



Camp Jaycee

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June 1–August 21 | 18 Months–Grade 11

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Camp Jaycee 2026 At a Glance

Camp Type	Grade	Session 1	Session 2	Session 3	Session 4
TRADITIONAL					
Keshet Toddlers	18-23 mos	June 15-July 10	July 13-Aug 7		
Keshet Traditional	2 years-TK	June 15-July 10	July 13-Aug 7		
Keshet Spanish	3 & 4 years	June 15-July 10	July 13-Aug 7		
Gesher Traditional	K-3	June 15-July 10	July 13-Aug 7		
Gesher LEGO®	K-3	June 15-July 10			
Gesher Spanish	K-3	June 15-July 10			
Gesher STREAM	K-1		July 13-Aug 7		
Gesher Music	2-3		July 13-Aug 7		
Hevra	4-7	June 15-26	June 29-July 10	July 13-24	July 27-Aug 7
SPORTS					
Gesher Sports	K-1	June 15-July 10	July 13-Aug 7		
Kadima Sports	2-3	June 15-26	June 29-July 10	July 13-24	July 27-Aug 7
Maccabiah	4-6	June 15-26	June 29-July 10	July 13-24	July 27-Aug 7
THEATRE					
Gesher Theatre	K-1	June 15-July 10	July 13-Aug 7		
Kochavim Theatre	2-3	June 15-July 10	July 13-Aug 7		
Stage to Screen Creative Immersion	4-9	June 15-26			
Habima	4-6		June 29-Aug 7		
Bidur	7-9		June 29-Aug 7		
TEENS					
Tsofim Caravan	6-9	June 15-26	June 29-July 10	July 13-24	July 27-Aug 7
Counselor-In-Training (CIT)	10-11	June 15-July 24	July 27-Aug 7 (Add-on)		



PRE-CAMP*

June 1-5

Slime Time	K-3
Dance	K-2
Explore Coding using Lego®	
Spike Prime System	K-3
Pokémon	3-6
Surfing	3-7

June 8-12

Dance	K-2
Olympic Games	K-3
Natural Science/ Environmental Science	3-6
Dances of the World	3-6
Hook, Line, & Sinker	3-6

POST-CAMP*

SESSION 1: Aug 10-14

Olympic Games	K-3
Ceramics/Art	K-7
Fencing	2-6
Sci-fi Space Exploration	3-6
Horseback Riding	3-7

POST-CAMP*

SESSION 2: Aug 17-21

Cozy Comfort Food	K-6
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*Pre- and post-camp options designed specifically for campers entering Kindergarten-7th grade.



REGISTRATION & DETAILS campjaycee.com | 858.362.1132

PLEASE NOTE: Camp Grades are determined by the 2026-2027 Academic Year • Programming and activities subject to change at Director's discretion
No camp on Friday, July 3 • Minimum enrollment required

Traditional CAMPS

CAMP KESHET (Rainbow)

*CAMP KESHET WEEKLY THEMES

Week 1: Shalom Haverim | Week 2: Let the Summer Adventure Begin

Week 3: Happy Birthday America | Week 4: Little Einsteins

Week 5: Tikkun Olam | Week 6: The Deep Blue Sea

Week 7: The Music is In Us | Week 8: We are the Champions

TODDLERS* Ages 18-23 Months

Two 4-week sessions

SESSION 1: June 15-July 10 SESSION 2: July 13-Aug 7

2, 3, or 5-day options | Half day (to 1:00 pm) or full day (to 3:30 pm)

Keshet is where our littlest campers begin their J journey. From water play to exploring art, music, nature, and plenty of playtime, our loving staff creates a safe and joyful space where little ones can grow, discover, and shine.

TRADITIONAL* Ages 2-TK

Two 4-week sessions

SESSION 1: June 15-July 10 SESSION 2: July 13-Aug 7

Half day (to 1:00 pm) or full day (to 3:30 pm)

Each day is a new adventure filled with art, sports, science, and nature, with plenty of time to play. Our caring Nierman Preschool staff create a joyful, hands-on environment where curiosity and imagination shine. For our four-year-olds in the five full-day program, special enrichment activities and field trips add even more excitement and discovery!

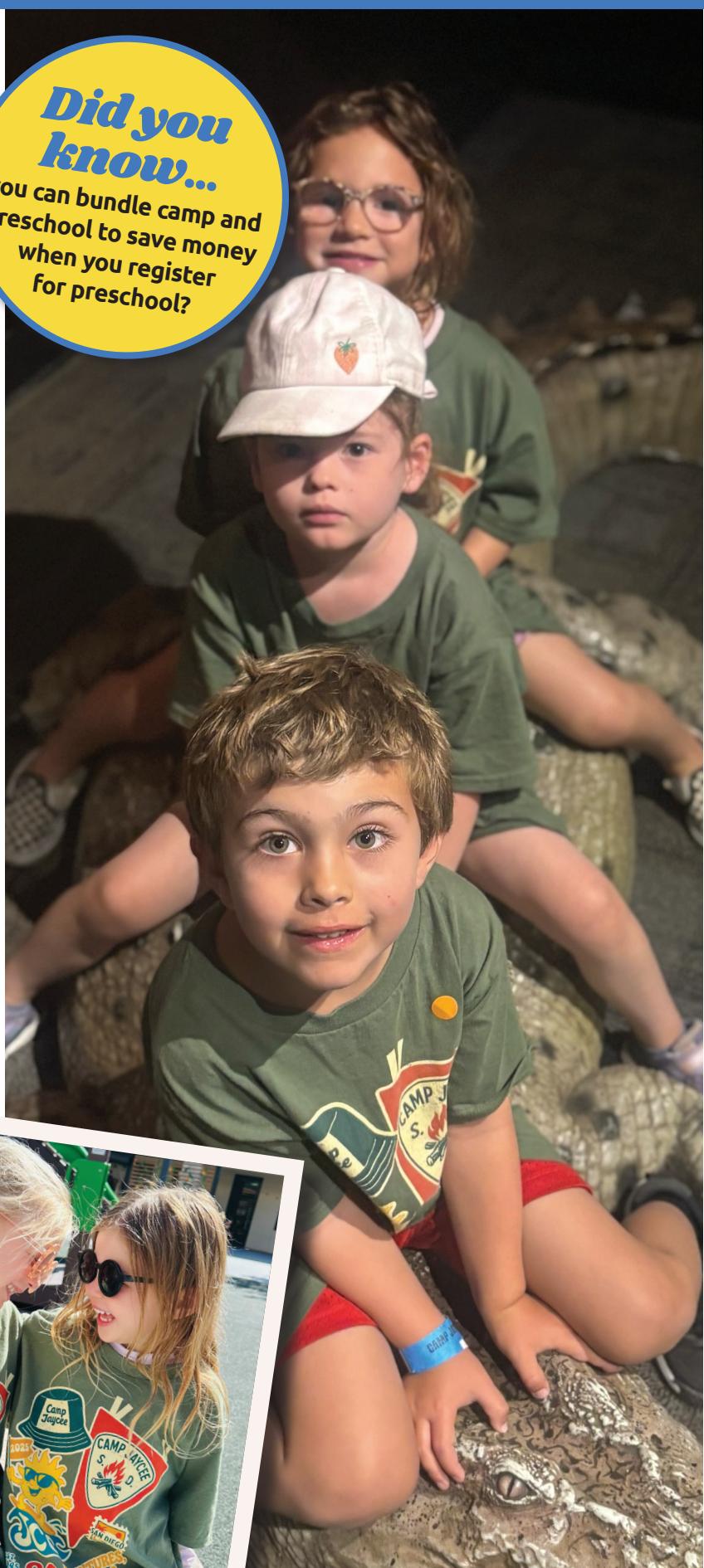
SPANISH IMMERSION* Ages 3 & 4

Two 4-week sessions

SESSION 1: June 15-July 10 SESSION 2: July 13-Aug 7

Half day (to 1:00 pm) or full day (to 3:30 pm)

Give your preschooler a head start in Spanish at Camp Keshet! Designed for beginners, this immersive, play-based program blends art, music, nature, and fun...all in Spanish. Campers build confidence and a love of learning while strengthening listening and speaking skills. Bilingual kids gain self-esteem, cultural awareness, and even a boost in math and science.





CAMP GESHER Grades K-3

Two 4-week sessions

SESSION 1: June 15-July 10 SESSION 2: July 13-Aug 7

In Camp Gesher, your child enjoys a variety of summer activities as they develop existing skills and acquire new ones. Weekly themes and field trips provide a framework for this spirited camp. Each session, campers participate in a late-night activity that includes sports, games, and dinner.

CAMP GESHER: LEGO® Grades K-3

One 4-week session: **June 15-July 10**

Gesher Lego® offers a wide range of activities, including crafts, swimming, sports, and music, alongside their specialty programs.

STEM Discovery using LEGO® Materials Grades K-1

Let your imagination run wild with tens of thousands of LEGO® parts! Build engineer-designed projects as you discover the world around us through our inquiry-based learning model. Projects will be changed daily as we dive into the world of Minecraft, Pokémon, animals, sports, and so much more.

STEM Innovations using LEGO® Materials Grades 2-3

Design and innovate with Play-Well TEKnologies and tens of thousands of LEGO® parts! Apply real-world concepts in physics, engineering, and architecture through engineer-designed projects and an inquiry-based learning classroom model. Projects will be changed daily as we dive into the world of Minecraft, Pokémon, animals, sports, and so much more.

CAMP GESHER: STREAM Grades K-1

One 4-week session: **July 13-Aug 7**

STREAM stands for Science, Technology, Reading, Engineering, Art and Math and this camp focuses on each of these concepts. Campers apply their skills and knowledge to real-world situations and prepare them for the upcoming of the school year. Growing academic confidence with hands-on learning, weekly field trips, and classroom based teaching. Campers still enjoy traditional camp activities too!

CAMP GESHER: SPANISH Grades K-3

Two 4-week sessions

SESSION 1: June 15-July 10

The secret to optimizing fluency is to be in an immersive environment while having fun! Campers enjoy a rich and cultural linguistic experience that incorporates games, interactive activities, culture, field trips, and STEAM in Spanish. All levels are welcome! Your camper speaks Spanish from drop off to pick up with their counselors, teachers, and friends!

CAMP GESHER: INTRO TO MUSIC Grades 2-3

One 4-week session: **July 13-Aug 7**

Are you interested in learning a musical skill/instrument, but not sure, which is your favorite? Second and third graders have an exciting opportunity at our 4-week camp. Campers learn the fundamentals of playing the recorder, keyboard, violin, African drums, make instruments, and learn voice techniques. No previous experience required. Campers also get to enjoy all the traditional camp activities.

CAMP HEVRA (Friendship Group) Grades 4-7

Four 2-week sessions

SESSION 1: June 15-26 SESSION 2: June 29- July 10

SESSION 3: July 13-24 SESSION 4: July 27-Aug 7

Hevra campers have a great summer ahead filled with a wide range of activities such as crafts, swimming, sports, and music. Don't miss out on this fulfilling and extraordinary experience! The first week of each session will be traditional camp. (Except Session 4 will be week 1) and the other week will be focusing on the theme as described below.

SESSION 1: A WORLD OF PUPPETRY (DURING WEEK 2)

Throughout the week, campers explore the magical art of puppetry! They'll build their own hand puppets, marionettes, and more, and then bring them to life with movement and expression.

Campers create characters, imaginative stories, and use both pre-made puppets and their own creations. They'll also learn shadow puppetry and beginner ventriloquism.

SESSION 2: ADVANCED MAGIC / MAGIC 2.0 (DURING WEEK 2)

Ready to take a deep dive into the world of magic? Advanced Magic / Magic 2.0 is perfect for campers who are curious, creative, and eager to learn impressive new tricks—whether this is your first magic camp or you already have some experience.

Campers will explore a thrilling mix of advanced illusions, learning the secrets behind sleight-of-hand, misdirection, and showmanship. They'll also learn how to perform their tricks with confidence, building skills that make every illusion even more impressive.

If you love learning cool skills, want to learn how to perform them, and want to amaze friends and family, come join us—where the magic gets bigger, bolder, and even more unforgettable!

SESSION 3: A TASTE OF AMERICA (DURING WEEK 2)

A cooking camp uniquely dedicated to the diverse cuisine of the various regions in the USA! Spend all week learning to prepare and enjoy food from the different parts of our country. Campers tend to find new foods they love!

SESSION 4: MARINE SCIENCE CAMP* (DURING WEEK 1)

Dive into the excitement of Mission Bay Aquatics Center's Ocean Exploration Camp! Unleash your inner scientist by testing water quality off MBAC's dock, proposing hypotheses, and analyzing results. Discover the microscopic world of plankton and get hands on building your underwater explorer. Join the kayak adventure to explore Mission Bay's ecosystems, catch creatures with a net, and dive into the sensory world of sea creatures.

*Additional waiver must be signed to participate

Sports CAMPS



CAMP GESHER SPORTS (Bridge) Grades K-1

Two 4-week sessions

SESSION 1: June 15–July 10 SESSION 2: July 13–Aug 7

Your sports-minded K-1 child is introduced to a wide variety of traditional sports. From T-ball to Flag Football, campers receive personalized instruction in the morning and friendly competition in the afternoon. Each session is complemented with traditional activities such as arts & crafts, music, swimming, weekly field trips, and a late night.

SESSION 1: SOCCER, BASKETBALL, KICKBALL, SPORTS WEEK

SESSION 2: BASKETBALL, SPORTS WEEK, FLAG FOOTBALL, T-BALL

CAMP KADIMA JR. SPORTS (Go Forward) Grades 2-3

Four 2-week sessions

SESSION 1: June 15–26

SESSION 2: June 29–July 10

SESSION 3: July 13–24

SESSION 4: July 27–Aug 7

Each week focuses on a new sport, from basketball, soccer, pickleball, spikeball, surfing, and golf to more adventurous activities like fencing and bay-based aquatic sports. We emphasize teamwork and good sportsmanship, with professional instruction in golf, fencing and surfing. Campers also participate in traditional camp activities such as arts & crafts, music, swimming and weekly field trips.

SESSION 1: Week 1: SOCCER | Week 2: SURFING*

SESSION 2: Week 1: BASKETBALL | Week 2: FENCING*

SESSION 3: Week 1: FLAG FOOTBALL | Week 2: DAYS AT THE BAY* (MISSION BAY AQUATIC CENTER)

SESSION 4: Week 1: GOLF* | Week 2: PICKLEBALL/SPIKEBALL

**Additional waiver must be signed to participate*

CAMP MACCABIAH (Jewish Olympics) Grades 4-6

Four 2-week sessions

SESSION 1: June 15–26

SESSION 2: June 29–July 10

SESSION 3: July 13–24

SESSION 4: July 27–Aug 7

Calling all sports lovers...Camp Maccabiah awaits! Enjoy overnight trips to Catalina, ocean sports, archery and ultimate frisbee. Campers spend two hours a day with our sports staff, acquiring skill development, good sportsmanship, and learning new games. In the afternoons campers enjoy traditional camp activities such as weekly field trips, music, swimming, and arts & crafts.

SESSION 1: Week 1: BASKETBALL | Week 2: OCEAN SPORTS* (BIKE & KAYAK, INC)

SESSION 2: Week 1: SOCCER/FOOT GOLF | Week 2: UNIVERSAL STUDIOS TRIP*

SESSION 3: Week 1: ULTIMATE FRISBEE (SAN DIEGO GROWLERS) | Week 2: CATALINA TRIP (overnight 3 days/2 nights)*

SESSION 4: Week 1: VOLLEYBALL | Week 2: ARCHERY

**Additional waiver must be signed to participate*



Theatre

CAMP GESHER THEATRE Grades K-1

Two 4-week sessions

SESSION 1: June 15–July 10 | Performance: July 9

SESSION 2: July 13–Aug 7 | Performance: Aug 6

Campers sing, dance, and act their way through the summer while playing theatre games, learning key terms, and honing their facial expressions, body language, and projection, all leading to an exciting end-of-session showcase for family and friends.

And that's not all! Gesher Theatre campers also enjoy traditional camp favorites, including swim lessons, arts & crafts, sports, and field trips.

CAMP KOCHAVIM (Stars) Grades 2–3

Two 4-week sessions

SESSION 1: June 15–July 10 | Performance: July 8

SESSION 2: July 13–Aug 7 | Performance: Aug 5

After auditioning, each camper is casted and learns the ins and outs of costumes, makeup, scenery, backstage, stage, and performing. All campers learn singing, dancing, and acting skills. Campers rehearse their production everyday while also enjoying traditional camp activities such as swimming, arts & crafts, field trips, and sports. At the end of each session, they will showcase their production!

CAMP HABIMA (Stage) Grades 4–6

Musical Theatre Camp

One 6-week session: **June 28–August 7 | Performance: Aug 4**

Get ready for the limelight! This intensive six week camp will carry campers to new levels of excellence by recognizing each camper's individual talent and give them building blocks to grow as performers, developing their skills in acting, voice, dance, stage make-up and prop design. Auditions are held within the first week (everyone is given a role!) and in the final week there is a full-length musical production for family and friends! Habima Campers also enjoy traditional camp activities such as swimming, arts & crafts, and weekly field trips—including a day trip to Universal Studios with a late pickup at camp that evening.

CAMP BIDUR (Entertainment) Grades 7–9

Musical Theatre Camp

One 6-week session: **June 28–August 7 | Performance: Aug 3**

Break a leg with Bidur! Boost your rising star's skills in acting, singing, dancing while building confidence and self-esteem! Campers will work together to design costumes, sets, explore elements of stage make-up and prop design, and execute a spectacular performance. Campers also enjoy traditional camp activities such as swimming, arts & crafts, and weekly field trips— including a day trip to Universal Studios with a late pickup at camp that evening.



STAGE TO SCREEN CREATIVE IMMERSION Grades 4–9

One 2-week session: **June 15–26 | Premier Screening: June 25**

Does your camper have a passion for performing, dancing, or working behind the scenes? This exciting, dynamic experience allows campers to choose from a variety of creative electives. Campers will select one focused discipline for the full two-week session, giving them the opportunity to build skills, confidence, and creativity.

Campers choose one of their focused disciplines for their session.

FILM MAKING / FILM ACTING

Is your child more intrigued by the behind-the-scenes magic of movies than being in the spotlight? Film Making / Film Acting Camp is the perfect fit! Campers will explore the fundamentals of filmmaking—both on camera and off—while collaborating with peers to create their own videos. Best of all, their finished projects will be proudly shared with family and friends.

DANCES OF THE WORLD

Learn a variety of dance styles and about the cultures and traditions that inspired them! Each day campers learn a different dance style from instructors and show off their favorite dance for family and friends at the end of the week!

RECYCLED IN STYLE FASHION

From trashin' to fashion! In the Recycled in Style Fashion camp, campers will transform everyday items you might never expect to wear into creative, fashionable clothing and accessories. Using basic hand-sewing and beginner machine-sewing techniques, campers will learn how to cut, stitch, and assemble their designs while exploring sustainability and self-expression. From sketching ideas to sewing final pieces, campers will build confidence, creativity, and practical skills as they turn recycled materials into runway-ready looks.

Each day includes a mix of specialized Intensive workshops, traditional camp activities like swimming, arts & crafts, and music.

Save the date for our final project premiere—where all the creativity and teamwork come together!



Teen CAMPS



TSOFIM CARAVAN (Scouts) Grades 6–9

Four 2-week sessions

SESSION 1: June 15–26 SESSION 2: June 29–July 10

SESSION 3: July 13–24 SESSION 4: July 27–Aug 7

Tsofim Caravan brings together pre-teens from all over San Diego to share in four different adventures. Campers bond and form close relationships as they enjoy summer experiences together and participate in various sports, games, art, music, swimming, and overnight adventures. One of the two-week sessions will be traditional camp and the other week will be focusing on a theme.

SESSION 1: MISSION BAY AQUATIC CENTER* (DURING WEEK 2)

Campers get wet and wild at Mission Bay Aquatic Center, enjoying fun activities such as tubing, knee boarding, and more! Teens spend 5 days at the bay participating in fun-in-the-sun activities. Don't miss one of the most popular sessions of the summer!

SESSION 2: WHITEWATER RAFTING* (DURING WEEK 2)

Join us as we head north for a whitewater rafting expedition! The first week of the session will be spent in San Diego having a blast while we prepare for our journey. The second week, we head up to Northern California for hiking, rafting, and exploring the beautiful nature at Kings River or American River (depending on water levels). Teens camp on the banks of the river and enjoy activities like sing-alongs and s'mores!

SESSION 3: ADVENTURE AWAITS* (DURING BOTH WEEKS)

Tsofim Caravan hits the road for an unforgettable, adventure-packed journey across San Diego! Campers will feel the thrill of iconic roller coasters and rides, highlighted by a one-of-a-kind overnight sleepover at SeaWorld. After the park closes, campers will explore SeaWorld at night, sleep inside the Turtle Encounter exhibit, enjoy a special behind-the-scenes experience, and spend a full day adventuring, laughing, and bonding with friends.

The excitement continues as campers race down exhilarating water slides at a local water park and cap off the session with a classic ride on the historic Giant Dipper Roller Coaster at Belmont Park—creating memories that will last long after the adventure ends.

SESSION 4: PADDLE SPORTS* (DURING WEEK 1)

Back by popular demand, we're headed for the beach! Join your Tsofim friends and enjoy doing paddle sports, including kayaking and stand-up paddling (one of San Diego's most popular) taught by the experts from Mission Bay Aquatic Center.

**Additional waiver must be signed to participate*

COUNSELOR-IN-TRAINING (CIT) Grades 10–11

6-WEEK SESSION: June 15–July 24 2-WEEK ADD-ON: July 27–Aug 7

Ready to become a superstar camp counselor? Join our Counselor-in-Training (CIT) Camp and dive into a hands-on leadership adventure! Each week, campers will learn the essentials of leading groups, creating engaging activities, designing games and crafts, and supporting campers of all ages. CITs will also receive first aid training and certification.

Throughout the program, CITs put their skills into action by helping in our camps every day—gaining real-world experience while building confidence, teamwork, and leadership skills. As a highlight of the program, campers will also experience an exciting day at a ropes course facilitated by the UCSD Challenge Course, where they will strengthen communication, problem-solving, and trust in a fun, supportive environment.



Join Our Team!

NOW HIRING GRADES 11 & UP

CAMP COUNSELORS and LIFEGUARDS

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Pre CAMPS

WEEK 1 | June 1-5

SLIME TIME Grades K-3

In slime camp, we learn how to make slime out of common household items. Slime lovers will have the chance to get their hands dirty by using a variety of different ingredients to make the thickest, ooey-gooiest slime around!

DANCE Grades K-2

Learn a variety of dance styles and about the cultures and traditions that inspired them! Each day campers learn a different dance style from instructors and show off their favorite dance for family and friends at the end of the week!

EXPLORE CODING USING LEGO® SPIKE PRIME SYSTEM Grades K-3

Rise to the challenge to build and program robots using the LEGO® Spike Prime system! Learn about mechanical and software design, loops, conditional statements, problem solving, and teamwork skills. Design and construct your robot to avoid obstacles, pick up and carry objects, and play sounds. Projects are structured so that students work in an open-ended, investigative environment while having fun!

POKÉMON Grades 3-6

In Pokémon camp, we focus on everything Pokémon! We trade and battle with Pokémon cards, making cool Pokémon crafts from accessories to statuettes to our very own cards, and everything in between; playing Pokémon-related games to test your physical abilities as a Pokémon trainer, as well as trivia to test your Poké-knowledge.

SURFING* Grades 3-7

Join our experienced friends at Surf Sessions and learn surfing techniques, water safety, and an appreciation for the ocean. Campers surf for half of the day and then come back to the J to participate in traditional camp activities. This camp is open to surfers of all skill levels.

Prerequisite: Participants must be able to swim.

WEEK 2 | June 8-12

DANCE Grades K-2

Learn a variety of dance styles and about the cultures and traditions that inspired them! Each day campers learn a different dance style from instructors and show off their favorite dance for family and friends at the end of the week!

OLYMPIC GAMES Grades K-3

Spend the week competing in different games, sports and activities. Campers earn points and represent their team's country through a variety of events! Do you have what it takes to earn a gold medal?

NATURAL SCIENCE/ ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE Grades 3-6

There are so many cool ways that we use science and inventions to understand the natural world around us! We build a variety of creations built around understanding nature, with lessons on things like meteorology, as well as making inventions that harness the powers and attributes of the natural world.

DANCES OF THE WORLD Grades 3-6

Learn a variety of dance styles and about the cultures and traditions that inspired them! Each day campers learn a different dance style from instructors and show off their favorite dance for family and friends at the end of the week!

HOOK, LINE & SINKER Grades 3-6

One of our most popular camps, Hook, Line and Sinker Camp takes campers around to some of the best fishing spots in the county to reel in the big catch! We teach the fundamentals of fishing: putting together the best line for the location and desired catch, safely handling a rod, and the tactics to better your chances of catching a fish. We take them pier fishing and on a half-day boat on the open water after the biggest catches possible. While we encourage campers to bring their own rods, we have loaner rods for those who don't have their own.

Post CAMPS

WEEK 1 | August 10-14

OLYMPIC GAMES Grades K-3

Spend the week competing in different games, sports and activities. Campers earn points and represent their team's country through a variety of events! Do you have what it takes to earn a gold medal?

CERAMICS/ART Grades K-7

This week is all about creativity and hands on fun. Kids will explore clay through slabs, coils, pinch pots, textures, and simple glazing to make both useful and decorative art. We will also use drawing, painting, and mixed media to finish special keepsake pieces of art.

FENCING* Grades 2-6

Camp Jaycee is partnering with Team Touché to help refine free-swinging students into deft deflectors and Z-carving virtuosos. They are challenged to learn French and Italian terminology embedded in this classical sport. With Team Touché, campers glean knowledge and techniques, and pursue whole-body fitness while partaking in engaging activities.

SCI-FI SPACE EXPLORATION Grades 3-6

In this camp, we imagine the many kinds of adventures that await us among the stars, and bring our imagination to life as we make up new planets, aliens, weapons, and technology that play a part in our own interstellar Sci-Fi adventure! Campers draw inspiration from great Sci-Fi franchises (Star Wars, Star Trek, Dune, Avatar, superhero comics, space westerns, Halo, Aliens, Metroid, etc.) or make a universe all their own!

HORSEBACK RIDING* Grades 3-7

At Rockin' L&D Ranch, campers learn horsemanship and sportsmanship in a fun, safe, and supportive environment. Campers ride daily and discover what it truly takes to care for a horse. The program covers the full spectrum of horsemanship, including understanding horse behavior, grooming, leading, tacking up, Western dressage, traditional Western riding skills, and ranch skills such as goat tying, weighing feed, bathing horses, and cleaning stalls and saddles.

Rockin' L&D Ranch upholds the high standards and protocols of the Certified Horsemanship Association. On the final day, campers participate in a horse show and skills demonstration and a showcase on Friday.



WEEK 2 | August 17-21

COZY COMFORT FOOD Grades K-6

There's nothing quite like a warm, hearty, home-cooked meal! At Cooking: Cozy Comfort Food camp, we'll explore dishes from around the world that inspire that unmistakable feeling of comfort and togetherness. Campers will learn to create a variety of recipes that remind us of home—meals that soothe the soul, spark nostalgia, and celebrate the joy of cooking. From familiar favorites to new global classics, each dish is chosen for the simple delight it brings. Join us as we discover how food can connect us, comfort us, and make every kitchen feel like home.

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General INFORMATION



Bus Transportation Grades K-11

Between June 15 and August 7, 2026, limited transportation is available for campers four years and older from designated sites in the following areas (subject to minimum enrollment):

- Carmel Valley
- Del Cerro
- Del Mar
- 4s Ranch
- Rancho Bernardo

Transportation is available on a first-come, first-served basis.

If your child is under age 8 or under 4'9", you must supply a booster seat.

Please be advised: If your child misses the bus four consecutive days without notification, he/she will be dropped from the bus roster.

Extended Care

Extended hours before and after camp are available for an additional fee. After extended hours for camp keshet aged campers are available only after 3:30 pm. There is an additional fee per child per half hour.

Multi-Session Sibling Discount

The discount is based on total weeks registered per family:

4 weeks \$25 camp Keshet (3 full/5 half days) | 4 weeks \$40

6 weeks \$60

8 weeks \$80 Camp Keshet (3 full/5 half days) | 8 weeks \$80

12 weeks \$120

16 weeks \$200*

*There is a maximum of a \$200 discount per family.

Not applicable to preschool bundle rate, Hevra, Maccabiah, Tsofim, CIT, Pre/Post camps, 3rd Party Payers, or any new camps for 2026.

JCC Financial Assistance

Financial assistance for Camp Jaycee is made possible through the generosity of our community's philanthropic supporters.

For more information, please visit campjaycee.com/financial-assistance.

Alternative Payment Program

You may also qualify for the Alternative Payment Program, a public funding option that helps partially cover the cost of Camp Jaycee.

Learn more at childcaresandiego.com

Flexible Payment Plans

After registering, you can begin making payments toward Camp Jaycee fees on a schedule that works for your budget. Please note that all camp fees must be paid in full prior to the start of camp.

Reach out to Sadeer Jumaah at sadeerj@lfccc.org for more information.

Inclusion

Camp Jaycee is a fully inclusive camp. For inclusion support, please contact Molly at mollym@lfjcc.org by February 15th.



Early Bird SPECIAL

Register by February 15, 2026 and receive 2025 Pricing!
Sign up now!

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Reasons TO CHOOSE CAMP JAYCEE!

1 We are Nationally Accredited

We are both American Camping Association (ACA) and National Inclusion Project (NIP) accredited which means that our camp has undergone a thorough (up to 300 standards) review of operation — from staff qualifications and training to emergency management. ACA collaborates with experts from American Academy of Pediatrics, the American Red Cross, and other youth-serving agencies to ensure that current practices reflect the most up-to-date research-based standards in camp operation. NIP Accreditation is one of the country's gold standard inclusive recreation providers! The NIP recognizes camps that meet the highest standards of inclusion. We are inclusive, in mission, design and practice and Camp Jaycee serves as a model summer camp welcoming and serving children of all abilities.

2 Transportation To and From Camp

We currently offer transportation to and from Rancho Bernardo, 4S Ranch, Del Cerro, Del Mar, Carmel Valley, and downtown.

3 A Full Day Schedule

A full day of Camp Jaycee is from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm, with additional hours before and after available through our Extended Care program.

4 Swimming Lessons and Recreation

Campers swim every day! The Friedenberg Olympic-size pool has a full deck, a large wading pool, and a huge jacuzzi. American Red Cross-certified instructors provide swim lessons for children from four years to third grade.

5 The Perfect Place, The Perfect Space!

We provide everything kids need to have fun indoors and out! Camps take complete advantage of the fantastic JCC facilities including: Friedenberg Olympic-size pool, the 500-seat David & Dorothea Garfield Theatre, the Gotthelf Dance Studio, the Royston Science Lab, the lush Edgar Berner Family Ball Fields, Albert A. Hutter Tennis Courts, and much more.

Create a Jewish Camp Legacy

Anyone of any age is welcome to join The Joan & Irwin Jacobs JCC Jewish Legacy Society. We invite you to sign a "letter of Intent" that indicates your commitment to formalize a plan providing a financial gift to Camp Jaycee in your Estate. Your support helps sustain the future of our camp and shows your deep love for and connection to Camp Jaycee.

Send a Child to Camp

Many children need your financial support so that they may benefit from the growth and enrichment of a day camp experience. You can help make it possible by donating to these worthy funds. Please send your tax-deductible contribution to the JCC Scholarship Fund. All donations are gratefully accepted.

Support a Camper with Special Needs

If you would like to sponsor a camper with special needs this summer, fill in the amount on the registration, and we'll take care of the rest. Donations of any denomination are greatly appreciated.

Interested? Contact Ludivine De Anda at ludivined@lfjcc.org

6 Safety First, and Always

Our staff is not only trained in providing fun and engaging activities to kids of all ages, they're also safety experts. CPR-trained lifeguards and camp staff, along with our low staff-to-camper ratio, ensure Camp Jaycee is enjoyable and safe. Additionally, the JCC is located next door to the Northern Division of the San Diego Police and Fire Department.

7 Everyone is Invited!

Since 1945, we've been providing campers with adventure, friendship, and memories. You'll find kids of all races, religions, and nationalities enjoying Camp Jaycee. There are scholarships available and easy access for children with disabilities. Flexible monthly payment plans are available for summer camp.

8 Staff Excellence

When it comes to the staff, no other camp comes close to Camp Jaycee. Our highly qualified staff are American Camping Association (ACA)-trained with focus on child development, group dynamics, age-appropriate programming, first aid, and more. Hands-on attention is guaranteed. Camp Jaycee has one of the best staff-to-camper ratios in San Diego.

9 Endless Activities for All Ages and Interests

We have engaging, educational, and fun activities for every child: arts and crafts, ceramics, magic, dance, fencing, archery, music, leadership training, sports, computer programming, swimming, music camps, teen travel, LEGO®, science, strings, ultimate Frisbee, Hebrew, Spanish, Ga-Ga, Star Wars and much more!

10 Judaica Specialists

Camp Jaycee is fortunate to have three Shlichim (counselors) from Israel who enrich camp by sharing Jewish customs, dancing, music, Hebrew, and more. Every week concludes with a camp-wide Shabbat celebration.

Camp Jaycee Alumni

Join at lfjcc.org/alumni & let us connect you with other Camp Jaycee Alumni!

Camping with Olamim Grades K-5

Escape the ordinary and embrace the extraordinary with our Olamim outdoor camping program!

Immerse yourself in the beauty of nature and the thrill of adventure as you embark on an unforgettable camping experience. Olamim is a wonderful opportunity for dads and their children to meet new people, spend time together hiking, cozy tent living, doing crafts, roasting marshmallows, and enjoying Havdalah by the campfire under the stars. Pack your sense of adventure and join us for a weekend of camaraderie, exploration, and a rejuvenating break from the everyday hustle!

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It Started with Camp: FINDING LOVE & FAMILY AT CAMP JAYCEE

BY SHANI AVSHALOMOV & REANNA MUSTAIN

Lauren & Gabe

Lauren and Gabe grew up in the same JCC world — summers at Camp Jaycee, days in the pool and on the field — but their paths never crossed. That changed one summer, when camp paired them as *Hevra* counselors and an easy friendship formed, quietly becoming the beginning of the life they share today.

The JCC wasn't just familiar to Lauren, it felt foundational. "The first JCC experience I had was preschool. I was two years old, in Mommy & Me, and Judy was my teacher," Lauren recalls. She attended preschool at the J, performed in JCompany shows like *Oklahoma!* and *The Wiz*, and spent "so many years" in summer camp.

Gabe's childhood meandered through many of the same spaces. He also grew up attending camp, including the eighth-grade overnight program. But, because he is a year younger, their paths didn't cross until the summer after Gabe graduated high school and Lauren returned after her freshman year of college. "We were both in *Hevra*, and that's where we got to know each other," Lauren says. "We ended up getting really close that summer... spending all our days in camp together and then hanging out after."

Lauren recalls her first impression, "We were put together in the same group, and I didn't really think I was gonna like him—we have kind of polar opposite personalities." But by the end of summer, it was clear their connection wouldn't fade with August. Summer may have been over, but their closeness stayed. "We didn't realize how well we were going to keep in touch," Lauren says. "We were still Skyping every day," a surprise to her, after what she assumed would be a short-lived summer friendship.

By their second summer, Gabe didn't want to leave the pairing to chance, so he made a quick stop. "I think Sandy should get a shout-out," he says. "I went into her office and said, 'Hey Sandy... I really want to be paired with Lauren...I know you're not supposed to do that type of thing, but come on!'" Sandy laughed and said, "Okay, back together." As Gabe puts it, "The first summer was random. The second one was with a little helping hand."

Recalling certain moments from their counselor years, Gabe remembers Lauren leading the *Hannah Montana "Hoedown Throwdown"*, and an 80s-themed workout day, complete with her mom's old VHS tapes and leotards. And there was the Mission Bay kayaking field trip where, by chance, neither counselor ended up with a camper. "So we got to be in a kayak together," Lauren recalls. "And everybody was racing, and we crushed it, being the only two 'adults' in a kayak."

Years later, the heart of those summers still lives in their home. Their children attended Nierman Preschool, they go to JCompany shows as a family, and Camp Jaycee traditions live forward. "Some of the songs we did during Shabbat, we still do with our kids...in the same tune," Gabe says. "Our kids now are learning those from when we were camp counselors."

Lauren and Gabe didn't meet as campers. They met as counselors. But the JCC shaped them long before that, and now shapes their children as well. **What began with a *Hevra* pairing became a relationship, a marriage, and a family growing into the same community that once brought two young counselors together.**





Robyn & Matt

Robyn and Matt met in the summer of 2003 at Camp Jaycee. Robyn was a unit leader for Gesher 1 & Matt was a counselor for Gesher 2. Robyn had spent lots of her life at Camp Jaycee and was excited for another summer of creating magic for kids. At the time, Matt was between years of law school and needed a break. Law was heavy, and camp felt like a breath of fresh air! His girlfriend at the time suggested he spend summer break working at a day camp to clear his mind of the educational stress. And that one suggestion changed his life forever.

That summer, Robyn and Matt became close friends. They laughed together, worked side by side, and got to know each other in the easy, honest way that camp allows. No pressure. No rush. Just long days, shared purpose, and a lot of laughs.

When summer ended, their connection did not. They got back in touch in the fall when Matt reached out, and Robyn was excited to hear from him. One conversation led to another, and soon enough, friendship turned into something more. They began dating in the fall of 2003, after the summer they became friends.

Three years later, they were building a life together and getting ready to move into their first home. One afternoon, they decided to visit the Gotthelf Art Gallery at the J. They knew the artwork was out of their budget, but they wanted to spend the day together, looking around and dreaming a little.

What Robyn did not know was that Matt had a plan. With help from Sandy, our beloved Camp Jaycee director, the J was cleared so they could have a quiet, private moment. In that space,

surrounded by art and meaning at the place they first met, Matt got down on one knee and asked Robyn to marry him. Sandy was the first to congratulate them, smiling at a moment she helped make possible.

For Robyn, the J was never just a place. Her mom was a preschool teacher, so the JCC had been part of her life from the very beginning. Camp, classrooms, friendships. It was home.

Today, Robyn and Matt have two daughters, ages 12 and 15. Their older daughter is celebrating her bat mitzvah next month! Both girls attend Camp Jaycee every summer & love every minute of it. They already talk about becoming counselors-in-training, and someday counselors themselves.

The magic of camp does not end with one summer, or even one love story. It carries forward; through families, through memories, through the next group of kids running across the field, forming friendships that may last a lifetime.

Robyn laughs when she says that Sandy played a role in bringing her and Matt together. But at the J, that kind of thing happens all the time. Camp creates space for connection, growth, and love.

Somewhere right now, a camper is meeting a future best friend. Or maybe something more. That is the magic of Camp Jaycee. And it keeps going, generation to generation.