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Center of Orange County

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# welcome



## to camp yofi summer 2012



Dear New and Returning Yofi Families,

I am thrilled to be joining the Camp Yofi family for Summer 2012! Many of you may know me from my years working at Camp Haverim, the Merage JCC's ACA-accredited summer day camp. Having spent almost ten years of my youth at Camp Harlem resident camp in Pennsylvania, I am looking forward to returning to a resident camp environment. I graduated from Indiana State University and recently received my Masters Degree from USC. In addition to my extensive camp experience, I also have a teaching credential from Cal State Fullerton. I am undertaking the Camp Yofi directorship with pride and am looking forward to continuing and adding to Camp Yofi traditions. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns you may have.

Don't miss out on a wonderful summer of memories and fun - sign up for Camp Yofi today!

Thank you,  
Eric Schwartz, B.S., M.S., Camp Yofi Director



**NEW! Camp Yofi** is now under the direct supervision of JCC Youth, Teen and Camp Haverim Director Audra Martin!

### About Camp Yofi

Camp Yofi is located at the ACA accredited YMCA's Camp Edwards in Angelus Oaks in the beautiful San Bernadino Mountains, just a short walk from Jenks Lake and only 26 miles from Big Bear Lake.

*Under kosher supervision*

**For more information**, please contact Camp Yofi Director Eric Schwartz: (949) 435-3400 ext. 275, [CampYofi@jccoc.org](mailto:CampYofi@jccoc.org) or JCamps Administrative Assistant Sarah Pepper: (949) 435-3400 ext. 268, [sarahp@jccoc.org](mailto:sarahp@jccoc.org).

### Camp Yofi Mission Statement

At Camp Yofi, we provide a safe, fun, caring environment where campers will:

- Learn new skills and master old ones
- Build self-esteem and develop self confidence
- Learn Jewish values and feel pride in Jewish heritage and traditions
- Cultivate independence and gain responsibility
- Develop good sportsmanship and teamwork
- Make new friends and create lifelong memories

CAMP SESSIONS, GRADES AND DATES	SUPER EARLY BIRD Until Dec. 31, 2011		EARLY BIRD Jan. 1-Mar. 31, 2012		REGULAR RATES After April 1, 2012	
	Member	Public	Member	Public	Member	Public
<b>1 WEEK SESSION, Gr. 2-5</b> July 15 - July 22	\$1,015	\$1,095	\$1,095	\$1,195	\$1,145	\$1,245
<b>2 WEEK SESSION, Gr. 2-9</b> July 1 - July 15	\$2,030	\$2,230	\$2,190	\$2,390	\$2,290	\$2,490
<b>3 WEEK SESSION, Gr. 2-9</b> July 1 - July 22	\$3,045	\$3,345	\$3,285	\$3,585	\$3,435	\$3,735
<b>CIT 3-WEEK SESSION, Gr. 9-11</b> July 1 - July 22	\$2,400	\$2,700	\$2,640	\$2,940	\$2,820	\$3,120

# experience *jewish camping*

At Camp Yofi, Judaism becomes a part of daily living. Campers are taught Jewish values and traditions by participating in a wide range of activities. Our song sessions are amazing . . . with lots of singing of traditional songs and dancing after meals. Traditional prayers are said before and after each meal. All meals are Kosher.

Shabbat is a meaningful experience at camp. There is nothing like Shabbat at Camp Yofi. Shabbat will come alive when campers make their own challah and lead and participate in their very own services. The entire camp connects at the beginning of Shabbat with the Shabbat walk. Following the Shabbat walk, candles are lit and services are held in the Beit T'fillah (outdoor sanctuary). Shabbat is complete with our delicious Shabbat meal, followed by an amazing song and dance session. We say goodbye to Shabbat with a Havdalah service that leads us into a sweet new week.



## So many things to do

Below is a sample of a typical camp day. Of course, Shabbat is a special day at camp with its own special activities.

### Morning

*Boker Tov* (Wake up)  
*Aruchat Boker* (Breakfast)  
*Nikayon* (Cabin Clean-up)  
1st Activity Period: Instructional Swim  
2nd Activity Period: *Shiur* (Learning)  
3rd Activity Period: Adventure (Climbing Wall)

### Afternoon

Lunch Time Dancing  
*Aruchat Tzohorayim* (Lunch)  
*Menucha* (Rest Period)  
4th Activity Period: *Chugim* (Activities)  
Snack/Canteen  
5th Activity Period: Clinics  
6th Activity Period: Free Swim

### Evening

Shower Time  
*Aruchat Erev* (Dinner) and Song Session  
Evening Program  
Milk Squad  
*Lilah Tov*

## Jewish Theme Programs are an exciting part of Camp Yofi

Jewish Lifecycle (from birth to Bar Mitzvah to a Jewish wedding ceremony)  
Tikkun Olam (fixing the world)  
Maccabiah (Olympic-style events)  
Yom Yisrael (Israel Day)



# explore



## endless possibilities

### NEW THIS YEAR!

- Pottery
- Basket Weaving
- Gymnastics
- \*Guitar/Song Leader/Music Appreciation
- Fishing
- Flag Football
- Two-day Camping Trip (gr. 8-11)
- Martial Arts
- Drama Program
- Cooking
- Video
- Radio
- Newspaper
- Bar/Bat mitzvah tutoring
- Tzofim (Israeli Scouts)
- Instructional Swim
- Digital Photography
- Model Airplanes

### ATHLETICS

- Swimming
- Canoeing
- Basketball
- Volleyball
- Cheerleading
- GaGa
- Softball
- Kickball
- Capture the Flag
- Ping Pong
- Ultimate Frisbee
- Soccer
- Frisbee Golf
- Krav Maga

*\*We encourage campers to bring instruments to camp.*

### JUDAISM

- Shabbat Walk
- Beit T'fillah - Outdoor Sanctuary
- Shabbat Skits & Programming
- Havdalah Under the Stars
- Israeli Dancing
- Israeli Outdoor Culture
- Challah Making

### INDOOR ACTIVITIES

- Karaoke
- Billiards
- Foosball

### OUTDOOR ADVENTURE

- Team Building Activities
- High & Low Ropes
- Rock Climbing
- Hiking
- Archery
- Zip Line
- Mountain Biking
- Tetherball
- Campfires
- Night Hikes

### CREATIVE ARTS

- Arts & Crafts
- Music
- Tie Dyeing
- Dance

### ALL-CAMP ACTIVITIES

- All-Camp Capture the Flag
- Talent Show
- Field Trips to Local Attractions



### Teen Leadership

#### Counselor-in-Training (CIT) entering grades 9-11, by interview)

Camp Yofi's CIT program is an exciting three week program from July 1-July 22. The CIT program will challenge you to be leaders in camp, engage you in contemporary Jewish issues and start you on the path toward being a staff member at Camp Yofi. CITs will be trained in camp safety, water safety, as well as in First Aid and CPR. The CIT program is an opportunity to carry on traditions and positively influence your peers as well as the younger campers that look up to you. CITs enjoy their own cabin, special programs, a CIT field trip and private CIT hideaway. Note that acceptance to the program is not guaranteed. Acceptance will be based on the application process, your previous performance at camp, if that applies, and an interview with the Camp Director. Go online to apply for the CIT program and fill out the CIT application. Interviews will take place starting in February.

**NEW THIS YEAR:** CPR, First Aid and Safety Training





## Camp Info

### Transportation

All campers will meet at the JCC in Irvine and board a luxury bus to Camp Yofi. The bus ride is a great opportunity for campers to bond with their counselors and bunk groups. Transportation to and from camp is included in your camp fees.

### Housing & Food

Campers will sleep in cabins of up to 10 children. The camper to staff ratio is 5:1. The camp kitchen staff prepares three nourishing and tasty meals each day, as well as snacks and dessert. All of our meals are prepared in a kosher kitchen. Campers will also have the opportunity of purchasing snacks from our Camp Canteen every day except Shabbat.

### Medical Care

Quality medical care is provided by a nurse in our well-equipped camp infirmary. Complete hospital and specialist facilities are located in nearby Redlands and Big Bear.

### Financial Assistance

Give your 6th-8th grader the summer of a lifetime at Camp Yofi, and save yourself up to \$2500 over the next few summers! The JWest Campership is for second and third year campers who have received a JWest Campership. Register for your grant at [onehappycamper.org](http://onehappycamper.org). Regional restrictions may apply, so visit the website for full details.

Financial assistance may be available from Passport to Jewish Life, a program of Jewish Federation & Family Services. To learn more, visit [www.JewishOrangeCounty.org/passport](http://www.JewishOrangeCounty.org/passport).

Arrangements for Merage JCC financial assistance or payment schedules can be made by calling Marcia Clark, Executive Assistant at (949) 435-3400 ext. 312.

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### Sample Menu

*Camp Yofi is under kosher supervision*

#### BREAKFASTS:

Pancakes, Eggs, Cereal, French Toast, Waffles, Yogurt, Muffins, Cheese

#### LUNCHES:

Grilled Cheese, Chicken Nuggets, Hot Dogs, Baked Potato Bar, Veggies, Salad Bar, Pizza, Hoagies

#### DINNERS:

Chicken, Pasta, Tri-tip Roast, Turkey, Brisket, Burrito Bar, Tofu, Rice, Beans, Salad Bar

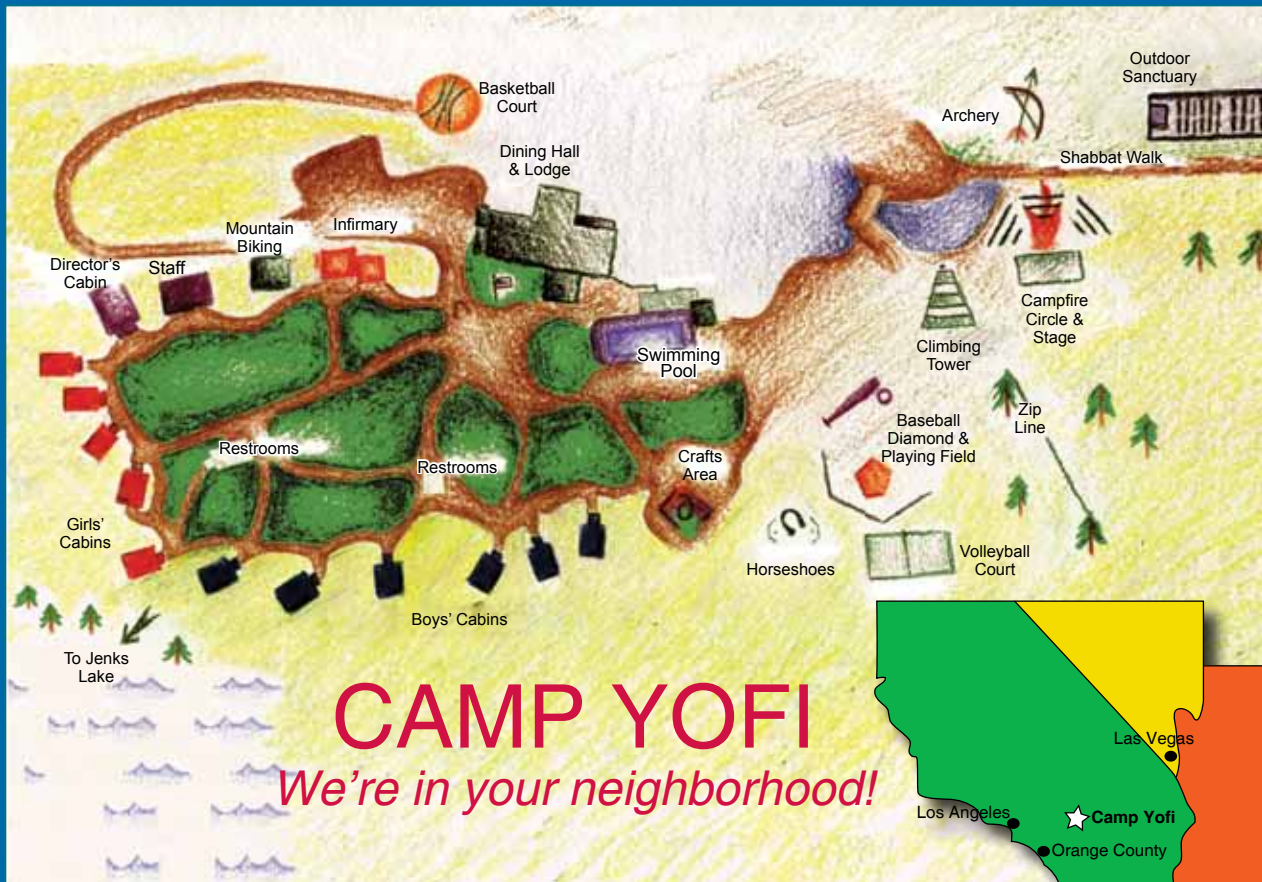
PB&J options for each meal

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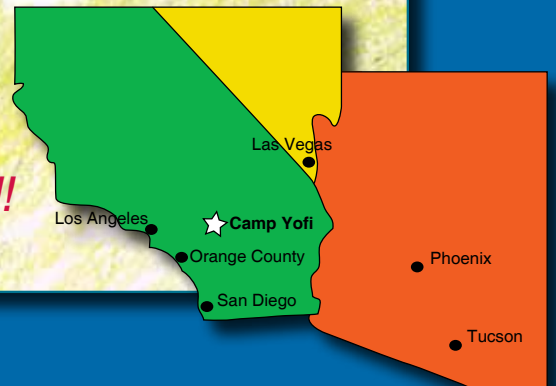




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lifelong friendships



**CAMP YOFI**  
*We're in your neighborhood!*



# Camp Yofi Information and Policies

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## Staff

Camp Yofi staff is trained in accordance to ACA standards. Our staff goes through intensive training to make sure your camper has a safe and amazing summer. Each group is supervised by an experienced Unit Head who is an expert in the field. Every staff member is trained in CPR, First Aid and AED use.

## Camp Yofi Fees

All Camp Yofi and CIT fees include transportation, food, lodging and all activities. Additional expenses will include the canteen and Yofi logo items.

## Deposit & Refund Policies

A **non-refundable deposit of \$300 per camper** plus a **non-refundable \$75 registration fee** is due with your completed application. The balance of all fees is **due by May 1, 2012**. Your balance will automatically be charged or another form of payment must be submitted by May 1, 2012. All registrations received after May 1, 2012 must be paid in full. Prior to attendance, a completed Health History & Examination Form (provided by the camp) is required. **All camp forms** (found at [www.jccoc.org](http://www.jccoc.org)) **are due by May 1, 2012**.

## Merage JCC JCamps Policy

**DEPOSITS AND FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE.** If necessary, Camp Yofi weeks may be substituted only with Camp Haverim weeks for children who may have adjustment issues at residential camp. These arrangements should be discussed with the Camp Director. Weeks and fees are not transferable between any other campers or any other programs (other than Camp Haverim). There is no reduction of fees due to absence, illness, family matters, withdrawals, holidays, school interference, or vacations.

While the Merage Jewish Community Center makes every effort to provide your camper with a great camping experience, the Center cannot be responsible for Acts of God and cannot provide refunds for natural disaster such as fires, earthquakes, flooding, epidemic illness, or other events that could interfere with the camp experience.

## Early Bird Discount - Register by March 31, 2012

All campers who register by March 31, 2012 will receive an Early Bird discount. JCC Members receive an additional discount. Fees must be paid in full by May 1, 2012.

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## Member Benefits

Membership makes a difference! Become a JCC Member and save on camp fees. JCC memberships must be current through your camp enrollment session to receive membership discounts.



Like Camp Yofi on Facebook for all your camp updates!

We use [Bunkl.com](http://Bunkl.com) - an easy way to see pictures, send letters, and also send packages for your camper.



Irv Chase, Chairman of the Board • Dan Bernstein, President/CEO



Camp Yofi is one of three J Camps at the Merage JCC



Camp Yeladim for ages 2-5  
 Camp Haverim for grades K-11  
 Camp Yofi for grades 2-11

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