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Dear {RecipientGreeting},

We are so excited that {First Name} will be celebrating a birthday during camp and we want to share with you our birthday guidelines. We love birthdays at camp, and our goal is for all campers to feel special and recognized on their big day! Please read below for helpful information on camp birthday celebrations.

1. Parents may send a package larger than our “flat package” policy dimensions.
 1. We recommend the package contain a camp-appropriate gift. (Nothing expensive that would be upsetting should it be lost or broken.)
 2. The following items are not permitted and if sent will not be delivered to campers: No food, candy, flowers, or balloons.
 3. Notify your camper’s *yoetzet* by email that you are shipping an oversized birthday package to be held until your child’s big day.
 4. The package must be addressed to your camper’s *yoetzet* and clearly marked: HOLD FOR (NAME’S) BIRTHDAY. A sample address is that end of this letter.
2. Our camp kitchen will provide a birthday cake for your child and their bunk/tent-mates.
3. Our counselors make birthdays a big deal! To help in their plans, they receive a “Birthday Box” that includes streamers, hats, and birthday décor to make the whole day special.
4. If you would like, we can arrange a call home on your camper’s birthday. Please contact your *yoetzet* in advance to find the best time in the camp schedule for this. (Note that a call is entirely optional. Sometimes hearing parents’ voices on a birthday shifts a child’s focus from a fun day of celebration with friends to reminders of birthday traditions at home with family. The decision to plan a call is at your discretion.)

We can't wait to see {First Name} and to celebrate their birthday at camp!

Best,

The Camper Care Team

PS. The package's mailing label should read:

Camper First & Last Name

C/O {Parent Division} Yoetzet

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