

INFORMATION PACKET

תשפ"ה - 2025

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY



We are pleased to present this information packet to you. **There will be no other mailing regarding this information.** Please keep this handy and use as a guide. Should you have any other questions please feel free to call us.

1st TRIP:

CAMP BEGINS Thursday, June 26, 2:00 PM **END OF 1ST TRIP** Wednesday, July 23 10:00 AM

2nd TRIP:

CAMP BEGINS Thursday, July 24, 2:00 PM **CAMP ENDS** Wednesday, Aug. 20, 10:00 AM

FOR BOTH TRIPS

Campers cannot enter camp grounds before 2:00 P.M. unless special arrangements have been made with the office.

Parents must leave their children at the gate and cannot unpack for their children.

All campers must have an admission card to enter camp. Admission cards are only issued when the following have been completed:

1. Payments have been made. 2. A medical form and income eligibility form complete with all signatures are in our office.

Please note: Our city office will close on Monday, June 23 and will **א"ה reopen in camp on Wednesday, June 25.**

Please take care of all your obligations before we close. No business will be conducted while closed.



1st Trip Information

Transportation – Thursday, June 26

BUS RESERVATIONS ARE A MUST!

Price: \$25 Brooklyn/Passaic

There will be bus transportation from Brooklyn and Passaic. The bus from Brooklyn will leave **ב"ע** at 11:00 AM from 18th Ave. between 56th & 57th street. The bus from Passaic will leave **ב"ע** at 12:30 from the corner of Aycrig and Pennington. Please arrive ½ hour before departure time. **Please submit the enclosed reservation form by June 1** (when the buses are ordered). An admission card will be emailed to you once you have taken care of all your obligations. Only the following will be allowed onto the buses: Hand-bags, suit bags, hatboxes and musical instruments. All other luggage must go on the truck. (Out-of-towners who arrive in Brooklyn after luggage pickup may take their luggage on the bus.) Camp can assist campers arriving by air with reservations and transportation from the airport. Please call the office for more information.



Luggage – Wednesday, June 25

Luggage pickup is available from Brooklyn between 5:30-7:00 PM. There will be one pickup point on 18th Ave. between 56th & 57th St. The price is \$50 for 2 pieces of luggage to be paid at the truck. Checks are to be made out to Rabbi Ehrenreich. Additional pieces are \$15 each. **No fridges allowed.** All luggage must be labeled with your son's full name, address and current Hebrew grade (2024-2025). For luggage questions, including pickup in your area (ex: Passaic, Staten Island) call 917-747-5561

End of Trip -Wednesday, July 23 (1st half campers)

BUS RESERVATIONS A MUST (by June 1)

Price: \$25 Brooklyn/Passaic

Buses will leave camp at 10:15 AM and will **ב"ע** arrive in Passaic at the corner of Aycrig and Pennington at around approximately 12:00 PM and in Brooklyn at approx. 1:30 PM at **18th Ave between 56th & 57th St.** The price for luggage is \$50 for Passaic, and \$50 for Brooklyn to be paid upon luggage pickup. The luggage will arrive at or around the same time as the buses.



2nd Trip Information

Transportation -Thursday, July 24

BUS RESERVATIONS ARE A MUST!

Price: \$25 Brooklyn/Passaic

\$35 Lakewood

There will be bus transportation from Brooklyn, Lakewood and Passaic. The bus from Brooklyn will leave **ב"ע** at 11:00 AM from 18th Ave. between 56th & 57th street.

The bus from Lakewood will leave at 11:00 AM from Yeshiva Orchos Chaim 410 Oberlin Ave. The bus from Passaic will leave at approximately 12:45 PM from the corner of Aycrig and Pennington. Please arrive ½ hour before departure time. **Please submit the enclosed reservation form before July 1.** An admission card will be emailed to you once you have taken care of all your obligations. Only the following will be allowed onto the buses: Hand-bags, suit bags, hatboxes and musical instruments. All other luggage must go on the truck. (Out-of-towners who arrive in Brooklyn after luggage pickup may take their luggage on the bus.) You may call the office for assistance with travel to and from airports.



Luggage – Wednesday, July 23

Luggage pickup is available from Brooklyn between 6:00-7:00 PM on 18th Ave. between 56th & 57th St. and from Lakewood between 4:00 - 5:00 PM at Yeshiva Orchos Chaim 410 Oberlin Ave. The price for 2 pieces of luggage is \$50 from Brooklyn, & \$60 from Lakewood to be paid at the truck. Checks are to be made out to Rabbi Ehrenreich. Additional pieces are \$15 each. **No fridges allowed.** All luggage must be labeled with your son's full name, address and current Hebrew grade (2024-2025). For luggage questions, including pickup in your area (ex: Passaic, Five Towns, Staten Island, etc.) call 917-747-5561.

End of Summer – Wednesday, August 20

BUS RESERVATIONS A MUST

Price: \$25 Brooklyn/Passaic

\$35 Lakewood

Buses will leave camp at 10:00 AM and will **ב"ע** arrive in Passaic at the corner of Aycrig and Pennington at approx. 12:00 P.M. and in Brooklyn at approx. 1:30 PM at **18th Ave between 56th & 57th St.**

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The Lakewood bus will arrive at Yeshiva Orchos Chaim 410 Oberlin Ave. at approx. 1:30 PM. PLEASE BE AT THE PLACE OF ARRIVAL ON TIME.

LUGGAGE RETURN: August 20

Luggage will arrive in Passaic at the corner of Aycrig and Pennington at approximately 12:00 PM. Luggage will be in Boro Park between 2:00 and 3:00 **in the yard at Yeshiva Tiferes Elimelech 1650 56th Street**. The luggage for Lakewood will arrive at the same time as the buses at approximately 1:30 PM at Yeshiva Orchos Chaim 410 Oberlin Ave. The price is \$50 for Passaic, \$50 for Brooklyn and \$60 for Lakewood to be paid upon pickup. For other locations, please contact the luggage co. 1 week before departure. You can call the luggage company for updates on arrival times on August 20 after 12:00 PM.

LUGGAGE COMPANY: 917-747-5561

MEDICAL INFORMATION

Camp will not allow any exemptions for immunizations. All campers and staff must have all their immunizations up to date. Camp will be using the services of a physician who will be visiting camp regularly. Our medical director is Mrs. Rochel Vail שחת' an EMT who resides on camp grounds and sees campers as necessary. She will attempt to notify you if it is necessary for your son to see the doctor. Parents are responsible for any and all medical and pharmacy bills that are incurred including all copayments and deductibles. You will need to provide credit card information prior to your son's visit to the doctor. **All medications must be kept in the infirmary only and will be self-administered under the watchful eye of Mrs. Vail.** Please notify Mrs. Vail of any medications your son is bringing to camp. Her telephone number is on page 4. Our physician accepts most insurances.

SPECIAL DIETS: See paragraph on FOOD.

SEFORIM

Campers should bring the required seforim as per the enclosed "camper packing list". These seforim can also be purchased in camp at the following prices: **תנ"ה-\$25, תח"ט-\$15, תח"ט-\$10.** Please make sure your son has funds to make his purchase. All campers should bring along a notebook. 8th – 11th graders should also bring along the **סוכת** they learned this year for **סורה**.

TUTORING AND SWIMMING LESSONS

Private lessons are available in all subjects as well as for swimming. Please call the learning director of your son's division for **לימוד קידש** and the head lifeguard for swimming or lifeguarding lessons. Phone numbers on page 4.

CANTEEN

We advise all parents to send along \$90 per trip for your son's canteen. **Checks should be made out to cash.** A record will be kept of how much you have put into your son's account and how much he has spent. Any money remaining in his account at the end of his stay in camp will be returned. We strongly recommend that your son does NOT keep any money with him in camp except for a small amount needed for daily Tzedakah. Any time he needs money, he may take it from the canteen. Canteen

money should be placed in an envelope (with your child's full name on it) and given to an administration member at the bus or his counselor in camp. Be sure the envelope is marked "CANTEEN". Please use separate envelopes for each camper. PLEASE NOTIFY THE HEAD COUNSELOR IF YOU WANT TO LIMIT YOUR SON'S DAILY CANTEEN EXPENDITURES. Phone number is on page 4.



DRESS CODE

While davening or learning, **ALL** campers **cannot wear Tyros**, sports pants, crocs or sandals. All boys who wear Tefillin must wear a white shirt, hat, and jacket for all tefillos. A white shirt can be kept in the coat room together with their hat and jacket to be used for tefillos. Please do not forget to name tag.



FOOD / PACKAGES

Please do not send food or other packages to camp. **Camp Tashbar will NOT be accepting any packages for campers or staff members. This includes all packages that arrive with ANY delivery service, official or private.** Should your son have a need to receive necessities (i.e., missing clothing, medicine, etc.) you must call the camp mother, Mrs. Leah Grossberg, for authorization and address the package to Mrs. Grossberg, c/o your son. The package will be opened by the camp mother and then given to your son.

Parents whose children are in need of special diets (i.e. celiac, dairy free) should please be in touch with the camp mother. Her phone number is listed on page 4.

Camp provides nutritious meals and has a canteen for nosh. Campers are not allowed to keep open nosh in the bunk. **PARENTS WHO DO SEND NOSH WITH THEIR SON ARE ASKED TO MAKE SURE THAT A PROPER HECHSHER IS PRESENT.** Please only send **פַת יִשְׂרָאֵל** and **חַלֵב יִשְׂרָאֵל**, **בִּשּׁוֹל יִשְׂרָאֵל**. All food without a visible hechscher or that does not meet the above requirements will be discarded. Please keep in mind that space in the bunkhouse is limited. **Please do not send bottled water.** The camp's water comes from wells fed by underground springs.



VISITING DAY

1st Visiting Day- July 6

2nd Visiting Day- August 10

Visiting day begins at 12:00 PM and ends at 7:00 PM. All Rabbeim will be available in the respective classrooms from 12:00-1:30 PM only. All visitors are invited to remain for lunch. Experience has shown that visits to camp other than on "visiting days" are harmful to the order and harmony of camp life. **THEREFORE, VISITORS WILL NOT BE PERMITTED ON CAMP GROUNDS AT ANY OTHER TIME.** On visiting days, only parents will be allowed to take their children off camp grounds. Other relatives and friends will not be given permission to take children off camp grounds unless parents call the office in advance for such permission. **A release form (available in the office) must be filled out every time a child is taken off camp grounds.** It is the responsibility of parents to inform all relatives and friends who might visit of the above rules. **NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE.** Shabbos is a very special day in camp. **It is not a day off for campers.** Campers cannot leave camp for Shabbos.

MAILING ADDRESS



Name of camper
c/o Camp Tashbar
305 Revonah Hill Road
Liberty, New York 12754

Please send along 10 self-addressed stamped post cards. Children in camp never get enough mail from home and friends, and will surely appreciate hearing from you frequently, even if it is only a short greeting. After June 23, all correspondence having to do with camp should be mailed to the above address.



ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Campers in all grades **CANNOT** bring cell phones even Kosher ones. MP3s, iPods, iPads, JPods, 24/6 Solo/Gold or any other music player cannot be brought to camp. Each bunk will have its own MP3 player loaded with tons of music and a boom speaker for your son(s) listening pleasure. Cameras can be brought **with an empty SD card only**. SD cards will be available for sale in camp. This will be checked. It is not within the scope of this information packet to discuss the issue of today's electronics in the hands of children and bochurim. Regardless of how trustworthy your child is, we will not allow him to keep any of these items. **These items will be confiscated and will not be returned.**

TELEPHONE CALLS



It is to the benefit of the campers and counselors that you do not call. Messages will be taken and given to the campers during lunch and supper only. Children will be allowed to call home one evening a week in addition to Erev Shabbos, according to the schedule of which you will be notified by your son during the first week of camp. Our office is open from 10 AM to 5:30 PM Sunday through Thursday, and Friday until 5 PM. **Campers needing to call out of the country should bring a phone card.**

NOTE: For 2025 no calls will be allowed until the first Monday of each half, with the exception of a very short call on Friday.

TRIPS



Trips are occasionally taken by all our campers with many other camps in attendance. In order to facilitate the easy identification of our campers while away from camp, we will require them to wear the camp T-shirt which can be ordered through the enclosed order form. We suggest that you order 2 or more shirts for your son to wear throughout the summer. You can also purchase the camp sweatshirt to use on cool evenings. T-shirt orders are due by June 1. If you did not yet send in your t-shirt order, please send it in asap and we will try to still get it in. The t-shirts will be marked with the camper's name. Also available is the official camp cap and knapsack with the camp logo and space for your son's name. It can be used to take nosh and clothing on trips and also can be used all year round. These items will be "H" be distributed during the first week of camp.

TIPPING



The staff that serves you and your children put in many hours to see to their happiness and welfare. They take over the care of your children for a period of two months. To show your appreciation for their untiring effort on behalf of your children it is customary to tip these people. Please do not disappoint our excellent staff by forgetting them. The following is a list of suggested tips for the full summer: Rabbi- \$75, counselor- \$75, waiter- \$50, junior counselor- \$50, co-counselor- \$60 each.



LAUNDRY

Laundry for campers is done approximately once a week. Be sure to send enough clothing. Please use the enclosed packing list for reference. All articles of clothing, all books, footwear, suits and other items brought to camp must be clearly marked with the campers first and last name. DO NOT use iron-on or laundry markers. Experience has shown that they do not work well. Please use only sew-on labels with your son's name and home phone number. We will do our utmost to make sure that all laundry is returned to the boys. However, **WE DO NOT TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR LOST OR DAMAGED CLOTHING.** Parents are advised to send along a small net bag and safety pins for the washing of socks and Tzitzis. Campers who bed wet must bring along enough extra changes of clothing to last. A protective sheet must be included in the camper's luggage. A dry-cleaning pickup and delivery service is available as needed but must be paid for when used.



LOST AND FOUND

It is strongly advised not to send any expensive clothing or items to camp. Camp will return any found articles to its owner **provided the item is marked clearly with the owner's name.** Any unmarked item including suits and shoes will be given to Tzedakah or discarded. Marked items will be held for three days after camp ends and an attempt to reach the parents will be made. You must come and pick up your son's items within those three days, after which all items will be considered **נִזְבֵּן** and donated or discarded. It is also suggested that campers who bring valuables to camp should have them kept in the office for safekeeping. **CAMP DOES NOT TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE LOSS OR THEFT OF ANY ARTICLE.**



BAR MITZVAHS

Camp wishes a hearty Mazal Tov and lots of Hatzlacha to all those becoming Bar Mitzvah during the summer. Arrangements can be made to have your son's Bar Mitzvah in camp. If you are making it elsewhere however, please remember that we can only allow your son's bunkmates and classmates to attend the Bar Mitzvah outside of camp, under the following conditions: 1) The affair is taking place within 1 hour from camp. 2) The entire bunk and class are invited. 3) Parents of all campers sign permission slips (available in the camp office) releasing camp of all responsibility for the entire duration of the trip. 4) **All campers are back in camp by 10:30 PM.**

DIRECTIONS TO CAMP

Take Rt. 17 W to exit 99. Make right turn at stop. Go approx. 2 miles, past HASC on the left. Make first left turn after HASC on Revonah Hill Rd. Go 1.5 miles. Camp is on the right.

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Phone numbers to use before camp begins:

Brooklyn office:
718-438-0913
Fax: 718-851-8626

Rabbi Dembitzer:
718-438-0913 (Pre-Camp)

Learning Director 3rd - 7th grade
Rabbi Yosef Preis
718-633-1364 (Pre-Camp)

Learning Director 8th grade
Rabbi Yehoshua Goldenberg
323-742-3893

Learning Director 9th-10th grade
Rabbi Moshe Kupfer
323-445-2834

Head Counselor
Rabbi Yoely Kar
732-713-2201

Assistant Head Counselor
Rabbi Yaakov Shalom
917-968-3986

Division Head (5 - 6 Grade)
Moshe Oratz
667-755-2079

Senior Division Head (8th grade)
Rabbi Bezalel Bressler
347-987-6733

Division Head Mesivta (9 - 10 grade)
R' Daniel Waldman
917-202-4056

Division Head (7th grade)
Rabbi Yosef Richter
732-279-5487

Head Lifeguard
Tzvi Oratz
443-948-4396

Camp Mother
Mrs. Leah Grossberg
718-513-1530 (Pre-Camp)
347-449-2823 (From July 2)

Medical Director
Mrs. Rochel Vail
917-804-0581

Phone numbers to use after June 25:

Tel: 845-292-5790

Fax: 845-292-5766

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