 11 **SESSION 2: July 14–Aug 8**

2 half days or full days | 3 half days or full days

5 half days or full days

Discover one of San Diego's premier toddler programs, catering to 18-23 month olds with individualized attention from our exceptional and dedicated staff. Focused on fostering social, emotional, physical, and intellectual growth, our program provides a nurturing, playful, and safe environment for your little one's development. Trust us to guide your toddler through this crucial stage with care and expertise.

TRADITIONAL* Ages 2–4

Two 4-week sessions

SESSION 1: June 16–July 11 **SESSION 2: July 14–Aug 8**

5 half days or full days

Camp Keshet in the Nierman Preschool offers a daily adventure for your preschooler with theme-based activities focused on fun, swimming, art, sports, drama, science, and nature. Our skilled staff provides quality multisensory experiences, fostering your child's curiosity and imagination in a loving, safe, and nurturing environment. The five-full-day program includes enrichment activities and exciting field trips for four year olds, ensuring a well-rounded and engaging educational experience. Join us for a journey where play and learning go hand in hand!

SPANISH IMMERSION* Ages 3 & 4

Two 4-week sessions

SESSION 1: June 16–July 11 **SESSION 2: July 14–Aug 8**

5 half days or full days

Studies reveal that bilingual children experience enhanced self-esteem, cultural acceptance, and improved proficiency in math and science. In this proven language immersion initiative, preschoolers engage in the exciting activities of Camp Keshet while exclusively speaking and listening in Spanish. Tailored for those with minimal or no Spanish background, it's an adventure in language and culture for young learners. Join us for a fun and enriching experience!

*CAMP KESHET WEEKLY THEMES

Week 1: Yeah, It's Summer

Week 2: Slippery Fish Swimming in the Water

Week 3: From Sea to Shining Sea (4th of July)

Week 4: It's a Pirate's Life

Week 5: Sounds of Nature

Week 6: I Spy

Week 7: Going to the Zoo

Week 8: Tu B'Av Day of Love





CAMP GESHER (Bridge) Grades K-3

Two 4-week sessions

SESSION 1: June 16–July 11 **SESSION 2: July 14–Aug 8**

In Camp Geshher, your child will enjoy a variety of summer activities as they develop existing skills and acquire new ones. On the first day, Geshher campers choose their own chugim (electives) based on their personal interests and grades. Weekly themes and field trips provide a framework for this spirited camp. On Fridays, campers enjoy story time in the Astor Judaic Library. Each session, campers participate in a late-night activity that includes sports, games, dinner, and a movie.

SESSION 1: Chugim

Grades K-1: GARDENING, BASKETBALL, ART

Grades 2-3: VOLLEYBALL, ART

SESSION 2: Chugim

Grades K-1: T-BALL, CRAFTS, MUSIC & MOVEMENT

Grades 2-3: SOCCER, ART

CAMP GESHER: LEGO® Grades K-3

One 4-week session: **June 16–July 11**

Geshher Lego® offers a wide range of activities, including crafts, swimming, sports, and music, alongside their specialty programs.

STEM Discovery using LEGO® Materials Grades K-1

Let your imagination run wild with tens of thousands of LEGO® parts! Build engineer-designed projects as you discover the world around us through our inquiry-based learning model. Projects are rotated seasonally to ensure that both new and returning students can explore the endless creative possibilities of the LEGO® building system.

STEM Innovations using LEGO® Materials Grades 2-3

Design and innovate with Play-Well TEKologies and tens of thousands of LEGO® parts! Apply real-world concepts in physics, engineering, and architecture through engineer-designed projects and an inquiry-based learning classroom model. Projects are rotated seasonally to ensure that even returning students get a new experience. Time to see STEM in action!

CAMP GESHER: SPANISH Grades K-3

Two 4-week session

SESSION 1: June 16–July 11 **SESSION 2: July 14–Aug 8**

Have a blast this summer learning Spanish. The secret to optimizing fluency is to be in an immersive environment while having fun. Campers will enjoy sports, swimming, art/theater, and much more. A rich and cultural linguistic experience that incorporates games, interactive activities, culture, field trips, and STEAM in Spanish! We will go on field trips, and you will be amazed at how much fun your camper will have while learning and enhancing their language skills. All levels are welcome! Your camper will speak Spanish from drop off to pick up with their counselors, teachers, and friends!

CAMP GESHER: HEBREW Grades 1-3

One 4-week session: **June 16–July 11**

Have a wonderful summer speaking Hebrew! Campers will be Immersed in an engaging Hebrew experience. Singing, dancing, cooking, Israeli sports, and games will be a part of this fun 4-week camp designed to promote fluency and comfort while enjoying sports, art, swimming, and all of the benefits of traditional camp. Hebrew will be the primary language used to converse with peers and counselors in the natural fun camp environment.

CAMP GESHER: STREAM Grades K-1

One 4-week session: **July 14–Aug 8**

STREAM stands for Science, Technology, Reading, Engineering, Art, and Math and this camp focuses on each of these concepts. Living in our ever-changing world, it is vital for young learners to have opportunities to explore a variety of subjects. This camp's content will help campers apply their skills and knowledge to real-world situations and prepare them for the start of the school year. Mornings will be more classroom-based teaching, and in the afternoon children will participate in more typical camp activities.

CAMP GESHER: INTRO TO MUSIC Grades 2-3

One 4-week session: **July 14–Aug 8**

Are you interested in learning a musical skill/instrument, but not sure, which is your favorite? Second and third graders have a rare and thrilling opportunity at our amazing 4-week camp. Campers will learn the fundamentals of playing the recorder, keyboard, violin, and African drums, make instruments, and learn voice techniques. No previous experience is required. Campers will also get to enjoy all the traditional Camp Jaycee activities. Get ready to make music and have a blast!

Traditional CAMPS

CAMP HEVRA (Friendship Group) Grades 4-7

Four 2-week sessions

SESSION 1: June 16-27 **SESSION 2: June 30- July 11** **SESSION 3: July 14-25** **SESSION 4: July 28-Aug 8**

Hevra campers have a great summer ahead filled with a wide range of activities such as crafts, swimming, sports, and music. Don't miss out on this fulfilling and extraordinary experience! *One of the two-week sessions will be traditional camp and the other week will be focusing on the theme as described below.*

SESSION 1: MYTHBUSTERS (DURING WEEK 2)

Are you ready for science...with a bang (it's safe, don't worry)?! If you answered yes, then come join us at Mythbusters camp! True to the theme of the show, campers will get to experiment and learn a lot about physics and chemistry, while having a blast making things pop, squish, grow, shrink, change color, and yes, even occasionally go boom (it's safe, we swear). These are scientific experiments taught by experienced professionals that you can try at home! (berets and mustaches not included... or maybe they are, we haven't decided yet).

SESSION 2: CELEBRITY CHEF COOKING (DURING WEEK 2)

This unique cooking camp is all about learning the styles and doing our best to replicate dishes that have been made by some of the most famous chefs in the world! Each day will be a look at a different celebrity chef, their most common types of cooking (where the food originates from), ingredients and cooking methods that they have perfected, and the dishes themselves that the given chef would consider their specialty. No matter which chef or style of cooking is your favorite, you are sure to learn something in this camp that will elevate the level of your own signature dishes!

SESSION 3: MACHINE MAYHEM USING LEGO® MATERIALS (DURING WEEK 2)

Design your custom LEGO® creation to take on any challenge. Mix and match chassis designs using wheels, treads, or walking legs and then combine these with tools like drills, hammers, and battering rams. You will refine your masterpiece by sparring with friends and overcoming obstacles all while applying real-world engineering and physics concepts to help you bash and crash your way to victory!

SESSION 4: MARINE SCIENCE CAMP* (DURING WEEK 1)

Dive into the excitement of Mission Bay Aquatics Center's Ocean Exploration Camp! Unleash your inner scientist by testing water quality off MBAC's dock, proposing hypotheses, and analyzing results. Discover the microscopic world of plankton and get hands-on building your underwater explorer. Join the kayak adventure to explore Mission Bay's ecosystems, catch creatures with a net, and dive into the sensory world of sea creatures. It's all about fun, discovery, and getting your hands wet in this action-packed marine science camp!

**Additional waiver must be signed to participate*



Sports CAMPS

CAMP GESHER SPORTS (Bridge) Grades K-1

Two 4-week sessions

SESSION 1: June 16–July 11 **SESSION 2: July 14–Aug 8**

Do you have an athlete at home? If your grade K-1 child is sports-minded, Geshher Sports introduces campers to a wide variety of traditional sports. From T-ball to flag football, campers have fun learning basic sports rules, fundamental skills, and teamwork. Days are set up in a block time schedule during which campers receive personalized instruction in the morning and rachmanus-centered (good sportsmanship) competition playing time in the afternoon. Each session is complemented with traditional activities such as arts & crafts, music, swimming, weekly field trips, and a late night

SESSION 1: SOCCER, BASKETBALL, KICKBALL, SPORTS WEEK

SESSION 2: BASKETBALL, SPORTS WEEK, FLAG FOOTBALL, T-BALL

CAMP KADIMA JR. SPORTS (Go Forward)

Grades 2-3

Four 2-week sessions

SESSION 1: June 16-27

SESSION 2: June 30-July 11

SESSION 3: July 14-25

SESSION 4: July 28-Aug 8

A sports-filled summer awaits your child at Camp Kadima. Each week focuses on a new sport, offering your child exposure to a variety of athletic opportunities. From traditional sports (basketball, soccer, pickleball, spikeball, surfing, and golf) to more extreme sports (fencing and aquatic activities at the bay), Camp Kadima stresses teamwork and the fundamental skills necessary to participate and compete successfully. Camp Kadima features professional instruction by our friends at **Sorrento Canyon Golf** and surfing with **Surf Sessions**. Spikeball takes place both in the park and at the beach. Days are set up in a block time schedule in which campers receive personalized instruction in the morning and rachmanus (good sportsmanship) competition playing time in the afternoon. Each session is complemented with traditional activities such as arts & crafts, music, swimming, and weekly field trips.

SESSION 1: Week 1: **SOCCER**
Week 2: **SURFING***

SESSION 2: Week 1: **BASKETBALL**
Week 2: **FENCING***

SESSION 3: Week 1: **FLAG FOOTBALL**
Week 2: **DAYS AT THE BAY***
(MISSION BAY AQUATIC CENTER)

SESSION 4: Week 1: **GOLF***
Week 2: **PICKLEBALL/SPIKEBALL**

**Additional waiver must be signed to participate*



CAMP MACCABIAH (Jewish Olympics) Grades 4-6

Four 2-week sessions

SESSION 1: June 16-27

SESSION 2: June 30-July 11

SESSION 3: July 14-25

SESSION 4: July 28-Aug 8

Designed for those who love sports! In each 2-week session, campers participate in weeklong specialized sports clinics. At least two hours every day are spent in skill development and games with our sports staff. Camp Maccabiah is complemented by an overnight trip to Catalina, archery, ocean sports with **Bike & Kayak, Inc.**, and Ultimate Frisbee. Days are set up in a block time schedule in which campers receive personalized instruction in the morning and rachmanus (good sportsmanship) competition playing time in the afternoon. In addition, campers participate in weekly field trips, music, swimming, and arts & crafts.

SESSION 1: Week 1: **BASKETBALL**
Week 2: **OCEAN SPORTS* (BIKE & KAYAK, INC)**

SESSION 2: Week 1: **SOCCER/FOOT GOLF**
Week 2: **KNOTT'S BERRY FARM***

SESSION 3: Week 1: **ULTIMATE FRISBEE**
Week 2: **CATALINA TRIP (overnight 3 days/2 nights)***

SESSION 4: Week 1: **ARCHERY**
Week 2: **VOLLEYBALL**

**Additional waiver must be signed to participate*

Theatre CAMPS

CAMP GESHER THEATRE Grades K-1

Two 4-week sessions

SESSION 1: June 16–July 11 | Showcase July 10

SESSION 2: July 14–Aug 8 | Showcase Aug 7

Young performers will sing, dance, and act the summer away! Campers will play theatre games, learn theatre terms, and focus on facial expression, body language, and projection. They will also participate in swim lessons, arts & crafts, sports, and field trips. The fourth week of each session campers will culminate and present a showcase for family and friends.

CAMP KOCHAVIM (Stars) Grades 2-3 Jr. Performing Arts

Two 4-week sessions

SESSION 1: June 16–July 11 | Performance July 9

SESSION 2: July 14–Aug 8 | Performance Aug 6

Campers in Kochavim audition for a role in their session's production. Each camper is cast in a show and learns about the stage, backstage, costumes, makeup, scenery, and performing. All campers practice their singing, dancing, and acting skills. In addition to rehearsing their production, campers enjoy swim lessons, arts & crafts, sports, field trips, and theatre outings. At the end of each session, there will be a performance of a beloved musical production by the campers.

THEATRE ARTS IMMERSIVE BOOT CAMP Grades 4-9

One 2-week session: **June 16–27 | Performance June 26**

Does your camper have a passion for performing, dancing, or working behind the scenes? Camp Jaycee & JCompany is offering an exciting and dynamic experience where campers can choose from a variety of electives including Comedy, Dance, Technical Theatre, and Acting.

Campers will choose one of their focused discipline for the 2-week session.

DANCE: Help develop choreography in the art of musical theater as well as perform the dances in the final production.

COMEDY: Learn the art of comedic timing, improvisation and perform in the final production.

TECHNICAL THEATER: Discover the behind-the-scenes magic of costuming, lighting and set creation. All designs that will be featured in the final production.

ACTING: Learn various acting styles and techniques and then perform in the final production.

Each day includes a mix of specialized Intensive workshops, traditional camp activities like swimming, arts & crafts, and music, and plenty of opportunities to build skills, creativity, and confidence.

The session culminates in an exciting collaborative final performance on June 26, where family and friends can enjoy the hard work, creativity, and talent of our campers as they come together to put on an unforgettable show!





CAMP HABIMA (Stage) Grades 4-6
Workshop & Summer Stock

One 6-week session: **June 30–August 8** | **Performance Aug 5**

This intensive workshop will carry campers to new levels of excellence by recognizing each camper's individual talent and giving them building blocks to grow as performers. Included are courses in voice, acting, playwriting, and dance, plus traditional camp activities such as arts & crafts, music, swimming, weekly field trips, and late-night events. Auditions will be held within the first week. Everyone receives a role! The session wraps up with a full-length musical production for family and friends. One of the highlights of the session is a day trip to **Knott's Berry Farm** with a late pickup at camp that evening.

CAMP BIDUR (Entertainment) Grades 7-9
Musical Theatre Camp

One 6-week session: **June 30–August 8** | **Performance Aug 4**

The goal at Camp Bidur is to boost the camper's skills in acting, singing, dancing, and playwriting while building confidence and self-esteem. Campers will present a musical theatre production after creating costumes and set designs with experts and exploring technical elements of theatre. Campers will also go on field trips and engage in traditional camp activities such as arts & crafts, swimming and late nights, and a day trip to **Knott's Berry Farm** with a late pickup at camp that evening.

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*Not applicable to preschool bundle rates, Hevra, Maccabiah, Tsofim Caravan, CIT, Pre/Post camps, or any new camps for 2025.



Teen CAMPS



Tsofim Caravan (Scouts) Grades 6-9

Four 2-week sessions

SESSION 1: June 16-27 **SESSION 2: June 30-July 11**

SESSION 3: July 14-25 **SESSION 4: July 28-Aug 8**

Tsofim Caravan brings together pre-teens from all over San Diego to share in four different adventures. Campers bond and form close relationships as they enjoy summer experiences together and participate in various sports, games, art, music, swimming, and overnight adventures. *One of the two-week sessions will be traditional camp and the other week will be focusing on a theme.*

SESSION 1: MISSION BAY AQUATIC CENTER* (DURING WEEK 2)

Let's start the summer with a SPLASH! Mission Bay Aquatic Center will help us get wet and wild with fun activities such as tubing, knee boarding, and more! Teens will spend 5 days at the bay participating in all sorts of fun-in-the-sun activities. You won't want to miss one of the most popular sessions of the summer!

SESSION 2: WHITEWATER RAFTING* (DURING WEEK 2)

Love adventure, camping, and trying new things? Then join us as we head north for a whitewater rafting expedition! The first week of the session will be spent in San Diego catching waves, playing games, and having a blast while we prepare for our journey. During the second week, we will head up to Northern California for hiking, rafting, and exploring the beautiful nature all around the **Kings River** or **American River** (depending on water levels). Teens will camp on the banks of the thundering river and enjoy timeless activities like crafts, sing-alongs, and of course, s'mores!

SESSION 3: ADVENTURE AWAITS: 2-NIGHT TEEN CAMP GETAWAY!* (DURING BOTH WEEKS)

Get ready for an unforgettable 2-night camping at adventure packed with fun, friends, and thrills. Start with classic campfire nights under the stars—think s'mores, games, and stories that will have you laughing for days. Hiking and enjoying walking in Julian and having some apple pie Then, brace yourself for the ultimate excitement as we hit San Diego's best water park and rollercoasters! Splash, slide, and scream your way through a day of epic rides and endless fun.

SESSION 4: PADDLE SPORTS* (DURING WEEK 2)

Back by popular demand, we're headed for the beach! Join all of your Tsofim friends this session and have a great time doing paddle sports, including kayaking and stand-up paddling — one of San Diego's most popular — taught by the experts from Mission Bay Aquatic Center.

*Additional waiver must be signed to participate

COUNSELOR-IN-TRAINING (CIT) Grades 10-11

6-WEEK SESSION: June 16-July 25 **2-WEEK ADD-ON: July 28-Aug 8**

Let us train you to be the best camp counselor you can be in our counselor-in-training (CIT) Camp! Each week campers will learn about camp leadership and everything necessary to be a great counselor for a variety of age groups, including tips and tricks for group management, curriculum development, games, crafts, and other activities that can be done with campers, plus first aid instruction (with certification). Throughout the weeks they will have direct experience helping within the camps.



Join Our Team!

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CAMP COUNSELORS and LIFEGUARDS

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Pre CAMPS

WEEK 1 | June 3–6

ITTY BITTY HIP-HOP DANCE Grades K–3

Get ready to bust a move with our Itty Bitty Hip-Hop Dance camp! Campers will get to dance and learn some basic hip-hop choreography. Everyone will get to work on their moves and create a freestyle routine. This camp allows campers to show off what they can do on the dance floor!

FUNSTER DETECTIVES Grades K–3

A simplified version of our returning detective camps, Funster Detectives will test campers' ability to problem-solve using more basic items that are more age appropriate for younger elementary school aged kids. This camp is a great way for your little camper to test their comprehension of items such as letters, numbers, colors, pattern recognition, and simplified logic puzzles that will be the basis of our mysteries, and can be adjusted in difficulty by our educator to match your child's comprehension level.

MINE, CRAFT, BUILD: SURVIVAL GAME USING LEGO® MATERIALS Grades 3–6

Bring Minecraft to life using LEGO® bricks! Resourcefulness, creativity, and cooperation come together in this unique building adventure game; roll the dice to mine for resources, craft tools, and watch out for Creepers! This ultimate LEGO® Minecraft experience is an original game designed by Play-Well instructors, using gameplay elements and characters inspired by the popular Minecraft video game. Students will have a blast, even without any prior experience with Minecraft or LEGO® materials.

DANCES OF THE WORLD Grades 3–6

Great exercise for the body and mind! Learn a variety of dance styles and learn about the cultures and traditions that inspired them! Each day campers will be learning a different dance style from one of our instructors and will be able to show off the dance of their choice for family and friends at an end-of-the-week dance show!

WEEK 2 | June 9–13

CRAZY SCIENCE Grades K–3

A fusion of our time-tested Physics and Chemistry Camps, Crazy Science Camp will explore the many, many crazy and wonderful things that science can do!

FUNSTER SPORTS Grades K–3

The perfect camp for your little athlete, Funster Sports camp introduces campers to versions of many popular sports, such as baseball, soccer, volleyball, badminton, over-the-line, and many more. We will also take campers through drills for each sport to work on their basic skills, and stretching! This camp is perfect for your camper!

LITTLE CHEFS Grades K–3

Does your child look on as people do things in the kitchen with the desire to see what it's all about? Are you thinking that you just can't wait until you can just tell your child to go make some food for themselves instead of coming to you every time? Do you want to encourage your child's independence and self-confidence? If you answered yes to any of those, then we have your answer right here: introducing Little Chefs, where campers will learn how to make a variety of treats that are as delicious as they are easy to make!

EXPLORE CODING USING LEGO® SPIKE PRIME SYSTEM Grades 2–6

Rise to the challenge to build and program robots using the LEGO® Spike Prime system! Learn about mechanical and software design, loops, conditional statements, problem solving, and teamwork skills. Design and construct your robot to avoid obstacles, pick up and carry objects, and play sounds. Projects are structured so that students work in an open-ended, investigative environment while having fun.

HOOK, LINE & SINKER Grades 3–6

One of our most popular camps, Hook, Line and Sinker Camp takes campers around to some of the best fishing spots in the county to try their hand at reeling in the big catch! We teach the fundamentals of fishing, such as how to put together the best line for the location and desired catch, how to safely handle a rod to prevent harm to yourself and those around you, and the little behaviors that will better your chances of catching a fish. Throughout the week we will take them pier fishing at various locations, and out on a half-day boat to go out onto the open water after the biggest catches possible. Don't have your own rod? No problem! While we encourage campers to bring their own rods, we do have loaner rods for those who don't have their own that will still do the trick.

Post CAMPS

WEEK 1 | August 11–15

MINECRAFT ROBOTICS USING LEGO® SPIKE PRIME SYSTEM Grades K–3

Venture into the world of Minecraft while learning to build and program robots in this introductory Robotics class using the LEGO® Spike Prime® system. Join us as we learn basic programming skills while traveling through biomes, harvesting resources, and battling the Ender Dragon. Students will work in pairs to build LEGO® based projects incorporating motors, sensors and lights as we adventure with Steve!

AROUND THE WORLD COOKING Grades K–3

The Around the World Cooking Camp teaches campers how to make many foods using a wide variety of cooking methods. Children will learn how to perform cooking methods such as proper cutting, boiling, and pan frying in as safe an environment as possible, and under the watchful eyes of some of our most experienced teachers. Your camper will learn how to make dishes from different cultures, including but not limited to Israeli, Latin American, Asian, American, Italian, Indian, and others (regional food presented in camp depends on our teacher, as each has different regional specialties and themes).

CERAMICS/ART Grades 1–3

This camp promises to be a very creative and fun-filled week of hand-building in clay. Campers use slabs, coils, pinch pots, and a multitude of glazing options while creating animals, tea sets vases, sea life, and other imaginative works of art. Projects include drawing, watercolor painting, and ceramics. All activities are age-appropriate and encourage individual expression. Taught by Avril Butbul, Who has over 30 years of experience.

FENCING* Grades 2–6

En Garde, Ready? Fence! Camp Jaycee is partnering with Team Touché to help refine free-swinging students into deft deflectors and Z-carving virtuosos. They are also challenged to learn French and Italian terminology embedded in this classical sport. With Team Touché, campers will glean knowledge and techniques from a group of coaches boasting many years of experience and a bevy of swashbuckling high-seas tales. Campers pursue whole-body fitness while partaking in engaging activities.

HORSEBACK RIDING* Grades 3–7

All aspects of horsemanship and sportsmanship are taught in the fun and safe environment at Rockin' L&D Ranch. Not only will your campers get on a horse every day, they will also learn everything that goes into taking care of a horse! Your campers will learn all about Horsemanship: the "total package", an overall understanding of horses, Horse Behavior, Horse Grooming, Leading Horses, Tacking-Up, Western Dressage, traditional Western Riding Skills, Ranch Skills: Goat tying, weighing feed, and horses, horse bathing, cleaning stalls and saddles, and barrel vaulting. Rockin' L&D Ranch follows the high standards and protocols of the Certified Horsemanship Association. On the last day, campers participate in a horse show and skill demonstration where a photographer will capture all of your camper's skills! Mid-afternoon Showcase on Friday.

WEEK 2 | August 18–22

BREAKFAST ALL DAY COOKING Grades K–6

In this classic cooking camp, we will be focusing on everything that is breakfast! We will make classics that already love, as well as items that may not be your first thought for a breakfast but are still absolutely fantastic meals to start your day! They say breakfast is the most important meal of the day, so let us show you a huge array of breakfast options, and how to make all of them spectacular!

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General INFORMATION

Q&A with Sandy

Bus Transportation Grades K-11

Between June 16 and August 8, 2025, limited transportation is available for campers four years and older from designated sites in the following areas (subject to minimum enrollment):

- Carmel Valley • Del Cerro • Encinitas
- 4s Ranch • Rancho Bernardo • Downtown*

Transportation is available on a first-come, first-served basis.

*Transportation for downtown is offered from June 16–July 11.

NOTE: Children are riding to and from camp in a van (not a school bus) If your child is under age 8 or under 4'9" you must supply a booster seat.

Please be advised: If your child misses the bus four consecutive days without notification, he/she will be dropped from the bus roster.

Extended Care

Extended hours before and after camp are available for an additional fee. After extended hours for camp keshet aged campers are available only after 3:30pm. There is an additional fee per child per child per half hour.

Multi-Session Sibling Discount

The discount is based on total weeks registered per family:

4 weeks \$25 camp Keshet (3 full/5 half days) | 4 weeks \$40

6 weeks \$60

8 weeks \$80 Camp Keshet (3 full/5 half days) | 8 weeks \$80

12 weeks \$120

16 weeks \$200*

*There is a maximum of a \$200 discount per family.

Not applicable for preschool and camp and preschool bundle rates, specialty camps, Hevra, Maccabiah, Tsofim Caravan, CIT, and 1 week camps.

JCC Financial Assistance

Financial assistance for Camp Jaycee is made possible through the generosity of our community's philanthropic supporters.

For more information, please visit campjaycee.com/financial-assistance.

Alternative Payment Program

You may also qualify for the Alternative Payment Program, a public funding option that helps partially cover the cost of Camp Jaycee.

Learn more at childcaresandiego.com

Flexible Payment Plans

After registering, you can begin making payments toward Camp Jaycee fees on a schedule that works for your budget. Please note that all camp fees must be paid in full prior to the start of camp.

Reach out to Sadeer Jumaah at sadeerj@lfccc.org for more information.

Camp Jaycee Director, Sandy Siperstein-Rafner answers questions from some of our most curious Camp Jaycee kids.



Danielle:

What plays and songs will the theatre camps do?



Sandy:

It changes every year and is a surprise!



Philip:

What is the length of the JCC's bus and how frequently is it used for trips?



Sandy:

We utilize the buses every single day for pick-up/drop-off and field trips. The length of the JCC bus is 40 feet long.



Ava:

How often do we swim?



Sandy:

Almost every day of the week except for special and field trip days!



Elijah:

How long has Camp Jaycee been around?



Sandy:

Since 1945! We are celebrating our 80th year this year!



Wolf:

What is your favorite thing about camp?



Sandy:

Seeing every camper past and present enjoying their summer at Camp Jaycee!

Early Bird SPECIAL

Register by March 1, 2025 and receive 2024 Pricing!

Sign up now!

*Not applicable to preschool bundle rates, Hevra, Maccabiah, Tsofim Caravan, CIT, Pre/Post camps, or any new camps for 2025.



MORE *About Camp*

Why Camp Jaycee?

1 We are Nationally Accredited

We are both **American Camping Association (ACA)** and **National Inclusion Project (NIP)** accredited which means that our camp has undergone a thorough (up to 300 standards) review of operation — from staff qualifications and training to emergency management. **ACA collaborates with experts from American Academy of Pediatrics, the American Red Cross, and other youth-serving agencies** to ensure that current practices reflect the most up-to-date research-based standards in camp operation. **NIP Accreditation is one of the country's gold standard inclusive recreation providers! The NIP recognizes camps that meet the highest standards of inclusion.** We are inclusive, in mission, design and practice and Camp Jaycee serves as a model summer camp welcoming and serving children of all abilities.

2 Transportation To and From Camp

We **currently offer transportation** to and from Rancho Bernardo, 4S Ranch, Del Cerro, Del Mar, Carmel Valley, and downtown.

3 A Full Day Schedule

A full day of Camp Jaycee **is from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm, with additional hours before and after** available through our Extended Care program.

4 Swimming Lessons and Recreation

Campers swim every day! The Friedenbergs Olympic-size pool has a full deck, a large wading pool, and a huge jacuzzi. American Red Cross-certified instructors provide swim lessons for children from four years to third grade.

5 The Perfect Place, The Perfect Space!

We provide everything kids need to have fun indoors and out! Camps take complete advantage of the fantastic JCC facilities including: Friedenbergs Olympic-size pool, the 500-seat David & Dorothea Garfield Theatre, the Gotthelf Dance Studio, the Royston Science Lab, the lush Edgar Berner Family Ball Fields, Albert A. Hutler Tennis Courts, and much more.

6 Safety First, and Always

Our staff is not only trained in providing fun and engaging activities to kids of all ages, they're also **safety experts. CPR-trained lifeguards and camp staff, along with our low staff-to-camper ratio,** ensure Camp Jaycee is enjoyable and safe. Additionally, the JCC is located next door to the Northern Division of the San Diego Police and Fire Department.

7 Everyone is Invited!

Since 1945, we've been providing campers with adventure, friendship, and memories. **You'll find kids of all races, religions, and nationalities enjoying Camp Jaycee.** There are scholarships available and easy access for children with disabilities. Flexible monthly payment plans are available for summer camp.

8 Staff Excellence

When it comes to the staff, no other camp comes close to Camp Jaycee. Our highly qualified staff are American Camping Association (ACA)-trained with focus on child development, group dynamics, age-appropriate programming, first aid, and more. Hands-on attention is guaranteed. **Camp Jaycee has one of the best staff-to-camper ratios in San Diego.**

Create a Jewish Camp Legacy

Anyone of any age is welcome to join **The Joan & Irwin Jacobs JCC Jewish Legacy Society.** We invite you to sign a "letter of Intent" that indicates your commitment to formalize a plan providing a financial gift to Camp Jaycee in your Estate. Your support helps sustain the future of our camp and shows your deep love for and connection to Camp Jaycee.

Send a Child to Camp

Many children need your financial support so that they may benefit from the growth and enrichment of a day camp experience. You can help make it possible by donating to these worthy funds. Please send your tax-deductible contribution to the JCC Scholarship Fund. All donations are gratefully accepted.

Support a Camper with Special Needs

If you would like to sponsor a camper with special needs this summer, fill in the amount on the registration, and we'll take care of the rest. Donations of any denomination are greatly appreciated.

Contact: Ludivine De Anda at ludivined@lfjcc.org

Camp Jaycee Alumni

Join at lfjcc.org/alumni & let us connect you with other Camp Jaycee Alumni!

Camping with Olamim Grades K-5

Escape the ordinary and embrace the extraordinary with our Olamim outdoor camping program!

Immerse yourself in the beauty of nature and the thrill of adventure as you embark on an unforgettable camping experience. Olamim is a wonderful opportunity for dads and their children to meet new people, spend time together hiking, cozy tent living, doing crafts, roasting marshmallows, and enjoying Havdalah by the campfire under the stars. Pack your sense of adventure and join us for a weekend of camaraderie, exploration, and a rejuvenating break from the everyday hustle!

Price: \$225 | JCC Members: \$195

Prices include father & two children, campsite fees, activities, and Friday night dinner. Additional children: \$25/child. All other meals and expenses will be divided among the group.

Next trips:

Lake Morena | Fri, Mar 7–Sun, Mar 9

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From Hammers to Hoops: LIFELONG PASSIONS MEET NEW GENERATIONS AT CAMP JAYCEE

BY DAN SHAPIRO

At Camp Jaycee, something special is happening. Skills honed over lifetimes are being passed down to young campers in dynamic and heartfelt ways, thanks to retired JCC members who have found new ways to give back.

A Woodworking Vision takes Root

It all began when Phil Ginsburg, former JCC Board President, casually mentioned his love for tools during a chat with Camp Jaycee Director Sandy Siperstein-Rafner. He had no idea this conversation would spark a new chapter of involvement with the JCC—a place he's championed for decades. Inspired, Phil brought in his lifelong friends and talented woodworkers, Paul Treger and Howard Dworkin, to help provide a woodworking workshop for campers. The trio, friends for over 50 years, decided on birdhouse kits as a simple, hands-on project for the campers.

"We wanted to introduce tools to the kids," Phil explains, "and Sandy found someone to donate the funds for 30 sets of tools. Wow!"

Over two two-hour sessions, the three longtime friends guided campers through assembling the kits. Phil noted, *"The enthusiasm for the project blew me away."* Paul concurred, *"I was surprised how every child was so actively engaged and happy with what they were doing."*

Lifelong Friends Build Confidence

Howard shared Phil's sense of fulfillment. *"The kids were naturals,"* he said. *"I thought I'd have to walk them through every step, but they surprised me. Most of them figured it out intuitively, and it was amazing to see their confidence grow."*

Paul added, *"It was very gratifying to see the kids engaged and becoming proficient with tools that they were unfamiliar with, ending up with a project that they could be proud of and take home, and knowing how to do all of this safely."*

Full-Court Connections

Later in the summer, Phil ran into fellow retired attorney, and JCC member, Wayne Schwartz. Their conversation led to Wayne chatting about the topic with Sandy, where he half-joked that it was a shame he didn't have any useful skills like woodworking. That quip prompted her to suggest he share his passion for basketball.

"I've been playing ball at the J since it opened, so this felt like a natural fit," Wayne said. With Sandy's encouragement, he planned a 90-minute clinic for 20 campers that blended drills, races, and plenty of smiles and laughter.

Wayne also appreciated the importance of sharing the values of the game he loves. *"I think it's invaluable. Basketball teaches teamwork, coordination, athleticism, and competitiveness—within reason,"* he posited.

Reflecting on his experience, Wayne shared how much the clinic meant to him personally. *"It just puts you back to your youth. It's like a flashback, and when you see that unbridled enthusiasm, it's a full-circle kind of experience. It adds quality to your life and allows you to express yourself in ways you probably don't typically do in retirement."*

Camp Magic Spans Generations

From tools to teamwork, Camp Jaycee is creating opportunities for generations to connect in meaningful ways. For Phil, Paul, Howard, and Wayne, the rewards go far beyond the workshops and clinics, reminding everyone involved that it's never too late—or too early—to share a passion.

