

Scheduling

Camp Basics



DATE & TIMES



Gan Israel is a six week program starting the end of June through the first part of August.

In order for your child to fully benefit from the scope of available programs, we strongly encourage his/her participation in at least a two-week session or the full six-week session.

Monday through Friday camp starts at 9:00 am and ends at 4:00 pm.

Extended early and late care begins at 8:00 am and ends at 5:30 pm. The weekly fee is \$15 for morning care only or \$25 for both, per child.

There is no late care offered on Fridays.

MORNING DROP-OFF PROCEDURE:

An adult must personally sign in your child at morning drop-off.

ARRIVAL TO CAMP

Camp begins every day promptly, at 9:00am. Be sure to drop-off your child between 8:45am-9:00am, as on some days we will be leaving camp grounds right away.



Transportation is available via yellow school bus.

Drop-off and pick up will be at the main camp entrance.

End of day pick-up begins at 3:45 pm and ends at 4:00 pm.

Please be prompt in picking up your child.

END OF DAY PICK-UP PROCEDURE:

To ensure safe and smooth pick-up, we have implemented a pick-up system. When you arrive at camp, the staff member will announce your arrival to the camp indoors and your child will be brought to the front. You will then sign out your child to take him/her home.

CHANGE OF YOUR DISMISSAL PLANS

If your child's end of the day arrangement is different from normal, a parent must email the camp secretary. Do not leave a phone message. This includes change in car-pool arrangements, play dates, etc. Please avoid calling camp during the day with changes, unless it is a true emergency. If both parents are out of town, camp must be informed. Any person picking up your child must be on the authorized pick-up list. Otherwise an email must be sent.



DRESS CODE

Footwear: For safety, children must wear appropriate shoes, no slides or flip-flops allowed. Crocs are not appropriate for athletic activities.

Clothing:

Clothes should be comfortable, washable and appropriate for camp activities.

Camp wear: It is mandatory that campers wear a CGI t-shirt & bracelet during camp. One t-shirt is included for each camper in camp package. Additional camp shirts are available for purchase at \$5 each.

Hats: Campers must bring a camp sunhat cap each day to protect them from the sun.

SWIMMING INFO

Swimming will be offered every day of the week except trip day. On swimming days, please be sure to send your child to camp with a bathing suit, bathing cap and towel as well water shoes, sunscreen or additional water equipment required by your child (goggles etc.).

HOT LUNCH

Includes hot nutritious nut-free lunch or sandwiches and two snacks a day. A complete printable menu is available on our website.



Parents who choose to send a lunch with their child, please ensure it is Kosher, nut-free and in a recyclable bag. We request that no meat be sent to camp. Dairy lunch is permitted provided that the camp is not serving meat that day.

TYPICAL CAMP DAY

9:00am: Campers proceed to their group meeting areas. Attendance is taken at lineup with calisthenics, and the fun is ready to begin.

9:15am: Groups proceed to the first of their eight activities. The schedule is varied throughout each day combining sports and fun activities.

Lunch: During lunch you can feel the camp spirit with singing in the air.

Snack: In the morning and before your child leaves Gan Israel for the day, they are given delicious and nutritious snacks (those who have signed up for lunch & snacks).

Dismissal: The last period ends at 3:45 P.M. and all groups proceed to their meeting areas. They receive snacks, end of the day announcements and dismissed to their buses which leave camp at 4:00 P.M.

LOST AND FOUND
In an effort to minimize lost items please mark all your child's clothing and belongings with his/her name.

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Chabad V.S.L./Bois Franc
Chabad Dollard

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Camp Gan Israel Handbook

IMPORTANT NUMBERS
Camp Administration Office:
(514) 342-1770

On grounds cellular phones:
Rabbi Leibel Fine (514) 747-1199 x5
Camp Secretary (514) 747-1199 x6

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www.facebook.com/JewishCamp.ca

Dear Parents,

Welcome to Gan Israel Day Camp (CGI) of Montreal. Whether this is your first summer or your child is a returning camper, we are delighted that you are joining us. We are certain that your child will have a wonderful camp experience! The counselors and staff at Camp Gan Israel are eager to greet your child with new and exciting programs.

At Gan Israel your child will have the opportunity to bond with other kids of the same age in a bunk setting. During camp, the campers' time is filled with exciting activities, games, song, laughter and plenty of camp spirit. A busy and well rounded schedule of specialty activities as well as fun, exciting trips and swimming await your child. Our counselors are wonderful role models who create meaningful and loving friendships with their campers that can last a lifetime.

Gan Israel offers extensive Sports, Art, Baking, Crafts and much more. These activities are under the guidance of professional instructors who are highly qualified in their field. Gan Israel also offers our successful Drama Academy, open to campers signed up for the entire season. This Academy concludes with a production performance at the end of the season.

We have an expanded sports camp, offering high energy sports and activities for boys ages 8 - 13, with professional coaches leading the various sports activities with an emphasis on skills development.

This booklet will provide you with all the necessary information regarding camp. If you have any concerns, questions or immediate issues you may always contact the Camp Director Rabbi Leibe Finel at (514) 747 1199 x 5 or (514) 342-1770 (camp office)

Warmest regards,

Rabbi Moshe & Dina Krasnanski
Rabbi Schneur & Leah Silberstein
Rabbi Leibel & Chana Fine

COMMUNICATION & PARENT PARTICIPATION



We strongly believe that open communication between camp and home is in the best interest of campers, staff and parents. Our staff are always accessible; however drop-off and pick-up times are not the most convenient times to talk. If you should need to speak with your child's counselor, we ask that parents leave a message on camp number or leave a note and the counselor will get back to you that day. If you have any concerns, questions or immediate issues you may always contact the Camp Program Director **Rabbi Leibel Fine (514) 747-1199 x 5 or (514) 342-1770 (camp office).**



IMPORTANT CAMP UPDATES

Our busses have GPS on them for efficient arrival time. If a trip is running late, it will be posted on our website www.JewishCamp.ca and communicated through sms. Our website, www.JewishCamp.ca will be updated constantly with camp information. All communication to parents will be via email and in our weekly newsletter. Please check the website

during camp for your child/ren's pictures and exciting events in camp.

SPECIAL ACTIVITY DAYS FOR PARENTS AND FAMILIES

-Family Day Carnival & BBQ - beginning of Summer
-Grand Performance End of summer

REGISTRATION CHANGES

If a parent wishes to extend their child(ren)'s stay, our office must be notified one week in advance by going to your account on our website www.jewishcamp.ca and adding the pertinent information, i.e. addition of lunches/weeks and payment through their camp account.

STAFF

Our quality programming is due to the exceptional staff. The staff travel from across the world and are enthusiastic, motivated and committed to making your child's summer experience a memorable one. They will ensure your child will reap the benefits of their hard work. Please show your appreciation with a suggested gratuity at the end of camp of \$20-30 per child.

Essential Information

ADMINISTRATION

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SAFETY

The camp is dedicated to providing a fun but SAFE environment. Our staff is trained in CPR & First Aid. We strive to maintain counselor/

camper ratios of 4 to 1, which far exceed the provincial mandate.

Certified lifeguards (in addition to counselors) supervise swimming. When camp is on trips, contact is maintained with the office by mobile communication.

In case of a medical emergency, G-d forbid, parents (or guardian) and family doctor will be contacted immediately.



HYDRATION: Children are constantly encouraged and reminded to drink. Please send a refillable water bottle each day with your child's name marked on it, so it can be constantly refilled.

SUNSCREEN: Please apply sunscreen to your child before s/he leaves to camp. Please send along extra sunscreen each day so that it can be reapplied appropriately.

CAMP LOCATION

Camp has 1 campus:

- Main Division, Pioneer Girls, and Sports Camp is held at **the former UTT building, 805 Dorais , VSL**
- Swimming will be at the **YMCA 1745. Décarie Rd., Saint-Laurent, H4L 3N5**

