



JUNIOR STAFF PROGRAM

The Camp Kochavim Junior Staff Program is open to, fine, mature and intelligent boys, presently in grades 10, 11 or 12, and are between the ages of 15 & 18.

The Junior Staff program is for boys who are ready to accept the responsibility and obligation of “doing a job”, as well as being a Mashpia on our younger campers. An interview process is required, and to be chosen for a Junior Staff position a boy must behave with Derech Eretz and Yirat Shomayim at all times. He must have the talents and competence necessary to perform his duties properly; e.g. a Sports Counselor must be proficient in sports, and a Hiking Counselor must be familiar with Nature, etc. Of course, any Junior Staff member must have the social skills and leadership characteristics necessary to motivate and organize a group, so that their activity is both successful and enjoyable.

While our Junior Staff members are “working” they still are afforded the opportunity to participate in

sports, go on trips and enjoy other exciting activities like Horseback Riding, Go Karts, Atv's, Boating, Ropes etc. Their schedule is usually a little bit different than the rest of the camp, based on the specific job that they need to do. However, they still take part in activities, including leagues, special events, Olympics, Color War, etc, that all the campers in Camp Kochavim are part of. They have their own Rebbeim and Junior Staff Supervisors.

By becoming a part of the "Kochavim Staff" they also earn the "privileges" that our Senior Staff members earn. If there is a "staff night out" or a "staff appreciation barbecue", etc., our Junior Staff boys are part and parcel of that extremely special and important group.

Junior Staff have a later curfew than the campers, and are a major portion of the driving force behind the wonderful Camp Kochavim "spirit". This exuberant spirit shows itself at inter-camp games, special events like Olympics and Color War, and most especially, at the world-famous Camp Kochavim Shabbat Zemirot!

Camp Kochavim Junior Staff boys are learning and teaching at the same time. It is an invaluable experience, and our best Junior Staff Members become our best Senior Staff Members in the following years. They are a large part of what makes **Camp Kochavim the greatest camp in the Universe!**

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