



## WELCOME TO FOUNDATION FOR JEWISH CAMP!

To be included in our camp network, a camp must have an explicit Jewish mission, celebrate Shabbat in some manner, create a knowledge of or connection to Israel, and have operated for at least one camp season.

Camps are responsible for providing proof of the following:

1. Operation in the USA or Canada and a certificate of insurance.
2. Registration as or part of an organization with 501(C)3 or Canadian equivalent.
3. Demonstrate good governance and sustainability by having written governance policies, an active board, and a financial plan and/or budgets that demonstrate fiscal health.
4. *Day camp only*: Engages children 3+ years old, offers multiple summer experiences that are at least a week long, and is encouraging of multi-year camper participation for at least 4 consecutive summers.\*
5. *Overnight camp only*: Be immersive, self-contained\*\*, and encouraging of multi-year participation.
6. Mandatory annual camp census compliance (enrollment, capacity utilization and board contact information).
7. Yearly information verification/updates for FJC Find-A-Camp on [jewishcamp.org](http://jewishcamp.org).
8. Placement of FJC logo on camp website.

As part of the FJC network, listed camps will enjoy the benefits of professional development, communities of practice; grant opportunities, and other consultations. Upon acceptance into our network, you will automatically be added to our database to receive communications about upcoming programs and opportunities.

Camps are encouraged to attend FJC's biennial Leaders Assembly.

Full review of compliance with these criteria will be conducted every 5 years, including resubmission of required documentation.

We suggest you begin to follow Foundation for Jewish Camp on our social media outlets as well as join our Facebook group *FJC: Jewish Camp Professionals*

\*FJC is still developing plans for a day camp network, and will have more information forthcoming. This document, including bullet point 4, outlines how we anticipate eligibility.

\*\*Self-contained applies to programs that operate in non-traditional settings like travel programs or dorms, and do so independently of other programs that might be operating in the same space. These programs must also demonstrate that the program operates 24/7 with no camper 'time off' in the evenings or on weekends.

Any questions or concerns? Please contact Marisa Braunstein, Assistant Program Manager at [marisa@jewishcamp.org](mailto:marisa@jewishcamp.org)