

Dear Camp Chateaugay Families,

I hope this letter finds you well as we head into the holiday season!

As we look toward summer 2026, we're hard at work ensuring Camp Chateaugay remains the safe harbor your children deserve—a naturally beautiful place where they can truly be themselves. Camp has always been about creating a home away from home where kids grow, explore, and thrive with independence, supported by caring and nurturing adults who are always there when needed.

I'm excited to share that we're making some upgrades to our kitchen this year, including adding fryers so we can finally serve fresh French fries! We're also rearranging the dining hall layout so we can serve meals more smoothly and get everyone fed faster—it's the little things that make camp feel like home.

Beyond the fries and dining hall updates, we're continually refining our programs and operations to ensure that every child feels safe, supported, and truly seen at Chateaugay. In a world that often feels uncertain and overwhelming, we're committed to being that consistent, joyful place where kids can just be kids.

Blane is just back from his incredible Bali honeymoon and is already busy hiring the best staff possible for next summer. Blair, who now holds the role of Assistant Director, is connecting with our current families, eagerly meeting new families, and heading up our social media presence—so make sure you're following along! Candi is holding down the office at camp, where we just got a ton of snow!

As for the Goldman family, we're doing great here in Brooklyn. Ashley, Charlie, Olivia, Rosie, and I are keeping busy with flag football, basketball, dance, and all the adventures city life brings. We're loving our neighborhood and frequently bump into our camp families! Despite that, we're counting down the days until we head back to the Adirondacks.

I know this Chatagram is packed with information, so we've broken it into easy-to-digest sections to help. Please take the time to look through it all—everything here is important and designed to give you what you need to prepare for an amazing summer ahead!

Thank you for continuing to trust us with your most precious gifts. We can't wait to see everyone next summer!

Warm regards,

Mitch, Blane, Blair, and Candi

CHATEAUGAY NEWS Chat



BLACK FRIDAY DISCOUNT

In the tradition of fall holiday savings, we are now offering a **Black Friday Discount** which gives **2.5%** off camper tuition, until the **end of November**!

Enroll now to take advantage of this special offer before it goes away!



Whether you're a returning family or brand new to camp, make sure to log into **CampInTouch**, our streamlined parent dashboard, to get ready for the upcoming season. CampInTouch will allow you to navigate your campers enrollment(s), view photos with facial recognition software, access billing information, fill out forms online, and more!

To get started, you can review the short tutorial video on the dashboard. This informative clip walks you through the ins and outs of the dashboard, offering valuable insights into how to navigate it effectively.

For added convenience, don't forget to download **Campanion**, the mobile app that keeps you connected to camp like never before. With features like photo updates, letter writing, mobile form submissions, and balance payments, Campanion makes camp prep simple and accessible from your phone. We encourage all parents to log in and get started!

UPDATE FROM THE THEATRE DEPARTMENT

Want to know what musicals we'll be putting on in 2026? Check out the riddle from Dance and Theatre Director, Amy-Beth, and see if you can figure it out!

"Hello, hello, hello, it's Amy-Beth, back for round 2! Back to step in time to the music of Camp Chateaugay, it's almost a feeling of being...pulled...into the energy. When you're a director, you have a very special duty, and must be practically perfect in every way.

For summer 2026, let's make sure that every job that must be done, has an element of fun, after all, it's just around the corner, and you have to heed the call.

Well, au revoir, one and all, until we see each other again, one normal night."



MORE NEWS...



REFERRAL PROGRAM

Did you know we have a **Referral Program** that rewards our camp families and alumni when they bring new families to our community? Invite the spirit of adventure into the lives of your loved ones by referring them to the magic of Camp Chateaugay. Whether it's introducing a new camper to the joys of lakefront activities or recommending a potential staff member who embodies our values, your referrals can now become a legacy of lifelong friendships and unforgettable experiences.

When a new family mentions your name upon enrollment, you'll be treated with rewards from exclusive Camp Chateaugay gear to credits for future camp sessions! Please feel free to reach out to our co-director, <u>Blane</u> to learn more.

Know a family Interested in Camp Chateaugay, but not ready to sign up for this summer? Invite them to join us for **Rookie Day on August 1st**! This special day gives prospective campers the chance to experience a day in the life at camp, meet our staff, and take part in exciting activities. It's the perfect way to see what Chateaugay is all about!

Click **here** to learn more, or share this opportunity with any families who might be interested!

LITS VS. CITS - WHO'S WHO?

Ever wondered what the teens of Chateaugay are up to after their incredible Wilderness experience? We have two awesome programs dedicated to helping our 16 and 17-year-old campers hone their leadership skills, take on mentorship roles, and gain valuable community service hours for school. These experiences build leadership skills, create lasting friendships, and provide excellent content for college applications! Let's break it down:

- **LITs**: The LIT program is our **on-camp** teen program designed for 16 and 17-year-olds who want to spend their summer at Chateaugay. LITs split their time between participating in activities as campers and helping out the staff to gain hands-on experience coaching and teaching younger campers. And don't forget those awesome LIT days off and excursions!
- **CITs**: The CIT program is our **off-camp** teen program for 16 and 17-year-olds who want to travel outside of camp. 16-year-olds are eligible to travel to Costa Rica, and 17-year-olds are eligible to travel to Ecuador and the Galapagos Islands.

For the CITs who venture out, both programs combine community service with adventure, including zip-lining through rainforests, white water rafting, surf lessons, and volunteering with local organizations. CITs will explore volcanoes, national parks, and hot springs while making a meaningful impact on local communities.

And don't forget, CITs are also able to return to camp to join the LIT program for second session if they want to get some on-camp time as well! Check out more about the LIT and CIT programs on our website here.

THINGS TO KNOW



IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2026

Please note the Camp Chateaugay Summer 2026 events on your calendars:

June 26, 2026 - Opening Day for 1st Session

July 17, 2026 - Theatre/Dance/Gymnastic Shows at 7:00 pm July 18, 2026 - Visiting Day - between 9:30 am and 4:00 pm

July 19, 2026 - Opening Day for 2nd Session

August 1, 2026- Rookie Day - between 10:00 am and 4:00 pm

(Prospective campers experience a full day of camp in action!)

August 11, 2026 - Campers depart at the conclusion of the Summer 2026

2026 TUITION PAYMENT SCHEDULE

One of the secrets of success is being prepared, therefore we want to send you a friendly reminder about the 2026 tuition payment schedule:

- 50% of tuition is due by **January 15, 2026**.
- The remaining balance is due on **April 20, 2026.**

Candi will be sending out account statements at the last week of December to confirm/determine all payment arrangements. If you have any questions or concerns about your account balance, please don't hesitate to reach out to her. You can reach her at candace@chateaugay.com.

"MUST READ" DOCUMENTS

As we prepare for another amazing summer, it's essential to review the <u>Camper Handbook</u> and <u>Camper Conduct Guide</u> with your camper. The Camper Handbook covers everything from travel details and packing lists to camp traditions and special days, while the Conduct Guide outlines the rules and guidelines that govern camper behavior, ensuring to ensure a safe and positive experience. Reviewing the Conduct Guide with your campers is a requirement, as it plays a key role in maintaining a positive camp environment. Both documents, available under the "About > Camp Essentials" section of our website, are essential for a smooth and sensational camp experience. Please take the time to go over these important resources with your campers to help keep our camp vibes awesome.

TRAVEL TO CAMP

This summer, we're once again offering chaperoned flights for routes to and from **LAX**, **FLL**, **IAD**, **and YUL**. If your child will be flying into Canada, please remember that a **valid passport** is required for entry. We will have chaperone names and confirmation numbers for the chaperoned flights by **March 28th**, so you can book your campers to travel with them.

In addition to flights, we also offer bus transportation from several convenient locations, including **NYC, White Plains, Palisades, Montreal, Philadelphia, and Albany**. We encourage families to start considering the best option for their camper, and we'll share more details as they are finalized.

REMINDERS...



GET YOUR CAMP SWAG AT EVERYTHING CAMPER

We're super excited to be working with *Everything Camper* again this summer to supply all of our Chateaugay gear.

Everything Camper has been outfitting summer camps for over 15 years, offering top-notch customer support and a seamless shopping experience. They even offer virtual shopping appointments for personalized assistance navigating the Chateaugay packing list.

Families can shop anytime for all their Camp Chateaugay gear, including required items, bedding, duffle bags, and plenty of awesome merch. And right now, they are offering their first ever **Black Friday Sale**, where certain items are 50-75% off! Check out the site <u>here</u> - we hear camp merch makes great holiday gifts!











SUPPORT THE CHATEAUGAY SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The *Camp Chateaugay Scholarship Fund* is all about making sure every child has the chance to experience the magic of camp—building friendships, learning new skills, and creating memories that last a lifetime. Through generous donations, we've been able to provide financial assistance to campers who might not otherwise be able to attend.

Want to help keep the spirit of camp alive for the next generation? If you're interested in getting more involved and volunteering your time with the steering committee, email David Wyman campchateaugaysf@gmail.com or Mitch. If you want to stay in the loop on news and events, sign up here to learn more. Together, we can ensure that camp continues to be a place where everyone belongs!

ALUMNI GROUP

Stay Connected with camp and join our alumni Facebook group "Chateaugay Alumni Meeting Place" to reconnect with former campers and counselors! Share memories, relive the best moments, and stay updated on upcoming events like last year's New York City Reunion. Don't miss out—join the fun today!



CAMP CORNER





Ella L and Leah H had a Solars '25 reunion.



Blair got to check out the beautiful fall foliage at camp this time of year!



Mazel Tov to Zac W who celebrated his Bar Mitzvah with his bunkmates.



A Brooklyn run-in! Mitch bumped into Owen R and his mom while taking Rosie for a walk.



Bryce P and Melody G visited Aria L for her Bat Mitzvah as well. Mazel Tov Aria!



Mitch, Ashley and the girls enjoyed dinner with Oliver C and his family.



ENROLLED FOR 2025



"WE WELCOME YOU TO CHATEAUGAY... ...WE'RE MIGHTY GLAD YOU ARE HERE!"

Hyella Ackerman Logan Ackerman Cassidy Ages Hudson Ages Victor Artigas

Amelia Baird Dahlia Balinsky Noah Banning

Amelie Beraznik Jasper Bertrand

Sydney Blatt

Violet Block

Liv Bourak

Kate Cammermans

Stella Campbell

Miriam Chandler

Parker Chandler

Caroline Clough

Oliver Cohen

Dylan Craig

Noah Craig

Casey Craighead

Sarah Craighead

Katherine Denault-Strohl

Mauli Desai

Sam Desai

Andi Ditkofsky

Niole Ditkofsky

Jacob Dolev

Noa Dolev

Jacob Dolman

Joseph Dolman

Juliana Dorenfeld

Dalia Fisman

Isaac Fisman

Genevieve Elson

Oliver Elson

Matilda Erkman

Otto Erkman

Andrew Fargis

Archer Fenton

Jasper Fenton

Matthew Fernald

Nathan Fernald Miriam Formariz

Finnian Foss

Abby Garrett

Ryan Garrett

Luca Gelbard

Roman Gelbard

Martin Ginsburg

Eli Golden

Ethan Golden

Charlie Goldman

Olivia Goldman

Harry Goldsmith

Rhodes Goodman Lazer Grover-Scher

Ariela Guttman

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Maren Hall

Jude Hanley

Austin Heric

Declan Heric

Aryeh Issenman

Gabby Issenman

Decker Jankoff

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Benjamin Johnson

Dean Kamenitz

Théo Keene

Julia Kislak

Kayla Kislak

Spencer Klugman

Lila Kodeck

Eli Korenblit

Alexander Korn

Mia Korn

Robyn Kramer

Seth Kramer

Aria Lapidus

Aiden Last

Simon Pontano

Mina Rahaghi

Lillian Raiten

Leandro Lavallade

Lise Lavallade

Côme Le Menestrel

Edgar Le Menestrel

Carly Leiboh

Ella Leiboh

Nathaniel Lerner

Lila Liberman

Natalie Lovenheim

Arthur Lubell

Ava Lubell

Isla Lubell

Remi Malzman

Lily Marcus

Oliver Marcus

Ava McRoy-Mendell

Allie Messer

Gabriela Messer

Lea Meytin

Tamara Meytin

Adam Miller

David Miller

Yoona Miller

100Ha Willici

Leopold Moskovic

Samuel Mulvena

Cayden Nelson

Mark Nudler

Ella O'Leary

Jonathan Osher

Oliver Oza

Theodore Oza

Alex Papish

Emma Papish

Jacob Pellegrino

Paula Pena

Emmett Pilgrim

Blake Pinchuk Harper Pinchuk

Archer Pontano

Owen Raiten

Cammy Rapp

Jade Rapp

Natalie Roiz

Aiden Roloff

Emma Roloff

Rafael Sarandeses

Ricardo Sarandeses

Noah Sayer

Charlotte Schayowitz

Dylan Schwab

Sadie Schwab

Naomi Schwartz

Nathan Schwartz

Elliot Shuker

Simon Shuker Bennett Silva

Aria Sklash

Lielle Sklash

Flora Staniscia de Sanctis

Matteo Staniscia de Sanctis

Asher Sterling

Oliver Sterling

Amy Stern

Danielle Suzuki

Talia Todd

Arianna Trost

Orli Umlauf

Luca Vasserman Natan Vidal

Sacha Vogel

Mateo Walsh

Aiden Wancjer

Zac Wancjer

Chase Wedderburn-Maxwell

Carson Weinberg

Alexandra Westfeldt

Samantha Westfeldt Carter 7ald

Charlie Zald

Alice 7inoman

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CAMPER BIRTHDAYS



"KINGS AND QUEENS AND BISHOPS TOO... ...WANT TO WISH THE BEST TO YOU!!!"

August

Amelia Acevedo **Noah Banning** Luis Bergareche Ignacio Capela Jacob Dolev Henry Doran Hanna Dorsey **Travis Dorsey** Martin Ginsburg Grace Herrera Théo Keene Robyn Kramer Oliver LeCompte Gannon Pelkey Naomi Schwartz Asher Sterling Soren Vohra Charlie Zald

September

Victor Artigas
Addison Barrett
Leo Bernstein
Ludivine Bessin
Zoé Bollore
Liv Bourak
Emanuel Brand
Regina Cienfuegos Todd
Noa Doley

Iuliana Dorenfeld Charlie Farkas Ariela Guttman Ieronimo Leon De La Barra Chloe Levin Oliver Marcus Priyah Martinez Cayden Nelson **Bodie Osur** Paula Pena **Emmett Pilgrim** Josie Reynolds Julia Richter Mason Sheckman Cameron Sullivan **Madison Thomas** Makayla Thomas Alexandra Westfeldt Samantha Westfeldt Sheldon Yu

October

Alex Acevedo
Rominna Armstrong
Romero
Jaime Capela
Andi Ditkofsky
Miriam Formariz
Zoe Forshpan
Vanora Longworth

Vanora Longworth
Adam Miller
Yoona Miller
June Moody
Emma Papish
Payton Piggott
Cammy Rapp
Hans Scotford
Joel Tollinche
Tabatha Tuman
Mateo Walsh
Carson Weinberg
Carter Zald

November

Holly Adey
Eva Armstrong
Amelia Baird
Jasper Bertrand
Julia Blackman
Sydney Blatt
Caroline Clough
Nikki Ditkofsky
Otto Erkman
Mia Estephane
Andrew Fargis
Amaya Garcia
Luca Gelbard
Roman Gelbard
Madeleine Gerard

Madeleine Gerard **Isabel Ginsburg** Eli Golden Sofia Graglia **Ilanit Guttman** Dorothy Hall Elia Han Leah Han Declan Heric Benjamin Johnson Alexander Korn Remi Malzman Alyssa Mansueto Mica Maurel Gabriela Messer **David Miller** Oliver Oza Theo Oza **Ensley Parent Grayson Parent** Verity Penner Julian Pontano Emma Roloff Jack Segel Anna Stanek Maxwell Sweet-Williams Natan Vidal

"WISH DAY, WASH DAY, WHAT DO YOU SAY? BIRTHDAY? HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!"

To keep us updated with all of your news, message us on Instagram, Tik Tok or Facebook and our <u>social media team</u> will get right back to you!





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