



# PARENTS' GUIDE TO CAMP GAN ISRAEL SEATTLE

## 2019/5779

All you need to know!

### VENUE:

#### Gan Izzy

*Ages 4 and up:* 6250 43rd Ave NE Seattle, WA  
98115

#### Tiny Tots

*Ages 18 months – 4:* 6250 43rd Ave NE Seattle, WA  
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### CONTACT INFORMATION:

Rabbi Kavka – Camp Director	206-730-2775
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Ilana Duban – Tiny Tots	206-771-3513
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Counselors:	Available upon request

### SCHEDULE:

Camp runs on Monday - Friday from **9:00 AM - 3:30 PM**, July 1<sup>st</sup> – August 9<sup>th</sup>. Please make sure to be punctual. We have a packed schedule planned for each day, and it is important that children don't miss out.

#### Gan Izzy:

- It is important that you approach Camp on 43rd Ave NE, heading North, in the direction of NE 65th Street. For safety of your child(ren), campers should **ONLY** exit the care on the sidewalk side
- For safety reasons please do not park on the opposite side of the street and cross

- A counselor will be curbside to check in your child(ren). There is no need to exit your car, as staff will help them out ☺ Children cannot be dropped off without getting signed in.
- If you need to come inside, please park on NE 65<sup>th</sup> next to the park as to not block incoming traffic or other parents

### **Tiny Tots**

- Please park legally on NE 65th and in a respectful manner in the neighborhood.
- Walk your child to the playground in the back of the Shul.
- You must sign in your child(ren) with the counselors during both Drop Off and Pick Up.
- Half Days run from **9:00 AM - 1:00 PM**. Full days run from **9:00 AM - 3:30 PM**.

### **REGISTRATION AND REFUNDS**

Camp will run for six sessions this summer. Please keep in mind that the week(s) your child(ren) are registered for are non-refundable and nonexchangeable. Adding extra weeks is possible, keeping in mind deadlines. Thank you for respecting our policies.

**Week 1:** 7/1/2019 - 7/5/2019

**Week 2:** 7/8/2019 - 7/12/2019

**Week 3:** 7/15/2019 - 7/19/2019

**Week 4:** 7/22/2019 - 7/26/2019

**Week 5:** 7/29/2019 - 8/2/2019

**Week 6:** 8/5/2019 - 8/9/2019

### **TRANSPORTATION:**

Transportation is available to/from Mercer Island, Seward Park, and Lynwood. Our staff are well briefed on supervision and safety procedures and will accompany campers on the ride to/from camp.

### **EARLY DROP-OFF/PICKUP**

Early drop-off is available from 8 AM, and aftercare until 6 PM. Registration prior to camp is required to use this service

### **COMMUNICATION:**

There are several ways in which camp communicates with parents. It is important that someone in your household DOES receive camp messages. Please let us know if there is someone else you would like us to add in addition to or instead of your number.

**Weekly email updates.** Parents will receive a Highlight Report in advance of each week which will list the main activities of each day and the clothing and/or supplies children will need to wear/bring.

**Ultracamp:** Parents will receive brief reminders about information happening in camp.

**Facebook and Instagram:** At the end of each day, camp will post photos of the day's fun and excitement to Facebook. To join this forum, please search Facebook: Camp Gan Israel Seattle, and Instagram: cgiseattle

**SAFETY:** Safety is a primary focus at Camp Gan Izzy.

**Staffing:**

All our counselors are experienced camp counselors and/or teachers. Each group will be supervised by at least two counselors throughout the day.

**Safety Tags:**

Each counselor wears a tag with each child's important information including contact numbers, swimming levels, allergies and special needs. In case of emergency, parents or emergency contacts will be contacted immediately. Please ensure that information provided during registration is current and notify us if/when changes occur.

**Camp T-shirts:**

All children must wear camp t-shirts on outings so that our campers are easy to identify. Camp T-shirts will be distributed during the day on the first day of camp and on our **Meet and Greet on June 30th**. Your child will either choose to wear it home or bring it home in his/her bag. We will send out more information closer to the date.

**SWIMMING:**

**Tiny Tots:**

*Swimming:* Children will swim in large inflatable pools on site. They will be closely supervised at all times, and the pools will be emptied when they are not in use.

**Gan Izzy:**

*Swimming at Mountlake Terrace:* Children will swim in the MountLake Terrace swimming pool on a Monday, Wednesday, and Friday schedule. In addition to the professional lifeguards on duty, all their counselors will be on duty too.

*Swimming Outings:* Weather permitting, Gan Izzy will visit three public water play areas. Our staff are well briefed on supervision and safety procedures.

**FOOD:**

Both lunch and snacks should be sent each day with your child. Water will be provided throughout the day. Please send a reusable water bottle with your child, with their name clearly marked on it. Camp Gan Israel Seattle is a NUT FREE ZONE. Please do not include any sort of tree nuts in your child's lunch or snack; including, but not limited to peanut butter, peanuts, trail mix, etc.

### **WHAT TO BRING TO CAMP:**

#### **Gan Izzy**

##### *Dress:*

- Children should come dressed in comfortable and appropriate clothing for camp. Camp activities can be messy, and may sometimes cause stains which may not be removable. Please bear this in mind when dressing your child.
- Children should wear shoes that are appropriate for active play. We do not recommend flip flops for safety purposes.
- Children should wear the camp T-shirt on all trip days.
- Please make sure to label all clothing that may get lost, i.e. swimsuits, towels, etc.

#### **Tiny Tots**

##### *Dress:*

- Children should come dressed in comfortable and appropriate clothing for camp. Camp activities can be messy and may sometimes cause stains which may not be removable. Please bear this in mind when dressing your child.
- Parents of Tiny Tots should include a change of clothing, as well as any hygiene products that will be required, for example, diapers, wipes, rash ointments, etc.
- Please make sure to label all clothing that may get lost, i.e. swimsuits, towels, etc.

#### **Sunscreen:**

Please apply sunscreen to your child in the morning. Parents are asked to include labeled sunscreen in their child's bag.

### **WHAT NOT TO BRING TO CAMP:**

#### **Valuables:**

Please do not send children to camp with money, games, electronics or other valuable items. We cannot take responsibility for lost or stolen items. Children may not bring smartphones or iPad to camp.

### **LOST & FOUND:**

Items that are visibly marked will be returned when found. All other items will be kept in a lost and found box in the camp office.

**BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS:**

We will be happy to help your child celebrate his/her birthday in camp. Please discuss this with us a few days in advance.

**LICE POLICY:**

If a child is found to have head lice, he/she will be sent home during the camp day for proper treatment. The child will be allowed to return to camp ONLY when he/she has been certified as "nit/lice free."