



Camp Gan Israel of Cherry Hill

Guidelines and Procedures

CIT – Counselor in Training

The Mission Statement of Camp Gan Israel

To provide a safe, fun and uplifting summer day camp experience for Jewish children, where a love for Judaism is taught through joy, care, and meaningful staff-camper connections.

Why am I in camp?

We're so glad you've joined us this summer! As a **CIT**, your role is to support counselors, observe, and assist where appropriate. You're not in charge of campers—you're here to **learn, help**, and bring positive energy to the bunk.

While you're not responsible for discipline or group leadership, your involvement matters. Whether it's helping with activities, giving extra attention to a camper, or getting supplies, you help the day run smoothly.

Campers will look up to you, so even without an official leadership role, your words and actions still set an example.

What is my job?

- **Be a friendly presence** – play with campers, join activities, and bring positive energy to the group.
 - **Assist with tasks** – follow the counselor's directions to prepare or clean up materials, or offer help to a camper who needs extra attention.
 - **Ask for help** – if you're unsure what to do or if a safety issue arises, speak to your counselor or the head counselor right away.
 - **Observe and learn** – this is your chance to understand how a bunk is run so that one day, you'll be ready for more responsibility.
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What should I do in camp?

- **Sign in and out at the front desk** every day.
 - **Place your phone in your assigned phone slot** at the front desk when you arrive.
 - Be on time. If you're going to be late, text Baily at 609-257-7294 as soon as you know.
 - Stay with your assigned bunk unless instructed otherwise.
 - Be respectful, kind, and helpful to campers and staff.
 - Smile and bring positivity to every activity.
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What should I NOT do in camp?

- **Do not keep your phone with you.** It must be stored in your assigned slot at the front desk.
 - Don't discipline campers. Always tell the counselor if there's a concern.
 - Don't talk about adult or inappropriate topics.
 - Do not hold, touch, hug, or show affection to campers in any way aside from a high five.
 - Don't go into the bathroom with children — you may walk them there, but stand at the door.
 - Don't wander from your group without permission.
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What do I do if I have a problem?

Talk to the Counselor or Head Counselor—they're here to help. If you need additional support, speak to Baily. We want your summer to be fun, meaningful, and a positive learning experience!

Agreement

I have read both pages of this document with my parent and understand my responsibilities as a Counselor in Training at Camp Gan Israel of Cherry Hill.

Signed:

Date:

Parent's Signature: