

Application Process

How do I sign up?

Whether you have previously registered for FZY Israel Tour 2020 or not, to sign up you need to complete a short application form which can be found on FZY's website. Depending on previous applications for FZY summer 2020 programmes and how far you got with these will determine how many other forms, if any, need to be completed.

How and when do I pay?

As this series of sessions start later this month, payment is required straight away. Someone from the FZY team will be in contact with you after your initial application to process payment.

What if I can't afford the full cost of the Evening Sessions?

FZY is an inclusive youth movement and we understand, especially during the challenging financial times brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic, that not everyone can pay the full price for these camps. Therefore, there is some financial assistance available for families that are unable to pay the full price of the programme. If you require this, please contact Ruth (ruth@fzy.org.uk) at the FZY office in confidence and she will explain the process to apply for financial assistance.

Are there limited spaces?

Yes. Due to guidance put in place by the UK government to slow the spread of COVID-19 and FZY's resources there is a maximum number of participants we can take. However, this number is large so if you apply promptly there is a good chance there will be space available.

Will my child have priority if they were registered to Israel Tour?

Yes. Those families that applied to Israel Tour 2020 will receive priority if they apply by 11:59pm on Monday 13th August. After this deadline passes, FZY can no longer provide priority to anyone.

About the Evening Sessions

What are the dates of the evening sessions?

There will be five evening sessions in total and they will run from 26th – 30th July in the evenings from 7.30pm-10pm (dates subject to change)

What age participants are the evening sessions for?

FZY are running these sessions just for the people who would have been on Israel Tour this summer if it were not for COVID-19, so those people who have just finished Year 11 during the 2019/20 academic year.

What are you planning to do?

These sessions are not a replacement for Israel Tour, as that is something we hope to be able to offer at another point in the next 12 months. However, these sessions will be a hands-on intensive leadership bootcamp. The evenings will be a mixture of fun, educational and team building activities which will be safe, engaging and will develop leadership skills.

Where are the evening sessions?

The evening sessions are based in a large outdoor site in the Borehamwood / Arkley neighbourhood in North West London. The exact address will be provided to families after they have registered.

Are the sessions outdoors?

The site we are using is outdoors as it is better to protect from COVID-19 in an outdoor setting rather than an indoor setting.

What happens if it rains?

FZY are very used to the British summers and we know not to rely on them. Although the site is outdoors, FZY are bringing in large marquees that will house the different groups. Therefore, there will be a safe and dry indoor space for each activity to run in addition to plenty of outdoor areas should the weather be suitable.

What time do the evening sessions start and finish?

The sessions will run from 7.30pm – 10pm. However, to comply with UK government regulations and to ensure a COVID-secure camp there will be staggered start and finish times for each group. These will be shared with you nearer the time but will be based closely around the 7.30pm – 10pm structure.

How many participants will there be at these sessions?

This will depend how many people apply, however FZY can run these sessions have the capacity to take several groups in a COVID-19 secure manner.

Will the participants be with their friends?

Our plan is to place participants with their friends whilst at the same time ensuring they get to be with some new people. As part of the application process you will be asked to highlight some people you would like to be in a group with if you have a preference. FZY will then attempt to split the groups as best as we can based on friendship requests and ensuring groups that are balanced

Can I join the sessions for just a selection of days?

Unfortunately not. Due to UK governmental COVID-19 regulations people cannot go between groups. Therefore, to ensure we have regimented sized groups that will not disrupt the rest of the participants at the sessions we are only accepting applications for the full five-sessions. If you have a personal situation that you believe may be ‘exceptional’ then please be in contact with the FZY Office who can determine whether there is anything that can be done about this in a safe way.

Who are your staff?

FZY as a youth movement turned 110 years old this year. We have decades of experience of running activities for young people and we do so in a professional manner. Our staff are all graduates of one of FZY’s leadership development training courses and most have previous experience of leading activities for young people. The majority of FZY’s leaders will have been on an FZY activities over the last decade so will understand where the young people are coming from. Many of these leaders were due to be the Israel Tour leaders this summer and may be so next year. These leaders are supported by a professional staff based between FZY’s London and Israel offices who between them have decades of experience building these types of programmes.

What are your staff to child ratios?

Group sizes will contain a maximum of 15 young people. Most groups will be assigned two group leaders, although some may have three. There will be other staff on site who are not assigned to

groups that will be there overseeing the sessions generally, dealing with the logistics, and managing the group leaders.

[What is the price of the sessions and what does it include?](#)

The price of the set of sessions is £99 inclusive. This price includes all the programming for the entirety of the sessions including all staffing costs, and all measures to ensure the camp is COVID-19 secure.

[Is food provided?](#)

To provide a COVID-19 secure camp, FZY will not be providing food. We ask that families bring participants with a food if they feel they will need and a bottle of water for every session. Please make sure the food you provide is kosher and nut-free. FZY will be providing water stations across the site so bottles can be refilled. Additionally, FZY will be running a tuck shop where participants can purchase snacks and merchandise, so participants are unlikely to go hungry.

Keeping the sessions COVID-19 Secure

[Are you allowed to open these sessions under current government guidance?](#)

Yes. On 1st July 2020 the government published guidance for out-of-school settings. FZY have been using this guidance when building and preparing these sessions.

[What do I need to look out for before sending my child to sessions each day?](#)

FZY is relying on all participants and their families to show a real sense of community and to ensure that anyone with a possible sign of COVID-19 does not come to a session. Parents should be looking out for a new, continuous cough or a high temperature, or has a loss of, or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia). Having one or more of these symptoms does not mean that person has COVID-19, but it does mean they need to self-isolate, get a test and to stay away from camp.

[What steps are FZY taking to ensure everyone's safety?](#)

The health, safety and welfare of our participants and staff is FZY's number one priority. Therefore, there are numerous steps that FZY are taking to make sure these sessions will be COVID-secure. Nearer the time FZY will send to families a full overview of how these sessions will operate but some of the steps we are taking include:

- Creating social bubbles of no more than 15 participants. These social bubbles will not interact with each other throughout the evenings.
- Social distancing of two metres will be maintained throughout.
- There will be staggered drop off and pick up times for the participants to minimise overcrowding at the start and end of the day.
- There will be cleaners hired for the duration who will be disinfecting public areas and group spaces regularly.
- A medic will be employed and on site throughout.
- PPE will be present for the staff and participants if/when it is needed.
- There will be alcogel and anti-bacterial wipes across the site.
- Schedules and programming will be built to minimise interactions with other groups.

[Will the participants be in social bubble?](#)

Yes. Each participant will be placed into a social bubble of no more than 15 participants. They will be in this group for the entirety of the sessions.

[Why are the social bubbles allowed to contain 15 participants?](#)

Current guidelines for out-of-school activities as released on 1st July state that groups for young people can be a maximum of 15 people. FZY will continue to monitor these guidelines, however, to maximise social interaction whilst maintaining a COVID-secure environment 15 young people in a group is currently the number we are working with.

[How will you reinforce social distancing?](#)

Participants are expected to adhere to the rules that FZY and the UK government have put in place. Our staff will be there to remind participants of the regulations and to reinforce the rules wherever necessary. If there are participants who disrespect the social distancing rules or any of the regulations that have been put in place to accommodate a COVID-secure environment, FZY will remove them from these sessions.

[Will I get a refund if the programme is cancelled before or during the sessions?](#)

Please see the Terms and Conditions within the Application Form for FZY's refund policy which outlines the different scenarios and the refund policy for these.

[What happens if someone in the sessions has COVID-19 symptoms?](#)

It is important that any participant that shows any symptoms of COVID-19 should not come to the sessions that day and should self-isolate for seven days as the government guidelines outline. Should these signs not be noticed until the participant is on site, there is a full protocol in place to deal with this. In short, they will be immediately separated from the group and parents would need to collect them ASAP. This participant would need to enter self-isolation and get tested for COVID-19. Only after the self-isolation period is over and the test results have come back as negative can this person return to the sessions. Unless there is case where someone has tested positive for COVID-19 other participants will not need to self-isolate nor will the group or the sessions in general need to be closed. However, FZY will always act according to the governmental and medical advice provided.

[What happens if someone in the sessions test positive for COVID-19?](#)

FZY sincerely hopes this will not happen and are putting in several precautions to minimise the risk of this. However, should there be a positive test from one of our participants everyone from that group will need to enter self-isolation for seven days and be tested. It is possible other groups or even the whole site will need to be closed, but that will be a decision taken by or with the health authorities. According to current guidelines, a positive test will not automatically shutter the entire camp, but it is a possibility based on several factors.

[What happens if one of the group leaders need to self-isolate?](#)

Each social bubble will have two leaders assigned to them so depending on the specific situation the group may be able to continue without a replacement leader being brought in. There are also several staff who are in a senior position based on site that have not been allocated to a group. One of these can step into that group and replace the group leader if the need arises.

What are your isolation protocols?

FZY have and are continuing to build isolation protocols which can be shared with families nearer to the date. Our immediate concern is for both the participant showing symptoms and the other participants in the group and the site. The participant will be removed from the group and stay in isolation on the site until they return home which should happen ASAP. The participant will not be totally alone as FZY has a duty of care and responsibility to them, but they will be accompanied only by one other staff person. The member of staff who will be with the participant with symptoms will be provided with PPE, as will the participant themselves.