

SUMMER J CAMP 2026

Meet Our Leadership Team

The people who make camp magic happen

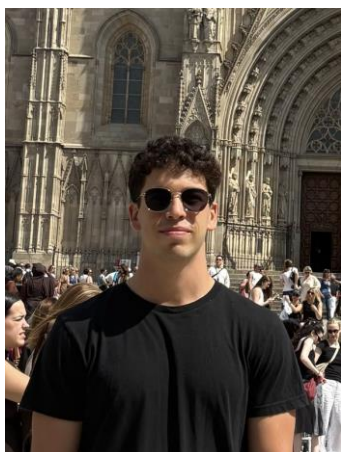
We are so excited to introduce the team leading Summer J Camp this year. Get to know the friendly faces who will be welcoming your campers each morning, planning the games and themed Fridays, and looking out for every kid all summer long.



Shelli Bassli

SENIOR KEF COORDINATOR

Shelli is returning for her fourth summer at J Camp and steps up this year as Senior Kef Coordinator after serving as Junior Kef Coordinator last summer. During the school year she is working toward a degree in education and can usually be found working in Kidstown at the SJCC. Outside of school and work, she loves hiking, spending time with friends and family, and anything art- or car-related. She can't wait to bring the energy this summer and get to know your camper(s)!



Daniel Negrin

JUNIOR KEF COORDINATOR

Daniel joins Camp Kef this summer as a Junior Camp Coordinator. He is currently a student at Indiana University, and loves playing sports, exploring the outdoors, and spending time with friends. He is excited to take on a leadership role this summer, working alongside an amazing team of counselors, to help create amazing memories for every camper.



Margaret Gallagher

GREEN LAKE JUNIOR SITE DIRECTOR

Margaret is the Junior Site Director at Green Lake this year, returning for her third summer at J Camp. During the academic year she is a student at Scripps College in California. Outside of camp she enjoys running, hiking, and reading, and she is looking forward to a wonderful summer with her campers.



Abby Strider

J CAMP LOGISTICS COORDINATOR

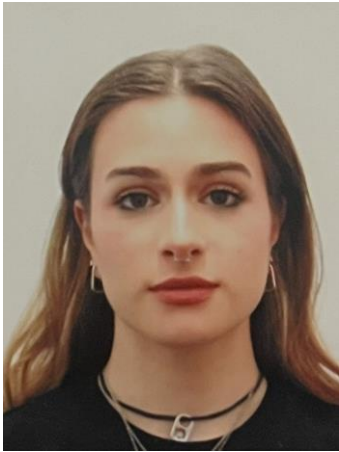
Abby returns for her fifth summer on the J Camp leadership team as the Logistics Coordinator and is thrilled to show campers and families all of the exciting J Camp programming this year. Her favorite parts of camp are dancing during Boker Tov and going all out for Dress-Up Fridays. During the school year she works as a fourth-grade elementary school teacher, and outside of camp she loves baking, crocheting, and cuddling with her cat. She cannot wait for Summer 2026!



Ben Royce

SPECIALTY JUNIOR COORDINATOR

Ben is pleased to join J Camp this summer as the Specialty Camps Junior Coordinator, marking his fifth summer with the camp. He is currently attending the University of Utah, where he is majoring in Sports Management. Outside of camp he enjoys the outdoors—skiing, hiking, and fishing—as well as playing sports and relaxing with friends. He is looking forward to getting to know every camper!



Casey Miranda

JUNIOR KATAN COORDINATOR

Casey returns for a fourth summer at J Camp, this year as Junior Katan Coordinator—returning campers may remember them as the Music Specialist over the past two summers. They are a student studying musical theatre during the year, and outside of camp they love art, sunshine, and glitter. Casey is jazzed to spend the summer with every camper and help them have the best summer ever!



Brooklynn Dwight

CAMP OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR

Brooklynn is back for another summer at camp—her sixth year working at summer camps and her third at J Camp. She loves all things camp, especially games of any kind. Outside of camp you can find her running, reading, crafting, or playing video games. Her goal is to make this summer as fun, stress-free, and unforgettable as possible.



Lisa Williams

CAMP CARE COORDINATOR

Lisa is a dedicated Social Worker currently serving in the Issaquah School District, entering her fourth summer as J Camp's Care Coordinator. She earned both her Master's in Education (2018) and her Bachelor's in Social Work (2011) from Seattle University, and her work is marked by a passion for supporting and empowering young people. Outside of her professional life, Lisa enjoys camping, baking, and exercising, and treasures time with family and friends—reflecting the balance, wellness, and connection she brings to her role. She is committed to creating environments where every camper can thrive.



Benny Bassli

SPECIALISTS COORDINATOR

Benny joins J Camp as the Specialists Coordinator for his fourth year with J Camp, and he couldn't be more excited for the summer ahead! Outside of camp he loves exploring the outdoors, experimenting in the kitchen, and gardening. He is especially looking forward to themed Fridays and any opportunity to be outside.



Rachel Geisser

EXTENDED CARE SUPERVISOR

Rachel returns to J Camp this summer as Extended Care Supervisor, marking her fifth year with the camp. During the school year she works three other jobs with kids, and in her free time she enjoys making arts and crafts, spending time with friends, and cooking. She is excited for another wonderful year!



Liam Geisser

GREEN LAKE SENIOR SITE DIRECTOR

Liam joins the J Camp leadership team this summer as Senior Site Director at Green Lake. He grew up in Issaquah, WA and went on to study History and Political Science at the University of Washington, where he also earned his Master's in Teaching through the ELTEP program in 2024. Liam previously served as Assistant Director of J Camp, and currently teaches swim lessons and music lessons and works as a substitute teacher for grades Pre-K through 8th across the metro area. In his free time he loves spending time outdoors and writing and performing music with his band.



Aran

SPECIALTY SENIOR COORDINATOR

Aran is an artist, educator, and administrator joining J Camp this summer as Senior Specialist Coordinator. She has lived in the Seattle area her whole life and is new to Mercer Island. She is so excited to be part of the J Camp team this summer!



Levi Stoner

SENIOR KATAN COORDINATOR

Levi is in his third year working at the SJCC on Mercer Island and is excited to be back. He loves working with kids and is motivated to create the best possible camp experience. Outside of the SJCC, Levi is entering his senior year at the University of Arizona, where he is studying Data Science and Math, and he plans to enroll in a master's program in statistics after graduating. This summer he steps into the role of Katan Senior Coordinator and is eager to meet everyone!