

**Camp Simcha 2019 Policies**  
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**Camp Mission:** Camp Simcha is a place where our campers' individual expression is celebrated within a group dynamic. Through a variety of experiences, campers will develop friendships, strengthen communication skills, and grow into the natural expression of who they are. The context will be a physically and emotionally safe and nurturing Jewish environment.

**Camp Policies**

**Safety & Comfort:** All campers are required to wear closed-toe shoes for safety and comfort. **Please, no sandals or flip-flops at camp.** Please apply sunscreen to your child daily. We ask that you send sunscreen with your child every day. Counselors will assist the children in reapplying the sunscreen. Hats are encouraged for further protection from the sun. Please send a filled and labeled water bottle **(at least 500ml)** to camp everyday.

**Emotional & Physical Safety:** In order for us to ensure that Camp Simcha realizes its mission as stated in the mission statement, the directors reserve the right to suspend any camper whose actions are deemed physically or emotionally abusive to others. Please feel free to contact the directors if you have any questions regarding this policy.

**Medication:** If it is necessary to take medication during camp, the medication must be delivered to one of the directors at the park via the parent unless other arrangements have been made directly with the director. The medication must be labeled and include the child's name, address, telephone number, and dosage on each container. Parents must sign a written permission slip authorizing camp staff to give the medication with dates and times. Medication must be claimed within 3 days after camp ends. If your child has head lice, please notify the camp. The camper will be readmitted to camp once we have received a doctor's release.

**Lost & Found:** Please mark **everything** that belongs to your child, including clothing. This will expedite our returning misplaced items brought to camp. Please contact the head counselors or directors for lost items.

**Lunch & Snack:** Each camper must bring a dairy lunch (tuna is acceptable) including a drink everyday. Please write your child's name on their lunch bag. Lunches will be kept in a cool place but will not be refrigerated. Please pack an extra snack for the morning. Camp Simcha will provide an afternoon snack every day. **Please label all lunches that have peanut products in order for us to protect our campers with allergies.**

**T-Shirt:** Each camper will be provided with a camp T-shirt to wear on the day of field trips. T-shirts should be labeled with your child's name and worn on each subsequent field trip day.

**Transportation & Drop-Off/Pick-Up:** Camp Simcha will provide school bus transportation for drop-off, pick-up, field trips, and swim days. The driver will be a professional school bus driver from Grand Pacific Charter. One bus will be at Temple Solel and the other will be at Torrey Pines High School front parking lot off Del Mar Heights. Both buses will arrive at their respective spots at 8:30 am and we will have a staff person on each bus to sign the campers in and out. The buses will return in the afternoon by 4:00 pm. **We encourage everyone to use the buses in order to keep the traffic to a minimum at the park. Thank you for your support.** Parents are welcome to join us on field trips and swim days. If there are days where you need to either drop off or pick up your child from the park, please notify us and drive the posted 10 MPH in the park. Rangers may ticket those who are speeding! This is for the safety of our campers and staff. If you drive to the park, we will not begin signing in until 8:55 am. We strongly encourage carpooling to the bus stops.

**Extended Care:** We will offer extended care in the mornings from 7:30 am and afternoons until 6:00 pm Monday-Thursday and until 5:30 pm on Fridays via special arrangement with the directors. All extended care will take place at Temple Solel at the rate of \$10/hr for temple members and \$13/hr for non-members per child. The cost of extended care is DUE when your child is picked up. We will transport your child from the camp to Temple Solel. Please notify us at least two days in advance if you need extended care.

**Newsletter:** There will be a weekly newsletter with information about the basic daily schedule, what campers will need, and emergency contact numbers. **The newsletter will be posted on the Temple Solel website at [www.templesolel.net](http://www.templesolel.net) under the Camp Simcha heading found on the left side menu.**

**Swim Days:** **Swim days will be on Monday and Wednesday** afternoons at the Boys & Girls Club in Solana Beach. Our campers will have 40 minutes of supervised recreational swim. Our Kindergartener campers will have 30 minutes in the pool. Counselors will be in the water with our campers and there are lifeguards watching the pool AT ALL TIMES. Please remember to pack a change of clothes, a towel, and sunscreen with names on them in order to help prevent lost items.

**Shabbat:** Shabbat is a joyous time at camp and will be celebrated Friday afternoon as a community with songs, skits, and blessings. Parents are always welcome to come and share in this great time at camp. Please feel free to bring beach chairs or something comfortable to sit in for the program. The Shabbat program will begin at 2:15 p.m. We encourage all who share Shabbat with us to sing along and join in the blessings. We also ask that parents respect our campers by listening to their presentations. If the urge to schmooze is too strong, please move far away from the area so that our campers will not be disrupted or distracted. Please follow the parking directions of our staff if you come for our Shabbat celebrations so that the buses will have room to both come and go. We are expecting very large numbers of people on Shabbat and need to adhere to the park rules regarding parking and not blocking fire lanes. Thank you for your cooperation.

**Roster Info:** Please notify Stina Wilensky at Temple Solel [swilensky@templesolel.net](mailto:swilensky@templesolel.net) or call (760) 436-0654 x 266 if you do not want your phone number given out for the purposes of play dates, carpools, etc.