

Shoafim 2010 — Boys' Bonding Program — Peulat Erev 7/12/10

Goals:

- Hanichim will open up to each other, sharing one new thing about themselves that they may not have otherwise shared.
- Hanichim will listen to each other without interrupting or making fun of each other.

Time: 45 minutes

Procedure:1. Transportation — 15 minutes

- a. Line up the boys outside the Hadar Ochel, we line them up and pick the order
- b. They all must hold hands and walk together
- c. Lead them out to the treehouse area together, WITHOUT SPEAKING
- d. Have them sit in a circle in that order

2. Introduction — 2 minutes

- a. Speak about the uniqueness of being just with boys — do you feel that the people around you understand you more or no different?
- b. This right here is your group. This is your brotherhood, your family, and the beauty of camp is learning to take care of each other in this group. Things will happen but at the end of the day this is the group you can trust and come back to.
- c. The Hokey-Pokey: you will get out of this brotherhood what you put in. I need you for the next hour and beyond to work with me and put in what I'm asking, take this with the maturity I know you have, and it will be great.

3. Questions — Go around the circle, each boy answering these questions. The CATCH: must respond to each answer with: — 15 minutes

- i. "nice"
- ii. "good answer"
- iii. "cool"
- b. *What has been your favorite part of camp so far?*
- c. *What is the funniest TV or movie moment you have seen?*
- d. *Who is your greatest inspiration in your life?*
- e. *Look to the brother to your left. What is one thing he has done in the last three weeks that you admire or liked?*
 - i. *ex. Alex is always smiling/laughing and happy. It's hard for me to be that smiley and happy all the time.*

4. Self-portrait in 3 colors — 10 minutes

- a. Out of graham crackers and icing, draw a self-portrait of yourself.
- b. Put graham crackers together in square
 - i. This is the image of this brotherhood. Don't ever break a graham cracker, because if one is broken you've ruined the whole picture.
 - ii. Eat the graham crackers.

Materials:

- 1 box graham crackers
- 2 packages of icing
- Allergy alternatives