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**Dear J Day Camp Families,**

We are thrilled to welcome your campers to J Day Camps! We want to give them a camp experience filled with fun and meaningful activities that create long-lasting friendships and memories. On each respective camper first day they will receive a complimentary J Day Camps Pen and camper t-shirt, if a camper has not yet received a shirt and/or pen please do not hesitate to email [dguevarar@jccstl.org](mailto:dguevarar@jccstl.org) or simply have the camper inform their Camp Counselor. **Attached you will find the** Individual camp roster for the upcoming week, as well as a tentative schedule for the upcoming week.

**Arts camp-** This year in Arts camp we have decided to veer away from "themed" weeks, however we are here to help guide the young artist in each camper and if it turns out that this is better accomplished with "themed" weeks, we are a chill malleable camp open to further change and can return to the old ways.

**Sunscreen-** Each camper is asked to bring their own sunscreen, if a child does not have sunscreen the staff will usually have extra to share but this puts a strain on us, so we ask for each camper to have personal sunscreen to apply for swimming.

**Swimming-** Free swim for Arts Camp is on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. And swimming lessons are on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

**Carpool** - Morning carpool drop-off is from 8:45-9am and afternoon pickup is at 3 pm in the back parking lot at the Day Camp Pavilion. Pull into the main entrance of the complex and drive around the Arts & Education Building to the back lot to drop off your child(ren) (please see detailed carpool map on page 5 of the [parent manual](#)). Please make sure your carpool tag is clearly visible on your dashboard. [Click here](#) to download your carpool tag. Campers will only be released to those authorized for pickup. If you need to speak to a counselor or director, please park your car in the lot; do NOT park in the carpool lane. If your camper participates in pre- or post-care, drop-off and pickup are located inside the Fitness & Wellness Building (facing Schuetz Rd.) in the Multi-Purpose room.

**What to Wear** - Campers should wear appropriate clothing for the weather (dress for the warm weather) and bring a swimsuit to swim on Monday, Tuesdays, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. **Please apply sunscreen at home each morning before camp.** Sunscreen will be re-applied throughout the day, so please pack extra sunscreen in your camper's backpack. Arts camp usually stays inside for most of the day, however, certain projects, activities, and our time in the pool require sunscreen to protect our campers ☺!

**What to Bring** - Campers should pack a backpack that contains lunch, swimsuit, towel, sunscreen (in a plastic bag to avoid messes) and **water bottle**. A plastic bag is a good idea to hold wet things. **PLEASE LABEL EVERYTHING WITH INDELIBLE INK**. Lost and found items will be at the camp pavilion or the pool office. Please do NOT send any valuables.

**Toys/ Trading Cards**- We here at Arts camp recognize that this is summertime and we want to the kids to have a fun and creative time, therefore although we do not suggest or encourage toys, they are allowed at appropriate times such as carpool, lunch, and recess/freetime (there is very little "freetime" however). Also we must stress that we are **NOT** responsible for the well being of said toys/trading cards, thus, only campers capable of maintaining there own belongings should bring items.

We ask that the campers **DO NOT** trade their collectibles whilst at camp, as this can cause issues within the camp setting.

**Lunch** - Please pack lunch in a brown bag or reusable soft container. Lunches will be refrigerated. **Out of concern for the health of other campers, please do not bring items containing nuts**. Please pack a sports drink or water. Ice water will be provided at water stations around camp. Campers should bring a water bottle to refill throughout the day. For those who have pre-ordered "...Plus Lunch!," we will provide it daily.

### **LUNCH 2X**

We also ask the parents to remind their camper(s) that they must eat something during lunch, lately the campers have tried to skip or "fast forward" through lunch without eating. And although we recognize recess as a super fun time, eating is required for happy healthy campers!

**Snack** - We will provide a daily, mid-morning kosher and nut-free snack. Snacks include granola bars, Oreos, Scooby snacks, pretzels, fruit snacks or cheese crackers. Campers are allowed to bring their own snack if they so choose.

**Communications- Newsletter**-In addition to being handed out Friday at carpool/post care, This Week, Next Week updates are posted every Friday on our [camp website](#).

### **Want to add more camp?**

View Day Camp brochure [here](#). Contact [Michelle Carbone](#), Camp Registrar

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