

# K2 Parent Handbook 2017

We can't believe it's finally here! The wait is over – K2 is just around the corner. We are anxious to welcome your boys to an experience that we know they will still be talking about long after the summer has ended. Here is some important information to ensure that camp runs smoothly. Please take the time to review these points - we look forward to seeing you in camp!

**Location:** K2 is a privately run program which is located on the Torah Day School campus at 1985 Lavista Rd. We will be using various parts of the facility including the gym, Beis Medrash, and ball fields.

**Times:** K2 runs daily, Monday-Friday, from 9:00a.m. until 3:45p.m. Prior to camp activities, there will be davening each morning that will begin at 8:15a.m. Although not mandatory, all boys are strongly encouraged to participate. Boys who arrive for davening will be required to attend. **Of course, dads are welcome to daven with their child(ren)!!**

- Arrival for davening is no earlier than 8:00a.m.
- Arrival for camp is no earlier than 8:50a.m.
- Dismissal is at 3:45 promptly for all campers

**Dress Code:** Each day campers must wear socks and sneakers. Shirts will be required at all times. Kippah (with plenty of bobby pins!) or a baseball cap are **required (Part of our core values)**. We strongly encourage boys to bring baseball caps for protection from the sun. Campers are required to apply sunscreen prior to arrival.

## **What to bring to camp:**

- Water bottle
- Sunscreen (to be reapplied in camp)
- Lunch and snacks
- Smile
- Good middos
- Positive attitude

**Water days:** There will be specific days in which we will have some amazing water activities. We will notify you in advance of these days. For water days, please bring a towel, bathing suit and water shoes. Crocs may be worn as water shoes, but boys are still required to come to camp in sneakers. For safety reasons, boys wearing crocs will not be allowed to participate in sport activities.

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**Learning:** Every camp day kicks off with a 30-45 minute Torah learning session. Each week will have a theme related to sports and how it is manifested throughout Torah. We are pleased to announce that the K2 camp Director of Learning and Hashkafa will be Rabbi Yaakov Haller! Rabbi Haller is charged with setting the tone for how to have fun and excel in a camp using Torah values. We are so pleased to provide this integral part of our camp. **Of course, dads are welcome to learn with their child(ren)!!**

**Field Trips and special events:** Field tripS(the "s" in trips is not an error) will occur twice per week. While we can't share just quite yet what we have in store, rest assured we will not only repeat some of the amazing trips we had last year(think Falcons training camp, Slingshot, Tree Top Quest, Helen, GA etc...) but also some new and outrageous places have been added! We've had all winter to plan this out and no stone was left unturned. Once again, we have carefully selected some incredibly cool, amazing, fantastic, outlandish, creative, pat-ourselves-on-the-back field trips that you will undoubtedly want to sign up for all **four** weeks so that you do not miss anything!!

For the basketball lovers, expect Rodney Zimmerman, a former NBA forward with the Detroit Pistons to pop in again(not every week). At 6'10", we are pretty confident campers will listen to Rodney. He will work with each camper to hone their basketball skills and has even promised that he will help the camper who shows the most promise grow to an excess of 6'4!

Other special on and off campus activities will be scattered throughout the **four** weeks. **Of course, dads are welcome to join any K2 field trips with their child(ren)!!**

**Electronics:** Campers may not bring any electronics or cell phones to camp.

**Health and safety:** If your camper has any specific medication, allergy or health restriction, please contact the K2 Big Sister (see contact information below) prior to the beginning of camp.

**Contacting us during camp:** K2 has a policy of no cell phones for counselors during any activities. In this way, counselors will be supervising and focused on the campers at all times.

*So who should you call?*

We are pleased to announce Adam Levin will be our Kamp Director for K2 2017. Adam who was born and raised in Atlanta brings with him over fifteen years of summer camp experience as Assistant Director of Camp Barney Medintz and Director of the Levite Jewish Community Center of Birmingham's Day Camp Director. Adam is also a former Algebra teacher and High School Baseball Coach. He went to Riverwood High School & graduated from The University of Georgia with a B.B.A. in Marketing in 1992. One of Adam's favorite activities is destroying Neil

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in Fantasy Football every year. Adam can be reached with any questions or concerns at 404-285-3335

Please give a warm welcome to Jessica Kaminetzky who will be our resident “camp Big Sister”. Jessica (known as “Jay”) will be available all day at camp to assist with hugs, giggles, boo boos and runny noses. She is also our camp photographer and will be capturing all of the incredible fun that goes on at K2. Please contact Jay with any health/dietary/special requests. In addition, should you need to reach or pick up your camper in the middle of the day, Jay will know where to find your son. Jay can best be reached by calling or texting 404-550-7078.

Neil Kalnitz, co-founder of K2, will be working hard coordinating all programming and field trips. Neil insisted on trying everything out for himself first to make sure campers will have a blast. Neil has not been seen in about six weeks...but he checks in with his family every now and again. For programming questions, Neil can best be reached at 404-786-2385 or at [neil@k2sportscamp.com](mailto:neil@k2sportscamp.com).

Shimon Kaminetzky, co-founder of K2, will be working hard spending every last penny of revenue. We are so confident of this objective that we have set up a reserve fund to cover all of the expected losses. Neil and Shimon promised their wives they would not lose money on K2. To date, they are really unsure as to whether or not this will become a reality. Please do not mention anything to Marcy and Anna. We deeply thank you for keeping this in confidence. For financial questions, Shimon can best be reached at 901-378-0001 or at [shimon@k2sportscamp.com](mailto:shimon@k2sportscamp.com).

If we missed anything, I am sure you will tell us. Can't wait for a fun filled **four** weeks! **Get ready for summer 2017, cause here we come!!!**

Neil and Shimon