



Jacobs Camp Essentials #1 Camper & Community Care

The care of our campers is our very top priority. We believe that it takes intentional supervision and support to create an environment where every child can have a successful and fun experience.

In addition to hiring and training the best staff, we also employ a Camper Care Team of adult professionals with training and experience in child development. This team provides guidance for our staff, along with additional support for campers who have special needs or are having a hard time in any way at camp with the aim to foster an inclusive environment where everyone feels accepted and welcome.

For Summer 2026, we are thrilled to welcome Lane Cohen, MSW to serve as Supervisor for Community Care. In addition to her social work expertise, Lane has also been a camper, counselor and now camp parent. She will be supported by multiple MSW students at camp this summer, as we are an official internship site for both Tulane and LSU, and will work closely with our unit heads, counselors, and the rest of our staff to ensure that each and every camper's needs are met.

If you have questions specific to your child, you may always reach out to Jacobs Camp Director, Anna Herman, at any time before and throughout the summer by calling the camp office at 601-885-6042 or via email at aherman@urj.org. During the summer, many parent concerns and questions will be answered by our Camper Care Team, as they are often the primary communicators with parents. When you call the camp office, please leave a detailed message for Anna who will determine the course of action.

Whether the question seems strange or hard, whether your call comes day or night, or whether you are calling for the first time or the 50th time, our Camper Care staff will be happy to address your needs. In all cases, Camper Care staff or professional staff will provide a direct and full response as soon as possible. If the concern is simple and can be answered by our office staff, they will do so. Our Camper Care staff will also be in regular communication with our leadership team including unit heads and department heads, who will always be part of decision-making and consultation with our campers and parents, as needed, throughout the summer.