



Dear Parents,

Welcome to Ruach Day Camp and Machane Penina! We are eagerly anticipating the start of Summer 5779! Please read this letter carefully, as it will answer many questions you may have.

Enclosed you will find all the necessary information for your child's summer at RDC and Machane Penina.

It contains:

- 1) Tuition Invoice** – Balances must be paid in full immediately. Unless you have made arrangements with the office, please contact us to arrange payment ASAP in order to ensure that your child will be picked up on the first day of camp.
- 2) Seforim Information (Boys only)**
- 3) Trip and Event Calendar**
- 4) Breakfast and Lunch Menu**
- 5) List of Necessities for each day**

Reminder:

MEDICAL FORMS

If you have not already done so, please send in your child's medical forms as soon as possible. *Please note, every child must be up to date with their vaccinations in order to attend.*

LUNCH FORM (RDC Only) The state obligates us to fill out one lunch form per family. Regardless of whether or not you are eligible, your children will receive free breakfast and lunch just as long as we have received a completed form. If no form is returned to us, you will be billed \$300 for breakfast and lunch. Both documents are available on our website for download if you have not received them.

CAMP SCHEDULE

FIRST TRIP: Thurs. June 27 – Tues. July 23, 2019 **SECOND TRIP:** Wed. July 24 – Mon. Aug. 19, 2019

DAILY SCHEDULE: RUACH: Mon. - Thurs. - 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Fri. - 9:00 AM to 1:30 PM

PENINA: Mon. - Thurs. - 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Fri. - 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Wednesday, July 4: *There will be no bus service on July 4th.*

Machane Penina: There will be an option half day. Dismissal at **12:45 PM.**

Ruach: There will be an **optional half a day of learning and lunch until 12:45PM.**

TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION: The bus will pick your child(ren) up in front of your house. Those living on dead end blocks should please wait at the corner. "Ruach Day Camp" or "Machane Penina" signs will be displayed on the buses. For the first week of camp, (June 27- July 3) the buses will begin their runs at 8:00 a.m. Please have your child ready at this time. *You must wait outside in front of your house.* It will take a few days for the drivers to perfect their bus runs. We appreciate your patience.

Kensington & Manhattan Beach– your children will be picked up by van.

There will not be any transportation from Borough Park.

Our office opens at 8:00AM. Should any problems arise with transportation call us immediately at **718-646-8500 x 1123.**



BUS CHANGES: If you need to change your child's bus stop for the trip home we must be notified **before**

1:00 PM Mon - Thurs and before 10:30AM on Fridays.

718-646-8500 -RDC for Boys 929-267-3275 – Penina

PRIVATE PICK UP:

Boys: Private pickups will be at the gate on East 26th street. Come down East 26th from Ave. Y and wait by the gate for your child to be signed out.

Penina: See enclosed letter.

DRESS CODE:

Please visit our website for a copy of the dress code if you did not receive it.

INFO LINE: Please be advised that certain trips may affect dismissal time. For late dismissal and trip arrival, please call: **Ruach: 718-646-8500 ext. 4444 Penina: 718-646-8500 ext. 4000**

BUNKS AND LEARNING GROUPS (Boys only): Information will be mailed out closer to the start of camp.

FOOD: The camp provides a morning and afternoon breakfast/snack as well as hot lunch and cold drinks. There are cold water fountains situated around the building which we encourage the campers to use. We encourage you to send a cold water bottle with your child everyday as well.

Please do not send any food or snack to camp with your child that contains nuts in any form. While we cannot declare Ruach and Penina “nut free,” we can contribute to a safer environment for the children who are severely allergic to nut products.

SWIMMING:

All our campers will be swimming daily (besides trip days). We are staffed with certified lifeguards who will test your child for shallow or deep water swimming. We will try to encourage every child to swim, but we will not force a child to go swimming.

NEW! Machane Penina will be having occasional instructional swim.

PRIVATE SWIMMING LESSONS:

Private swimming instruction can be arranged for an additional fee with a lifeguard after camp hours. Contact information for private swimming lessons will be sent out closer to the start of camp.



NECESSITIES, CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT:

- All clothing and equipment should be labeled.
- Each camper will receive a complementary **camp t-shirt**. Please have your child wear it on every trip day.
- Due to wear and tear from sports and arts & crafts, we strongly discourage sending campers in expensive clothing.
- ***Please do not send any electronic devices or valuables with your child to camp.***
- **NO CAMPER MAY COME TO CAMP WITH A CELL PHONE**

MACHANE PENINA:

Preschool –Pre Nursery, Nursery, Kindergarten, Pre-1A:

These should be brought to camp and remain in your child's cubby:

1. Complete change of clothing in a large Ziploc bag. (Pre-Nursery-Pre 1A)
2. Box of tissues
3. 1 recent photo for his/her cubby or a special project
4. Crib-size blanket (Pre-N, Nursery)
5. Painting smock with sleeves (Pre-N, Nursery)

Whole Camp:

These should be brought each day in your child's backpack:

1. Bathing suit
2. Towel or Robe (Pre-N - Pre1A)
3. Robe (Grades1-2)
4. Plastic bag to take home wet bathing suit
5. Slippers or pool shoes
6. Bathing caps (Pre1A - 2)
7. Siddur with name in it (Grades 1-2)

RUACH:

Please send the following items with your children:

- 1) Towel and bathing suits- on swimming days
- 2) See enclosed sefarim list

TRIPS: If a camper loses his/her trip t-shirt, he/she will be required to purchase a new one for \$10. Permission slips are required for certain trips. Notes will be sent home accordingly.

VOUCHERS: All families who have children on vouchers must call the office ASAP to make arrangements.

You are welcome to come down to our office to take care of any paperwork beginning June 20 between the hours of 10:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M. until the first day of camp. We look forward to seeing you.

Thank you for your cooperation and have a happy and healthy summer.