

Maintaining a Safe Camp Environment Form

Camp Yavneh 2011

**For All Campers
Currently in Grades 2-6**

Camper's Name _____ Current Grade: _____ Session: _____

In light of the current climate of children's early exposure to violence and illegal substances, both in the media and unfortunately in some cases through direct exposure, we feel it is important to address several issues with you at this time and encourage you to share this information with your child.

In camp we live in a community that strives to impart values of health and wellness. Respecting these values of a drug free/weapon free environment is a critical goal that cannot be achieved without uniform adherence to a policy of zero tolerance.

Although we have never had nor do we anticipate having problems with this age group related to drugs or weapons, it is our opinion that items like Swiss army knives, super soakers, matches, and sparklers are dangerous.

Therefore, we are taking this opportunity to remind you that the following items are not allowed in camp: prescription drugs (kept in the bunks), knives of any kind, fireworks, matches or lighters. Here are some examples of statements that you may want to share with your child:

**Remember the matches you took from the hotel we stayed at, make sure not to take those to camp.*

**Be sure not to pack the Swiss army knife grandpa gave you*

In the interest of achieving a safe environment for all campers we are asking for your signature below insuring that you and your camper are fully informed and accept our policy.

I understand that if any of the above is found in my child's possession there will be serious repercussions that may include my child's removal from camp, which will be at my expense and with no refund. I further understand that in the interest of maintaining a safe environment Camp Yavneh has the right to do a spot check that may result in my child's possessions being searched. I understand that although there may be spot checks, private diaries, notes and letters will not be examined or disturbed.