

Week 1

Parshas
Pinchas



CAMP ASHREINU

newsletter

What an Amazing First Week of Camp!

Wow – we can't believe the first week of Camp Ashreinu has already passed! we had an incredible week!

From our colorful toddlers, and Once Upon a Summer stories, to all the action and sports with the boys, the on-the-go fun with TC Boys, and all the laughing and jokes with the TC girls – it was truly a fantastic first week! The girls had a great time ice skating, the boys had a blast bowling, and every division was full of energy, excitement, ruach, and summer fun.

All around camp we saw happy faces, great energy, new friendships, and so many special moments. We are so lucky to have the best staff! A huge thank-you to our hardworking division heads for pulling together such an amazing summer, to all of our support staff who make camp possible behind the scenes, to our awesome preschool counselors, our amazing boys JCs, our wonderful Seed boy counselors, and our incredible seed girls. Camp Ashreinu would not be the same without each of you!

Thank you as well to CHDS for all of their help, and to everyone who pitched in to make this first week such a success. It was truly the best start to an amazing summer!

We hope everyone had an easy and meaningful fast, and may we be zoche to celebrate Tisha B'Av in Yerushalayim with the Beis Hamikdash.

Wishing everyone a beautiful and restful Shabbos!

Mrs. Goodman
Camp Ashreinu

As in the past,
Camp Ashreinu would like
to acknowledge and
express our tremendous
Hakaras HaTov/
appreciation to
Mrs. Ellen Pollock for her
years & years of
constant toil and Mesirus
Nefesh to create and form
Camp Ashreinu...
so that it is
The Best Camp
in the MidWest!!!



TODDLER



Division

Our Colorful Cuties entered our little rainbow land and had a color-tastic first week in toddler camp!

We splashed into swimming, sang our way through the day, davened so sweetly, danced to music, dressed up, colored, and created rainbow and food art.

Bubble Day was bouncing with fun “One, two, three, blow... watch our bubble grow!” and “One, two, three, plop... watch our bubble pop!”

We even had a surprise when we found a 'not so little' frog outside! It was a week full of giggles, colorful fun, and lots of play and we can't wait to roll right into Red Week!

Have a good Shabbos!



PRESCHOOL

Division



What an Amazing first Week at Camp Ashreinu!

What a fun-filled week we've had exploring our "Jobs" theme!

Our preschool campers had a blast becoming dentists, photographers, librarians, and cashiers through exciting hands-on activities and imaginative play.

The fun kept going with swimming, sports, delicious food crafts, creative art projects, and so many smiles and laughs along the way! Every day was packed with adventure and learning.

We can't wait to see what exciting jobs and adventures next week has in store! Thank you for sharing your amazing campers with us—we're having the best summer together!

Thank you mussi avtzon for all your hard work helping us prepare each day!

Have a great Shabbos!

Malka Heiman and Yocheved Kaufman



GIRLS Division



CAMP CAMP CAMP ASHREINU!!!!

What an amazing start to camp! Our theme this year is Once Upon a Summer where each day's theme will be based on a children's book. This week we had "If you give a mouse a cookie" and "The constitution/ 4th of July".

While this week was a bit shorter, the girls schedule was packed with swimming, baking, shiur, sports, arts & crafts, ice skating, skits and counselor games. Did I mention all the dancing and cheering?!?!

Welcome and a big THANK YOU to all of the fantastic counselors!!

A big THANK YOU as well to Mrs. Goodman for the countless hours that goes into preparing and running camp!

Lastly, THANK YOU parents for sending your amazing, fun , delicious girls for us to enjoy this summer!

We are looking forward to an unbelievable summer at CAMP ASHREINU GIRLS!!

Have a restful shabbos,
Mrs.Devora Krupnik



TC GIRLS Division



Knock, knock... Who's there? TC'S are!
And we started off with a BANG!

It's been nonstop action, laughs, and fun from the very first day! We kicked off the week with an unforgettable trip to Activate—it was on another level!

On Wednesday, we cooled off with ice skating and a hilarious game of Freeze Tag to celebrate Freezing Day! To help us stay cozy, we even made our very own snuggly blankets, and we also got to make fresh lettuce salads.

One of the biggest highlights of the week was learning our TC song, perfecting all the motions, and performing it for the entire camp! And of course... our brand-new TC sweatshirts!! Best. Surprise. Ever. We are absolutely obsessed!

What an incredible start—we can't wait to see what the rest of the summer has in store!



BOYS Division



Camp ASHREINU in PAJAMAS in the middle of the night!!!

After a loooong year, we're finally back.....CAMP ASHREINU!!!!

The summer started off with the Camp Ashreinu minhag of giving our counselors and JC's a nice, warm, big, exciting welcome as each counselor ran into a room full of excited children and received many high fives!

Tuesday - after the introductions, we settled into our learning groups. The beautiful Davening and Kol Torah was music to my ears. After that, we gathered in the lunchroom for the very important task of trying to figure out our camp song. The boys were singing and dancing to fun songs such as Camp Ashreinu in Pajamas in the Middle of the Night, Camp Ashreinu is a Big Tzaddik and Dip the Apple in Camp Ashreinu. Camp song - yet to be determined :). We then headed off to the pool where we were treated to some cool refreshing water, fun slide and exhilarating diving board on a super hot day. For the boys whose bus came late - our terrific counselors pulled off an impromptu Color War!! With dances and all! Rabbi Fishman's lunches are back!! Musical Chairs.....ummmmm.....

Wednesday - Capture the Flag.....Workshops with Rabbi Raubvogel.....Cornhole competitions.....a fun trip to Bowling!! Some boys even topped 100!

Thursday - A half a day. Sitting Elimination (a Camp Ashreinu favorite!!!) is back! We all gathered in the lunchroom for Camp Ashreinu Biingo! Fun prizes to be won! Or you could opt for a mystery prize.....

We can't wait to see what excitement next week will bring!

Have the most amazing Shabbos,

Rabbi Kugel

PS A BIG thank you to Mrs. Goodman and all the staff who worked tirelessly for us to be ready for camp!



TC BOYS Division



Welcome TC's 2026 תשפ"ו! The excitement was riding high as we gathered to welcome back all the familiar faces and to teach the new TCs a little bit about the TC way of things, like what color is what. After some beautiful and serious learning, we headed over to Volunteer Park—aka Wihie, aka TC Day 1 Park—for a game of flag football. Real Avi Fishman accidentally caught the ball for the wrong team. Yosef Brand can spin like a ballerina. Touchdown! JC Yitzi Goldschmiedt kicked, I mean, was a field goal. We desperately wanted to load the buses, but we were too intrigued hearing about Akiva Kunin's Aunt Debra who visited the Rockies with her pet to compete in a Duck Duck Goose tournament.

What could be better in 127 degree weather than jumping in the pool? How about in a humongous pool with a phenomenal slide and a great diving board. Surgeon general warning: if you land on your back, it will hurt. Mordechai Motzen valiantly tried to pass the deep water test by proclaiming "I am a real TC," gargle gargle. With a mix of total confidence and a lot of uncertainty as to where we were heading next (yeah, go figure), we loaded the vans. Are we lost? Didn't we miss the exit?...Archery Arena! Running, shooting, dodging, and reloading was a blast. The 7th and 8th graders struggled to fend off the 6th graders. Azriel Bachrach's infection spread faster than COVID. President Moshe A Raubvogel couldn't survive the assassination attempts- maybe take lessons from your Commander in Chief. Shmuel Epstein and his group had a great time at Top Golf.

On Wednesday, we went to Charlie's backyard for a great game of baseball. Ilan Goldschmiedt says goalies don't move. This is baseball, Ilan. It came down to the last half inning and the realization that Shlomo Weinrib likes bunting and Eli Alden likes pickles. Now we know what to get you for your Bar Mitzvah. Later, rumors were that missing Counselor Shua Kaminetzky had made an appearance at a bowling alley across town, so we went searching for him. Chasdei Hashem, we found him, and once there, we decided to hang around a little. Having perfected the art of strikes earlier in the day, several boys now put that skill to use. There's a time and place for everything. The Rebba, Admor Aharon Heinemann, had deep machshavos and kavana at his lane. Although we had a shortened day on Thursday, we packed it in. We had our first chance at woodworking, on our way to making shtenders. After basketball for non fasters, we had our first TC Special. Yosef Meir Stern showed off the art of making a mummy. Gabbai Dovid Kaufman displayed why he is the quintessential helper. In a showdown of the Avi Fishmans, Avi "I have been waiting years for this" Jr. seemed to have x-ray vision as he navigated through tables and chairs to get to that ping pong ball. However, I still am unsure why Real Avi was blowing the floor clean-just get a broom?

On Friday, we are scheduled to introduce our much-anticipated All Types and Stripes League. The Kumzitzers, Farbrengers, Tischers, and Real Yidden are going to battle it out this summer.

Have a wonderful Shabbos!

Rabbi Shalom Zehnwirth



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with the seed girls

3:30-4:30 IN CZE

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for the TC's

AT BOYS / AMBERLY BUILDING

6701 ELBROOK AVE

7:30



THANK YOU



to our amazing counselors!

Your energy, creativity, patience, and dedication make every day at camp unforgettable!

We appreciate you so much!

N1	 Smiley Sailors	Tmima Grun & Ayala Zuckerman 
N2	 Friendly Farmers	Racheli Berinstein & Tzipora Koslowitz 
Pre-K1	 Playful Police	Bracha Heinemann & Tehilla Seinfeld 
Pre-K2	 Playful Painters	Malka Ottensoser, Rachel Walfish & Sara Reva Newmark 
K1	 Friendly Firefighters	Simi Perl & Racheli Markowitz 
K2	 Construction Crew	Bassi Hauer, Malka Mayer & Leeba Klinkowitz 
K3	 Giggly Gardeners	Chaya Sara Grossman & Rochel Katz 