Hello!

WELCOME TO SUMMER 2021! We are so excited to be turning the corner on 2020 and welcoming our campers back to camp this summer! Over the past several months we have learned a lot as we prepare for camp this coming summer.

While the Camp Kinneret spirit will be in full swing, we know 2021 will need to look different than summers past to create the safest environment possible. We believe being outside, unplugged, playing with peers will be the best thing for campers after the limited in-person socialization they have experienced in the past year.

Please read the entirety of this email which will touch on a few of the changes you can expect this summer.

- Our planning will be based on health regulations and guidelines as they exist today. If there are significant changes as summer approaches, we are ready to adjust our program and protocols to reflect new recommendations. We have put together a web page with lots of information about this summer, and we will continue to update it until the start of camp. <u>Please take some time to look through it here.</u>
- Camper applications for Summer 2021 will open for everyone on Monday, February 1st at 9am. We will send you a reminder email with an application link at the end of this month.
- 3. Some families earned priority enrollment through the choices they made regarding rolling over 2020 funds to 2021. If you are eligible for priority, a follow up email will let you know and will provide more information. Once priority applications have been processed, we will be processing all other applications in the order that they were received beginning on February 1st.
- 4. In order to maintain consistent groups and to comply with what we believe to be best practices, we will be making changes to our typical sessions and day combinations for this summer. We will offer 4 shorter sessions and all campers will be enrolled for 5 days/week. <u>Click here for session dates</u>. We recognize 5 days/week may be a lot for our younger campers, and we encourage you to schedule a call if you'd like to discuss the fit for your family. <u>Click here to schedule a call</u>.
- Unfortunately, costs to operate camp will be significantly greater this year. There have been increases related to insurance (~+30%), staffing ratios, cleaning/sanitizing, and program activity supplies. Regrettably, all of this will lead to higher camp fees. <u>Click here</u> <u>for Summer 2021 fees</u>.
- 6. Transportation will look quite different this summer due to decreased bus capacities and other new restrictions. Therefore, bus transportation will not be included in camp tuition fees in 2021. <u>Click here for more information about bus transportation</u>.
- Due to a mandated decrease in group capacities, we expect that Camperships and Tuition Assistance will be severely limited this year. If you anticipate that your family will have a need for financial assistance in 2021, <u>please click here for more information about</u> <u>Camperships this summer</u>. If you would like to donate to our Campership Fund to assist local families, <u>click here</u>.
- 8. Families who left a credit with us last year will receive an email soon with a statement and more information.

There is a lot more to read about our plans for this summer! Visit the <u>Summer 2021 FAQs</u> on our website to find the enrollment policies, to view the additional COVID safety precautions we're instituting, and more. With so many adjustments to our program and more expected changes in

guidance as summer approaches, we will be continually updating the information throughout the winter and spring.

*Email continues to be the best way to reach us as we are often working remotely. If you prefer a phone call, feel free to <u>click here to schedule a call</u>. You can also call our regular camp line and leave a message if we are unable to answer immediately.* 

Kinneretly, Ryan & Jamie