



More Spring Preparation for Camp Avoda

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Please join us for our
Rookie Day* - New Camper Orientation
Saturday, June 19th, 2021

2:00-4:00

Rookies = First-Time Campers*

We'll give Rookies a taste of camp: the boys will get to meet other first-time campers and get to know each other, play some Avoda games with a handful of our counselors, and get a head-start on the summer! Parents can become acquainted, too!

Activities will take place outdoors except for tours of the buildings.

- Q&A for parents
- Tours
- Activities for campers
- Snacks
- All siblings are welcome: brothers and sisters

Please call 401-465-1516 or email Ronni at Ronni@campavoda.org to RSVP.

Feel free to bring your son's luggage to save time and car space on opening day!



Stay connected with your son during the summer

Online Photos, News, & Camper Email!

Visit us on-line at www.campavoda.org

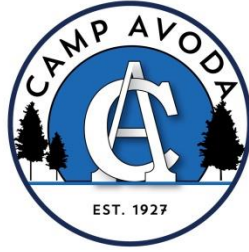
You can **email** your son, **see photos** daily, and read our **daily blog!**

Quick Login Review

- Go to our website at www.campavoda.org
- To read the Directors' Blog and to see Daily Photos, click on the "Your Camper Login" button on the right/middle on the home page.
 - Use your CampMinder/CampInTouch login!
- To send your son(s) an email, click on "Current Families" at the top navigation on any page of the site.
 - *Click Email Your Camper* - on the left navigation
 - Enter this year's password: *summer2021*
- View camper pictures, read the blog, and send an email to your camper!

Detailed Directions

<p>How do I view pictures? From the home page, click on "Your Camper Login" as described above. Login with your CampMinder Camp In Touch credentials. Under "Online Community" click on "Photos." Choose date and album so you can see each day's highlights. You can mark your favorites that go into your favorite's folder. You can email the photo to a friend. You can enlarge and download electronic photos of your favorite pictures. You can purchase prints and other items for additional costs.</p>	<p>How do I send a Bunk Note (one-way email) to my camper? Click on the "Current Families" from the top navigation bar of any page on our web site. Then click "Email Your Camper" on the left menu. Enter the password as described above and hit "Submit." Enter "From Name (you)," "Camper First Name," "Camper Last Name," "Bunk #," type your "Message" in the dialogue box, and hit the "Submit" button. We will print this message and hand it to your son <u>the following day</u>. Please try to limit these to one per day.</p>
<p>How do I read the Director's Blog? From the home page, click on "Your Camper Login" as described above. Login with your CampMinder Camp In Touch credentials. Under "Online Community" click on "News." Choose the entry you want – we will date them so you can read about each day's activities.</p>	<p>Can other relatives use these services? Certainly. Please share the <u>email</u> password only with relatives. To set up a Guest Account for <u>photos and news</u>, simply login to Camp In Touch, and under On-line Community, click on Guest Account and follow the instructions.</p>



Arrival Times and Protocols at Camp:

We are encouraging all families to bring their sons to camp by car if at all possible. **All unvaccinated campers must have a COVID-19 PCR/Molecular test 72 hours before arrival at camp.**

If your unvaccinated son is flying, please plan to provide proof of a negative PCR COVID test to Ken or Ronni before your son boards the plane. You can take a photo of the document and email to info@campavoda.org or text it to Ken or Ronni. As always, your son can be greeted at the airport by a member of the Avoda team if choosing to fly. You will be notified of his safe arrival. Please schedule a flight so that your son arrives at Logan airport between 10:00 am and 12:00 noon for your scheduled session (6/27 or 7/25). Please contact Leon Dyer directly to discuss logistics for arrival and departure flights at leondyer@campavoda.org.

For those traveling to camp by car, we ask that you honor the arrival times and procedures that will be in place on opening days. The following are scheduled arrival times for your sons.

Please note that protocols regarding testing and cohort groups will be followed upon arrival on both June 27th and July 25th.

First Month: June 27th

**If you have more than one camper arriving from your family, please use your younger son's assigned time.*

9:00 Campers entering grades 3 and 4

10:00 Campers entering grade 5

11:00 Campers entering grade 6

12:00 Lunch for everyone who is here

1:30 Campers entering grade 7

2:30 Campers entering grade 8

3:30 Campers entering grade 9

4:30 Campers entering grade 10

5:30 Line-up

Bunk 14 and CIT's will have a different arrival schedule. Bunk 14ers will arrive on Saturday, June 26th beginning at 2:00. CIT arrival information is being finalized and we will communicate those details shortly.

Visiting Day Zoom

At this time, visiting day will not take place in person at camp. Campers and parents will have the opportunity to visit via Zoom. These will be scheduled once we are at camp.

Second Month: July 25th

**If you have more than one camper arriving from your family, please use your younger son's assigned time.*

- 1:00 Campers entering grades 10 and 11
- 2:00 Campers entering grades 4, 5, and 6
- 3:00 Campers entering grade 7
- 4:00 Campers entering grade 8
- 5:00 Campers entering grade 9

Testing at Camp for both sessions:

- Camp Avoda will test all unvaccinated campers four days into camp. (Pooled PCR testing)
- Any camper or staff member who exhibits symptoms of COVID 19 will be tested using a Binax Now rapid test. If the result is positive, it will be followed by a PCR test administered by the camp's pediatrician.

Please note that if a camper of any age or staff member has been diagnosed with COVID 19 within the last 90 days, he is exempt from testing. Fully vaccinated campers and staff will also require no testing unless they exhibit symptoms of COVID 19.

Camp Shirts and Clothing Reminder

Please visit our store on line.

There is a link at the bottom of the home page "Avoda Store"

or

click this link:

<http://www.amerasport.com/AVODA/departments/31/>

Each camper is **required** to have **at least one Avoda shirt** for camp yearbook photos as well as field trips out of camp. These can be found under "Activewear" "100% Cotton Tee", item 19-A02

You can also call Amerasport, our supplier, at 800-786-9402 to order items

You can have the shirts delivered right to camp if that is quicker/easier
23 Gibbs Road, Middleboro, MA 02346

You may also purchase other items like hats, sweatshirts, pajamas, etc...

NOTE: If you have shirts from prior years, those will be fine!

Speaking of your son's shirts....

...Make sure you **Label** your son's name is on all his belongings!

Order labels for your son's clothing right through Camp In Touch!

- a. Log in to Camp In Touch
- b. Under "Your Camper" click on "Camper Clothing Labels"
- c. Order your labels!

or

If using a *permanent marker* we recommend Sharpie brand:
the Rub a Dub marker is waterproof

Beanies

Your son will get Camp Avoda beanies/kippot when he gets to camp!
Camp Avoda will supply them.

Bunk Money

When you drop your son off, we ask parents to leave \$25 per session, with your son's bunk counselors. They use this for bunk activities, treats during the summer – pizza, Dairy Queen, and other healthy foods!

Shelf Space/Dressers

We have now renovated all of our bunks! Please note that lockers have changed dimensions to roughly: 18 inches wide, by 20 inches deep – by 30 inches high. Also note most lockers now have *shelves* (so mini-plastic drawers will not fit anymore).

In an effort to make the bunks more spacious and open for the boys, *some* kids/bunks may have *half* of a dresser, depending on age groups. We are confident that the combination of drawers and locker shelves the boys should have the space they need for their belongings.

Items to bring and not bring

- a. Campers should bring sleeping bags. We try to have each camper do at least one night camping out.
- b. Campers must bring a water bottle! Remember to put your son's name on it.
- c. Please do not bring food/snacks.
- d. Please do not bring water or sports drinks!
- e. For a full packing list, click on the "Avoda Clothing List" link on our forms page: <https://campavoda.org/current-families/forms-downloads/>

Health Forms Due

We have already sent a few emails about health forms due.

The instructions can be found here:

[Health Forms Instructions](#)

All campers, CIT's, and staff need to submit the following:

1. Online Health Form
2. Physician's Report – send us one
3. Insurance card – front and back – send us a copy

Camp Avoda Pre-Packaged Medication Program



If your son is taking prescription or over-the-counter medications on a regular basis while at Camp Avoda this summer, **you will be required to order those medications through the Pill Pack program run by Amazon.com.** They will pre-package the medications for the time your son is at camp.

The process is very easy. Click on the following link: www.pillpack.com and follow the prompts. The medication is packaged into pouches for each individual medication time. They are stored safely and conveniently for Camp Avoda nurses to handle.

Why did we choose this approach?

- Ensures accurate dispensing of medications to your child at the right time and on the right day.
- Reduces chances for medication errors.
- Both Prescription and over-the-counter medication can be packaged together
- More time for health care staff to focus on your child's direct care.
- **The medication will be sent directly to your home and you will bring it with you on opening day.** Families will be able to check the accuracy of the medication before arriving at camp
- Short waiting time at our Health Center on Opening Day.
- Less time needed for medication preparation and distribution.
- **There is no administrative fee and the program will work with your insurance company**
- If your son is staying at camp for the summer, you can easily order refills and have them sent directly to camp. We will call when it arrives.
- The customer service appears to be excellent. Representatives are available by phone with minimal waiting time.



COVID-19 Vaccine Card Upload Link

If your son will be vaccinated by camp, please upload his card:

- a. Go to www.campavoda.org
- b. Go to the "Current Campers" menu and select "CampInTouch Login"
- c. Log in and select "Forms & Documents"
- d. Under each camper's "Forms and Documents"
- e. Find "COVID-19 Vaccination Card"
- f. Click on the upload link and upload his card

COVID-19 Latest Test Result Upload

Each camper who is not vaccinated for COVID-19 will need to upload their negative test results prior to his start date. The test must be within 72 hours of the start of his session.

- a. Go to www.campavoda.org
- b. Go to the "Current Campers" menu and select "CampInTouch Login"
- c. Log in and select "Forms & Documents"
- d. Under each camper's "Forms and Documents"
- e. Find "COVID-19 Latest Test Result"
- f. Click on the upload link and upload his test results