

## Read before using Interfaith Camp Guide!

## STEP 1:

Set meetings or phone calls with your area camps to gain a better understanding of their relationship with the interfaith community.

## STEP 2:

Discuss.

- Can the camp estimate how many of their campers come from interfaith households?
- Does the camp have any policy related to interfaith families or patrilineal descent?
- Does the camp actively recruit interfaith campers? Where do they reach these families?
- What kinds of questions do they hear from prospective interfaith families?
- How do they answer those questions and concerns?
- How do children from interfaith families experience camp?
- Is there any expectation of prior Jewish knowledge, whether liturgical, religious, cultural, or historical?
- Does the camp do anything to prepare campers and/or their families prior to the start of the summer?

## STEP 3:

Once you have a better understanding of the inclusive nature of your area camps in terms of interfaith campers, make a list of camps that would be appropriate fits for prospective interfaith families.

- **3a.** Be sure to add those camps and their contact info to the Interfaith Camp Guide. (And don't forget about adding YOUR contact info!)
- **3b.** Also, Interfaith Family and Big Tent Judaism both offer online directories of inclusive organizations. If the camps on your list are not yet included on these two resources, recommend that they reach out and ask to be added.

Interfaith Family: http://bit.ly/2cgORcb

Big Tent Judaism: <a href="http://bigtentjudaism.org/connect-to-community/directory-of-inclusivity/">http://bigtentjudaism.org/connect-to-community/directory-of-inclusivity/</a>