

Rabbi Avi Kaplinsky, Director



Dear Parents,

Welcome to Camp Nofesh 2022! Once again, we have planned an outstanding summer of ruchniyus with an emphasis on Torah and middos tovos and a summer of fun, excitement, and adventure, including exciting trips for all ages. We encourage you to register early so that you and your boys can take advantage of our early bird special.

For those of you who are new to Camp Nofesh, we are proud of our reputation for an excellent learning program featuring professional adult Rabbeim. There is a prize store providing learning incentives for every camper from pre1a through fifth grade. We have weekly and monthly best-in-learning winners to encourage every learning group and weekly/monthly best in middos winners in every bunk.

We also offer an optional Masmidim program for boys, leaving grades 1-5. The program is for one hour after camp, Monday thru Thursday, after regular dismissal, for six of the eight weeks. There is a \$5 a week fee for boys leaving grades 1-3. For boys leaving 4th and 5th grades the masmidim program is free. In addition, we run a popular mishmar program (at no extra cost) in the evenings, approximately five times during the summer. Refreshments are served at each mishmar and a mishmar banquet catered by KOD. Jr. is held once each half. A schedule of exact dates and times will be given out before camp.

Our camp also boasts a full-scale camping program including 2 beautiful and well guarded pools, and spacious grounds, as well as full access to nearby parks and well manicured ball fields. (The younger boys use our onsite facilities for sports.) Boys leaving first grade and up have exciting league competition with championship trophies and middos trophies awarded each half. Our excellent staff of counselors headed by Rabbi Shabsi Horowitz provides a safe, caring, and fun environment for our boys to play competitively. We are also keenly aware of those boys who enjoy alternatives to sports and we will provide them with extra access to the hobby room on days of arts and crafts, as well as our exciting game room. Boys leaving first grade will have arts and crafts. Boys leaving first and second grades will be treated to our popular Nofesh Pedal Kart activity.

Camp Nofesh boasts an excellent aquatics program run by our Aquatics director Rabbi Yaakov Rabinowitz, an experienced and talented water safety instructor. Our aquatics staff is trained and coached by Rabbi Rabinowitz and Rabbi Horowitz to give small group instruction to each and every child.

In addition, we have Rabbi Shmuel Rowner as the Camp Nurse on premises. He has many years of experience and is very capable in his role providing first aid care and handling boys with allergies, asthmatic conditions and for any and all health-related concerns. Parents are requested to contact him any time with any health concerns they may have with their son.

Of course, among the highlights of camp are our entertaining special activities. This year all the boys in Camp Nofesh will enjoy the spectacular on campus Nofesh amusement park/carnival day, with amazing inflatables and rides. The amazing bubble machine is a special treat added for first through third graders only. Plus, there are a host of other special activities including Color War, Nofesh petting zoo, Olympics, Deal or No Deal) and much much more.

Camp Nofesh is famous for its fabulous and exciting trips to fun and exotic places. The tentative schedule of trips for boys leaving 1st grade are: State Fair, rented out by frum camps with a modified program and extra supervision. They will also go to Adventurers Amusement Park rented out exclusively for our Pre1A and 1st graders, to Urban Air (trampoline park) followed by Keansburg Water Park on coach buses, both rented out exclusively for Camp Nofesh. 2nd grade boys will be going to Urban Air/Keansburg. They will also go to Clementon Splash Park, rented out exclusively for frum camps and Adventureland. They will go on coach buses and have extra supervision at Adventureland and Clementon Splash Park. 3rd grade will go to Urban Air/Keansburg and American Dream Water Park (with a fun activity beforehand), IPLAY America/the amazing Medford JCC trip with many exciting water activities and a night swim. 4th grade will go to Outdoor Laser Tag followed by Keansburg, an activity TBA followed by American Dream Water Park. 5th grade will go to Urban Air/Keansburg and Outdoor Laser Tag/American Dream Water Park. 4th and 5th grades will go on separate days to Jiminy Peak. They will enjoy Alpine Sliding, Mountain Coaster, an amazing ropes course and more. In addition, all grades will have a separate time for rollerblading and bowling. As always, all major trips are run by a member of our adult head staff.

Camp Nofesh enlists a security agency to provide guards for our campers every day from 8:30am until the camp is dismissed each afternoon. Camp Nofesh will therefore be charging \$90 per family to help defray the cost of providing this service.

Camp begins at 9:25am each day (with supervision beginning 9:15 AM) and ends at 4pm (Friday 1:15pm). In addition to our regular program, there is an option for an early drop off, whereby, for a small fee, parents can drop off their children at our facility as early as 8:30 A.M. We also offer on Monday – Thursday, when your son has a 4pm dismissal, an optional 5pm dismissal, for a nominal fee. Details will be in the pre-camp mailing.

Camp Nofesh has been working hard all winter to assure that your children have the absolute best summer experience possible. So, register now for an exciting, memorable summer! Register by January 27, 2022 and receive the early bird discount. See pricing page for details. See referral page for information on how you and a friend can receive a referral discount.

Please visit our website at campnofesh.org and we will email you when the USB of the camp video is available. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me in the afternoon and evenings at 551-206-3395.

Sincerely,

Rabbi Avi Kaplinsky