

Camp Yavneh's Technology Policy

*This does not need to be printed or returned but **MUST** be read with your camper prior to completing the Parent and Camper Questionnaires*

One of the main goals of camp is to create a social environment in which kids can come together during the summer, make new friends, and strengthen old bonds. In light of this goal, we ask for your help in sustaining such an environment.

Help us make your child's Yavneh summer a time unplugged from their digital umbilical cords in order to promote healthy growth and self-reliance. Though technology serves wonderful purposes and helps us with our daily lives, summers at Yavneh are a way of having a time apart from all of the gizmos, gadgets, and devices that we are used to using. Separation from these devices allows our campers the time and space they need to forge and maintain relationships, solve problems on their own, and encourage bunk community.

Items that are not allowed at camp are any devices that can IM, email, text, access the internet, or view movies.

This includes but is not limited to the following:

- Cell phones
- Blackberries/Trio's
- PDA's
- PMP (Personal Media Player)
- PlayStation Portable (and gaming devices with internet access)

➡ iPods: **No ipods are allowed in camp.** If you would like to bring music, you may use an MP3 player that does not have video capabilities or an ipod shuffle.

Consequences:

If a camper is found with a prohibited electronic device during camp, the device will be immediately confiscated and mailed home at the parents' expense, and a charge of \$100 will be added to the campers bill. There will be no 2nd chances.

Repercussions will follow that may include, but are not limited to, missing a trip day of the camp's choosing.

Loss of Valuable Property:

Even though other items are allowed in camp we strongly discourage bringing any valuable items to camp. Camp will not be held responsible for anything that goes missing.

Thank you for your cooperation in helping us promote a more meaningful experience for our campers.

(No camper will be admitted to camp without both the camper and a parent signing in their respective questionnaires that they have read this policy)