

2025 PARENT MANUAL

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GENERAL CAMP INFORMATION

The Jewish Community Center offers membership, employment, and other benefits to all, without regard to race, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, national origin, age, genetic information, disability, or veteran status.

1. Location/Directions:

JCC Camp Daleville is located on Route 502 in Daleville, PA. Our address is 76 JCC Drive, Covington Township, Pa. 18444. Take Moosic Street (Route 307) from Scranton to the second blinking light in Daleville. Turn right onto Route 502. Go 1/8 of a mile and look for the camp sign and entrance on the left.

2. Camp Phone Numbers:

570-842-8594 – During camp season: June 23 – August 15, 2025 570-346-6595 - ext. 115 - JCC in Scranton during the camp off-season

3. Camp Office Hours:

Weekdays during camp – 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM

4. Camp Hours:

9:30 AM - 4:00 PM

5. Early Drop Off & Late Pick Up:

JCC Camp Daleville offers an early drop-off at the JCC and Camp Daleville (8:30 AM) for a \$40/week fee per camper and a late pick-up at Camp Daleville (until 5:30 PM) for a \$40/week fee per camper. Please pre-register for early drop-off &/or late pick-up before the start of camp. Staff coverage will not be available before 8:30 AM at Camp Daleville.

6. 2025 Camp Dates:

Session 1: June 23-June 27

Session 2: June 30-July 3*

Session 3: July 7-July 11

Session 4: July 14- July 18

Session 5: July 21- July 25

Session 6: July 28- August 1

Session 7: August 4- August 8

Session 8: August 11- August 15

*NO camp on Friday, July 4th

^{**}If your child will miss a day of camp for any reason, please call or send in a note so that we may expect and maintain correct attendance. ** Camp reserves the right to call the camper's parent(s) or guardians to verify that they know where the camper is.

7. Camp Groups:

Starlight 5-year-olds

Pioneer entering 1st and 2nd grades

Trailblazer entering 3rd and 4th grades

Venture entering 5th and 6th grades

Voyager entering 7th and 8th grades

C.I.T. entering 9th and 10th grades

8. Camp Photographs:

Camp photographs will be taken on the Friday of the week of Session 1, June 27, and the first Friday of Session 5, July 25. Order forms will be sent home &/or emailed.

9. 2025 Camp Tuition:

GROUP	One week
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Pioneer	\$299
Trailblazer	\$299
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Venture	\$299
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Voyager	\$299
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^{*}JCC Family Membership discount is \$25 off each session the child attends.

CAMP ATTIRE & SUPPLIES

10. Camp Dress:

We encourage you to apply sunscreen and dress your child in the morning in a bathing suit with a t-shirt and shorts over it.

EACH CHILD SHOULD WEAR/BRING:

- a) Socks and sneakers (no flip-flops, sandals or open-toe shoes)
- b) Hat (we encourage your child to wear this for sun protection)
- c) Shorts and shirts (appropriate for summertime play)
- d) Bathing suit under clothes in the morning
- e) "Swim shoes" (the bottom of the pool is a rough surface)
- f) Sunscreen

^{**}Save \$100 per full-session camper when a \$100 deposit is made by March 1.

EACH CHILD SHOULD HAVE:

- a) One bathing suit (no cut-offs or gym shorts)
- b) Towel (s)-(Please write your child's name with a permanent marker.)
- c) Extra t-shirt
- d) Sweatshirt or light jacket for cool days
- e) Waterproof bag (for wet bathing suit/towel)
- f) Comb or brush
- g) Lunch bag with child's name on it we provide the drink & snack
- h) Sunscreen

Personnel items: The JCC is not responsible for lost, broken, or stolen personal items brought to camp by the camper. Campers should label every belonging they bring to camp.

Campers may not bring cell phones or other electronic devices to camp

11. Shabbat Dress: (Friday)

To make Shabbat more meaningful and special, we encourage campers to wear any combination of blue and white or their camp t-shirt on Fridays, unless otherwise specified.

12. Lost and Found:

All lost items will be kept in the lost and found box at camp. At the end of the summer, all unmarked and unclaimed clothing will be available to parents at the JCC. Any articles not claimed (1) week after camp is over will be sent to a charitable organization. We are not responsible for any lost or stolen articles.

13. Name Tag/Labels:

To ensure that your child's personal items will make their way home, we ask that name tags/labels be placed on all clothing, towels, bags, swimsuits, etc.

14. Camp Daleville T-shirts:

Each camper will receive his/her complimentary camp t-shirt the first week of camp. Camp t-shirts should be worn on trip days and special camp days.

COMMUNICATION

We believe that communication is a two-way street. The camp staff will provide continual communication to keep parents informed throughout the summer. And, we encourage you to reach out to the camp director regarding your child's camp experience. Information communicated from you &/or your child is the most helpful to us if it is shared in a timely manner. We welcome suggestions and feedback regarding our camp program, facilities, or staff.

If we cannot speak with you immediately because we are busy with camp activities between 8:30 AM and 4:00 PM, please leave a message, and your call will be returned as promptly as possible. Unless it is an emergency, we are unable to call staff away from the supervision of children.

Before the start of the camp season, direct questions to camp director Vince Kalinoski at 570-346-6595, ext. 115. When camp is in session, Vince can be reached at 570-842-8594.

15. Visiting Camp:

The camp director must approve visitation during the 2025 camp season.

16. Security & Safety Measures at Camp:

To ensure the safety of our campers, all parents/guardians are required to report to the side window of the camp office to sign in/out upon their arrival and departure at camp.

17. Bringing Items to Camp:

Campers may bring personal sports equipment to camp with prior approval from the camp director. Campers may <u>not</u> bring cell phones or other electronic devices to camp. Animals are prohibited at camp.

18. Discipline:

We expect every camper to act in a manner that ensures the safety, respect, and well-being of the Camp Daleville community. Any and all inappropriate behavior will immediately be brought to the camp director's attention and access and deal with the situation. The use of drugs and/or alcohol or possession of a weapon at camp is grounds for immediate expulsion.

19. Emergency Procedures:

Camp staff participates in a three-day orientation and training before the start of camp. The staff is trained on the procedures in the event of a fire, an intruder, or weather-related incidents.

In the event of an emergency at camp or off-camp property, our staff follows procedures to ensure your child's safety. The camp director is immediately notified and will assess the situation to determine the necessary steps and decide on further actions. Do not hesitate to contact the camp director if you have questions or concerns or seek further details.

20. Health & Safety:

There is a registered nurse on staff at Camp Daleville who is responsible for the distribution of medication and oversees general health and wellness. The camp is equipped with standard first aid equipment, including a backboard, neck brace, and AED for emergencies. If the nurse determines that a health-related situation is serious or beyond the scope of being treated at camp, s/he will arrange transportation to the hospital &/or contact 911. Camp Daleville unit heads are trained in Red Cross first aid and AED. Their role does not supersede the nurse's; however, in an emergency situation, unit heads are prepared to assist.

If a camper shows signs or symptoms of ill health while at camp, s/he will be isolated, and the parent/guardian will be notified. In the event that your camper receives any medical attention during the camp day, you will be notified (for example, received ice, a band aid or a bee sting). In an emergency situation, the parent/guardian will be immediately notified. If the parent/guardian cannot be reached, the emergency contact listed in the camp brochure application will be contacted. Should

your child show signs of illness, we ask that you do not send them to camp and contact the camp office at 570-842-8594 (before 9:15 AM).

The medical page of the camp application must be completed and returned to the JCC office **before camp begins**. Your child will not be allowed in camp unless we have the completed camp application including the medical page. A TSS must accompany any child with special needs.

21. Medications:

If your child needs to take any prescribed medication at camp, a consent note must be sent giving us permission to administer and the medication must be in its original pharmacy container. No medication, including aspirin or other over-the-counter medication, will be administered without a written consent note. Please include the child's name, the name of the medication, the time medication should be given, and dosage, as well as a parent's signature in the consent note. We would prefer that you hand-deliver the consent note and medication.

23. Lunch:

All campers should bring their bagged lunches daily. The camp will provide an afternoon snack each day. Campers must also bring their own lunches in disposable bags and water bottles. Refill opportunities are provided. Please label your child's lunch container/box/bag with your child's name and group.

We kindly request kosher-style lunches. Please do not mix milk products and meat, and do not prepare pork or shellfish products.

24. Birthdays:

A child's birthday is a special event. We kindly request that you do not send treats or snacks <u>with your child</u>; rather, please bring the treats to camp. To coordinate this, please contact the camp director.

When providing snacks for celebrations, please ensure they have the "OU" kosher symbol on the packaging. For baked goods, kindly confirm their kosher status with the bakery. If you're unsure about a product's acceptability, don't hesitate to call the camp for verification. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding!

PROGRAMMING:

25. Swimming:

The camp swimming program is designed to complement our excellent year-round aquatics program offered at the JCC of Scranton. Our goal is to help campers become comfortable and confident in the water. Campers are tested during the first days of camp, placed in appropriate ability groups, and taught water safety, aquatic independence, and stroke development. Individual attention is given to each camper, and counselors assist the certified lifeguards. There are instructional sessions as well as general swim sessions. During the instructional session, one lifeguard is always outside of the pool, on the deck, observing the instruction.

NOTE: If your camper cannot swim on a given day, s/he is required to bring a note from a parent/guardian or physician. We ask for your support with the following:

- Do encourage your child to swim every day.
- Do follow your child's progress.
- Please discourage your child from staying out of the water whenever s/he wishes.

26. Camp Programs and Activities:

The age and ability of each camper determine participation in activities. If a camper does not wish to participate in an activity, they are not required to do so. However, the camper must remain with the group and act appropriately to avoid disrupting the group activity. For any activities, if the camper's behavior is unacceptable, the camp reserves the right to have the camper not participate. If the parent has a concern, they are to contact the camp director before camp starts or within a week after the activity occurred to remedy the situation.

By signing the camper application parent/guardian(s) grant permission for the camper to participate in camp activities.

A sample of activities offered (subject to change) are sports, swimming, arts and crafts, drama, music, Jewish culture, boating on the lake, cooking, science, nature, dance, forts, and STEAM. Archery requires students to be in third grade or older.

A Judaic atmosphere is achieved with programming, from celebrating traditional Oneg Shabbat on Fridays to welcoming the Sabbath to special celebrations and events of Jewish, historical significance.

27. Last Day of Camp:

Camp concludes on Friday, August 15^{th,} with its traditional late-night ceremony until 7 PM.

A FINAL WORD

After reading this comprehensive manual, parents/guardians should be assured that every aspect of their camper's welfare has been considered. Our number one priority is ensuring that your camper has a fun, safe, positive, and memorable experience. We encourage campers to learn interpersonal skills, achieve personal growth, and gain a sense of independence. JCC Camp Daleville enriches campers' lives by instilling positive values and building life skills in a fun, nurturing environment while creating lasting friendships and memories!

Camp Daleville Code of Conduct

Camp Daleville prides itself on four key pillars of conduct: Respect, Honesty, Cooperation, and Safety. The success of Camp Daleville is not only in the hands of our staff but also in the community. Camp Daleville values the relationships we build with our camp families because there is no camp without you. We ask that you, the camp family, take the Code of Conduct pledge, and together, we can continue to make camp a safe, nurturing environment where our campers learn and grow.

I will not intentionally or repeatedly, verbally, physically, or socially, make another camper(s) feel unsafe in or outside of camp. The use of drugs and/or alcohol or possession of a weapon at camp is grounds for immediate expulsion. The JCC and the Camp Director reserve the right to handle each offense on a case-by-case basis.

Parent

Respect:

I will respect and comply with camp policy, and understand policies are for the greater good of Camp Daleville. I will treat staff, campers and other parents with thoughtfulness and consideration and refrain from using negative or abusive language.

Honesty:

I will be honest in all interactions with camp staff, counselors, campers, and parents. I will inform the camp administration of all medical, emotional, and psychological factors that may influence the behavior of my camper. I will respect the decisions made by the camp staff and administration.

Cooperation:

I will work in cooperation with administration and staff to ensure that myself and my camper are following the code of conduct to achieve a fun and safe camp for every camper and family.

Safety:

I am committed to making Camp Daleville a secure place for my camper and every camper. I accept and understand there will be consequences for my or my camper's behavior.

Camper

Respect:

I understand that others are different than me. I will treat all of my fellow campers with respect. I am responsible for my camp community and will treat the staff, campers, grounds, and equipment with respect by not damaging or stealing.

Honesty:

I will tell the truth.

I will be helpful and participate in discussions regarding my actions.

Cooperation:

I will be a valuable member of Camp Daleville. I will take responsibility for my actions, what I say, and the choices I make.

Safety:

I will keep my hands to myself. I will not physically, verbally, or emotionally hurt a fellow camper or staff member. I will follow all the camp rules to keep me and my fellow campers safe.