

## Camper Internet and Technology Policy

Camp Nejeda has been offering children and young adults living with diabetes fun activities since 1958. The Camp Nejeda Foundation's mission "is to enhance the lives of people with type 1 diabetes and their families through education, empowerment, camaraderie, supportive programs, and fun."

It has been our experience that electronic devices that allow a camper access to the internet or allow a camper to watch videos take away from Camp Nejeda's ability to serve campers and, in some cases, prevent campers from having the positive experience that they deserve.

It is our decision and policy that campers should not have technology/devices that allow access to the internet, videos, and electronic games while at camp – this in addition to cell phones, which are already on the "do not pack" list sent to parents and campers (please refer to the CGM and Cell Phone Policy for exceptions). We believe that this policy and practice will:

- ✓ Encourage our campers to socialize with one another
- ✔ Give campers a much needed break from the world of technology
- ✓ Allow campers to fully embrace the connections they make with other campers
- ✓ Ensure that campers are not exposed to age-inappropriate material

Examples of technology/devices that should

## NOT be brought to camp:

- ✓ Laptop computers
- $\checkmark$  iPod Touches or iPods with video
- ✔ Handheld game devices
- ✓ Cell phones (see CGM and Cell Phone Policy for exceptions)

Examples of technology/devices that are **ok to bring to camp** - as long as they remain in the cabin and are used with permission:

- $\checkmark$  iPods without video
- ✓ mp3 player devices (without video)
- ✓ Music players
  - (with headphones and without video)

 $\checkmark$  Devices that access the internet

Camp Nejeda is not responsible for lost or stolen personal items. Therefore, it is recommended that valuables not be brought to camp. The permitted items listed above are simply that – permitted, not suggested.

At Camp Nejeda, we firmly believe that this policy will promote the beauty and experience of camp. It will also help to deepen the important relationships that are able to develop because of the simple fact that all of the campers have diabetes.

If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at 973-383-2611 or *information@campnejeda.org*.