



Sunrise

DAY CAMP
PEARL RIVER

*Where children with cancer
find a new beginning every day...*



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the only full-service dedicated day camp in the nation
for children with cancer and their siblings

imagine a place... *where kids with cancer can just be kids*

Sunrise Day Camp is the only full-service dedicated day camp in the nation for children with cancer and their siblings. As a day camp, Sunrise safely meets our children's needs for fun, friendship and adventure, while allowing them to enjoy the comforts and security of their own homes at night.

Children with cancer are often isolated from the normal activities of childhood; rarely do they have a chance to see beyond the closed worlds of home, hospital, and doctors' offices. Sunrise Day Camp opens the door to a new world by making it possible for campers to enjoy a summer filled with exciting activities daily, enduring friendships and joyful experiences, while paying careful attention to their special medical and emotional needs.

Recognizing the extraordinary financial demands that a child's chronic illness can have on a family, Sunrise Day Camp is offered **free of charge**.



imagine a day camp... *with spacious grounds, natural settings & phenomenal facilities*

Sunrise Day Camp at Pearl River is situated on the expansive, tree-lined 95+ acre Henry Kaufmann Campgrounds in Rockland County – just minutes from the Tappan Zee Bridge and easily accessible from Rockland County, Northern New Jersey, Westchester, the Bronx, Manhattan, and Southern Connecticut. The campgrounds boast of lush woods, grassy hills, open meadows, a sparkling lake, and a winding stream.

Daily activities include:

- Recreational & Instructional Swimming
- Basketball, Baseball, Volleyball, Soccer
- Nature, Yoga
- Arts and Crafts
- Group Games
- Music and Drama

.....and so much more!



An indoor air-conditioned facility complements our outdoor open-air shelters, wooded campsites, lush ball fields, playground, multiple swimming pools, and a misting tent for those who are unable to swim.

Sunrise Day Camp truly rivals the best sleep-away camps. Yet unlike sleep-away camps, we provide a true camping experience while maintaining our children in the familiar surroundings of home, family, and the treatment centers they have become accustomed to. If a child does wish to attend a sleep-away program for a week or two, Sunrise can fill in the gaps for the balance of the summer.



a fun place

imagine a day camp... *led by a caring team experienced in the fields of camping & childhood cancer*

Sunrise Day Camp at Pearl River is a program of the Rosenthal JCC and Friedberg JCC, which have successfully operated day camps for over 50 years. Experts in children's programming, both JCCs are known not just for camping programs, but also for outstanding daycare, preschool, after-school, and programs for teenagers.

Sunrise Day Camp is affiliated with some of the most renowned hospitals and medical centers working in the field of pediatric oncology, including:

- Brookdale University and Hospital Medical Center
- The Brooklyn Hospital Center
- The Children's Hospital at Montefiore
- Stephen and Alexandra Cohen Children's Medical Center of New York
- Maimonides Medical Center
- Maria Fareri Children's Hospital at Westchester Medical Center
- Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center
- Mount Sinai Kravis Children's Hospital
- New York Presbyterian Phyllis and David Komansky Center for Children's Health and New York-Presbyterian Morgan Stanley Children's Hospital
- NYU Langone Medical Center
- Stony Brook University Medical Center
- Winthrop University Hospital Cancer Center for Kids



a happy place

ok... *let's answer some of those questions you have:*

Who's Eligible?

Sunrise Day Camp is open to children ages 3 ½–16, including a special, modified, three-day-a-week program for preschoolers. The camp is open on a non-sectarian basis to all children who are coping with any type of cancer at any stage, provided their doctor clears them to participate.

What About Siblings?

The Rosenthal and Friedberg JCCs are happy to include siblings in Sunrise Day Camp. Siblings are welcome to attend whether or not the child with cancer is able to be a camper.



Yet we also recognize that each child is unique. As such, the Rosenthal and Friedberg JCCs also offer other camp programs. Working with the family and the sibling, we will find the best fit for every sibling who wants to go to camp.

Who Staffs Sunrise?

Sunrise Day Camp at Pearl River is staffed by counselors, specialists, assistants, and volunteers, all of whom are specially trained prior to the camp's opening. Our camp's on-site Directors have extensive experience with children and camping, and our staff-to-camper ratio often exceeds 1:4 or better, assuring that every need of our campers can be accommodated.



a safe place



And Speaking Of Transportation...

Sunrise is a day camp program, and as such is within driving distance of Rockland County, Northern New Jersey, Westchester, the Bronx, Manhattan, and Southern Connecticut. Bus transportation will be available from select locations. Additional special transportation arrangements can be worked out to accommodate the differing needs of families.

What Type Of Food Is Served?

One of the great advantages of day camping is that children can bring their own favorite lunches from home, so they never have to wonder what's on the menu today (of course, we'll refrigerate it). But that's all they need to bring, since we provide several snacks during the day as well as juice and other drinks whenever needed. Need something special? No problem; just let us know, we'll get it. Note that all food served by the camp is strictly kosher.

Can Parents Get Involved?

Our parents are our strongest resource, and numerous venues are available for parents to keep in touch with us. From participation on our Parent Subcommittee of our Advisory Council to focus groups and just plain old-fashioned telephone calls, communication with our parents ensures that we always remain responsive to the ever-changing needs of our children and families.

What About Medical Support?

Sunrise Day Camp has a private, air-conditioned Wellness Center. The camp is staffed by on-site pediatric oncology nurses and supported by volunteer pediatric oncology doctors from area hospitals. Medications can be easily administered, and ample indoor areas are provided for children to just "cool down." In the unlikely event of an emergency during the camp day, rapid transportation by ambulance is provided.

How Long Is The Camp Season?

Camp runs for 7 weeks, Monday through Friday, and is divided into four sessions, ranging from 1 ½–2 weeks each. Campers may sign up for one, two, or three sessions depending on their summer schedule, and special accommodations can easily be made depending on when a child is able to attend! At Sunrise, we recognize that children may not be able to attend camp every day, and so our program is designed to assure that no one "misses out" because of an absence. The camp day runs from approximately 9:30 A.M. – 3:45 P.M., excluding transportation times.



SO... *here's how you can get started:*

Enrollment

Applications for Sunrise Day Camp Pearl River may be obtained through your doctor, social worker, child-life specialist, or other medical professionals; or by calling our office at (914) 741-0333 or going online to www.rosenthaljcc.org/sunrise.

Funding

Sunrise Day Camp is offered **free of charge** and exists only through the generosity of others. Government grants, support from UJA-Federation of NY and private donations by foundations, businesses, and very special individuals help offset the costs of running this incredible camp. Sunrise Day Camp at Pearl River is a program of the Rosenthal JCC and Friedberg JCC, not-for-profit 501(c3) charitable organizations. Donations are tax-deductible to the extent permitted by law. Checks may be made to Sunrise Day Camp at Pearl River or the Rosenthal JCC, or by calling our Development office at (914) 741-0333 x23 for more information on gifting opportunities.



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