Camp Mosh Madatz Program



Madatz are Mosh's counselors-in-training. The program straddles their camper and staff experiences: learning how to create and lead meaningful programming for our *chanichimot* (campers); caring for the needs of *chanichimot*; and participating in Mosh and Habonim Dror North America experiences created just for their *kvutza* (age group).

Our rising 12th graders graduate from this intensive, seven-week training prepared to serve as *madrichimot* (counselors) next summer - and as flexible, creative leaders for the rest of their lives. Below please find more information about the structure of the program, the dates and fees, and the registration/application process. Please contact Talia Rodwin with any questions you may have.

Madatz Program Structure

Madatz begins with a three-day orientation at machaneh (camp) before campers arrive. Participants are:

- introduced to the role and responsibilities of madatz;
- assigned camper groups they will work with for the session; and
- engage in *pe'ulot* (educational programs) to cultivate their skills as educators.

Madatz are given increasing responsibilities as the summer progresses, including:

- putting their *chanichimot* to bed (including singing soothing songs and telling stories that reinforce Mosh's values);
- attending and designing camper programs; and
- planning and implementing a full day of camp activities (Revo!).

Second session, *madatz* live with campers and attend *pe'ulat shichva* (educational program by age group) with their campers daily.

Throughout the program, *madatz* explore and practice various roles on *tzevet* (staff), including bunk counselor, specialist, and *tzevet mitbach* (kitchen staff). This comprehensive approach ensures that, by the end of the summer, participants are well-prepared and confident to join the camp staff as first-year *tzevet* members the next year.

Madatz are supported throughout the summer by *tzevet madatz* experienced members of our summer team who are prepared to serve both as role models and as staff trainers.

Please note that *madatz* is Mosh's leadership training program. Teens are expected to complete their own applications, respond to requests by deadlines set by the *tzevet madatz*, and arrange and participate in interviews independently. This is fantastic preparation for college and beyond!

2024 Madatz Program Dates and Fees

Dates: Thursday, June 20 - Monday, August 12, 2024

Tuition: \$5,120 for the full summer

Includes transportation to and from camp from the DC and Baltimore areas on the above dates; food and lodging expenses; laundry; membership in Habonim Dror North America; a camp

t-shirt; and special Madatz-only programs.

Suggested Kupa: \$150-200*

Will cover: madatz chofesh and latefesh (days and nights out); madatz-created swag (shirts, stickers, etc.); snacks; and other

incidentals as determined by program members.

Madatz Transportation

Arrive: Thursday, June 20, 2024 Depart: Monday, August 14, 2024

North Bethesda, MD 6011 Executive Boulevard arrive by 11:15 a.m. North Bethesda, MD 6011 Executive Boulevard arrive between 12:15-12:45 p.m.

Madatz traveling from outside of the DC area must be driven to and from camp.

Madatz Registration/Application Process

There are four steps to the registration/application process:

- 1. Parent/guardian completes the CampinTouch registration for the Madatz member.
- 2. *Tzevet madatz* will send **teen** an application in late February or early March. They should fill it out and submit by the date listed.
- 3. Madatz madrichimot (counselors) will contact each teen for a sicha (interview).
- 4. Campers will be notified by *tzevet madatz* if they are accepted into the Madatz program.

Applications for partial participation are discouraged, though will be considered on a case-by-case basis. If a camper has a scheduling conflict, they will need to speak with the *madatz* counselors directly **by March 15, 2024**.

Madatz will only be permitted to attend Camp Moshava with a fully completed and submitted CampInTouch application, program application and interview, and medical and transportation forms. The medical information must include a physician's form with the results of an exam, health insurance information, and a photocopy of the camper's insurance card.

There will be no refund of fees for a Madatz who is withdrawn or sent home for any reason once the camp session has started.

Applications from any camper previously sent home from camp will be considered on a case-by-case basis.