



Chabad Hebrew School
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Baruch Hashem

Greetings

Dear Parents,

This past year at CHS was a wonderful success! Our classes have been growing, and the students have been learning. I am amazed how well our students can read Hebrew and how much they know.

Welcome, once again, to *Chabad Hebrew School*. At CHS, families of all affiliations and backgrounds feel comfortable and welcomed. Our school offers a warm and lively Jewish atmosphere where children can attain a unique and exciting awareness of their Jewish identity.

With weekly attendance, starting September 18th, by year's end, along with the Aleph-Bet, the holiday learning, and Hebrew literacy, your child will have developed a deep love and respect for our precious heritage. At CHS we take pride in Jewish pride!

We are excited that once again Hebrew School classes will take place on the beautiful grounds of the Sierra School at 4580 Bennett View Drive, Santa Rosa, CA 95404.

As you know, our best form of advertising and growth is word of mouth. If you know anyone at all who might be considering joining CHS please let us know. We welcome families to give CHS a "test drive" before committing. Just let us know. And, take advantage of the early bird special below.

We encourage you, as a parent, to get involved, ask questions and keep in touch with our school. If there is anything you would ever like to discuss with me, feel free to call me at 707-577-0277 or e-mail at altiew@sbcglobal.net

Looking forward to hearing from you,

Altie Wolvovsky, Director

Goals

- To attain a strong sense of love for, and pride in, being Jewish
- To discover and explore the Torah and the incredible history of the Jewish people
- To gain an understanding of Jewish practice
- To perceive Judaism's relevance in the 21st century
- To grasp the Torah's moral and ethical expectations
- To attain a hands-on appreciation for the Jewish holidays
- To master the skills of Hebrew reading and writing
- To gain familiarity with the basic Jewish prayers
- To identify with the Land of Israel and its history
- To stimulate students to express their opinions and questions

Tzedakah: Tzedakah (charity) is a basic value in Judaism. Our school attempts to develop a commitment among our students to share with others less fortunate than themselves by donating a few pennies a day to charity. Please try to send some coins to school each day to help encourage your child to perform this mitzvah

Curriculum

HEBREW – ALEPH CHAMP

Our students learn to read and write Hebrew and achieve a familiarity with the Jewish prayer book through an innovative program. Modeled after the Karate/Martial Arts motivational system, *ALEPH CHAMP* works by dividing different reading skills into levels defined by color.

TORAH

Study of the Torah portions provides our students with a platform from which to draw practical lessons for daily living.

JEWISH HISTORY

Our students gain an appreciation of our heritage and culture through the lens of Jewish history

HOLIDAYS AND SHABBAT

As the students progress through our school, the traditions and lessons of the Jewish Holidays provide a deeper and richer level of understanding. Families and children all enjoy celebrations and festivities hosted by the school.

JEWISH VALUES

Beginning with simple lessons, our younger children learn the origins behind the mitzvot. We stress practical application to the child's daily life in school and home. The older children explore and delve into the spirituality of the Mitzvot on a deeper level,

beginning with discussions on the concept of a soul and progressing to a discussion of each student's own feelings about his/her personal Jewishness.

Music and Art

All our lessons are brought to life in a hands on way with, drama, art and music. We want our children to LIVE what they are learning. They will come home with beautiful projects that they will create and music and songs they will want to sing all day.

Parent Involvement

We strongly encourage close communication between the Hebrew school staff and parents. We are deeply concerned about the progress of each individual student, and would be more than willing to spend time discussing your child's progress with you. Please don't hesitate to call us at 577-0277 should any issue or question arise.

Parent-Teacher Conferences: Parents are invited to schedule a private conference with their child's teacher. This will enable parents to discuss the progress of their children with the teachers personally and individually.

Newsletter: an electronic newsletter will be published periodically. They will tell about progress, special events in the classes as well as important information you need to know. They will also include entries from the students. Please read them. Your comments are always welcome, as we are always looking for ways to improve our educational program.

Attendance: Our school was developed for families who take the study seriously. The first step in the right direction is for parents and children to realize that attendance is the key to a successful school year.

Drop-off and pick up: Effort should be made to assure that your child arrives to school on time. Please see to it that your child is picked up punctually at dismissal time. Please park your car in the parking lot in front of the school and walk your child up to the school. Before leaving, make sure one of the staff members of CHS is aware when your child leaves.

General

Ages: Our program is for boys and girls, ages 5-13

Hours: Sunday, 9:30-11:30 am

Location: Sierra School
4580 Bennett View Drive
Santa Rosa, CA 95404

Directions: Driving on Bennett Valley Road passed Bethards, Turn right onto Bennett View Drive, make the first right on to Mount Taylor and the campus will be on your right.

Registration: To register, please fill out an application and mail it to our office. If you wish you can schedule an interview with the Director to discuss all the details of our Hebrew School. There is a **\$25.00** registration fee due upon registration.

Tuition: Tuition is \$500.00 for the school year.

Early bird special: Register by August 15th and receive \$50.00 off

Refer a friend: Receive another \$50.00 off

Scholarships: No one will be turned away for lack of funds. Limited scholarships are available.

Bar/Bat Mitzvah: Our goal is to prepare your child for the auspicious day of his/her Bar/Bat Mitzvah. As that special day approaches, we set up private tutoring to enable him/her to feel confident and to understand the meaning and responsibility of a Bar/Bat Mitzvah. For more information, email info@JewishSonoma.com or call 577-0277

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County**

STUDENT INFORMATION

Student's Name: _____

Student's Hebrew Name: _____

Grade Entering: _____ Birth Date: _____

Telephone #: _____ Cell Phone # _____

E-mail address _____

Home Address:

School Name & City:

Father's Name: _____

Jewish: yes / no

Mother's Name: _____

Jewish: yes / no

Are there any conversions or adoptions in your family? If
yes, please specify:

ABOUT YOUR CHILD

- ◆ Does your child read basic Hebrew? Yes / no

- ◆ Previous Religious School Education:

- ◆ Does your child have any learning difficulties with general studies?_____

If yes please explain:

- ◆ Is there anything you would like us to know about your child?

GENERAL

Would you be willing to help with school activities?

- ◆ Does either parent have any special resources or skills to offer our children or teachers?

◆ WE GRANT PERMISSION FOR OUR CHILD TO BE PHOTOGRAPHED IN AN INDIVIDUAL OR GROUP PICTURE WHICH MAY BE USED BY THE SCHOOL FOR P.R. PURPOSES.

SIGNED: _____

◆ THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS ARE AUTHORIZED TO TAKE MY CHILD TO AND FROM SCHOOL:

NAME: _____ PHONE _____

NAME: _____ PHONE _____

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MEDICAL EMERGENCIES

- ◆ In case of emergency, when neither parent can be reached, please provide names of two people who should be contacted

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

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Address: _____

- ◆ If neither parent can be reached and emergency medical advice is needed, permission is given to the Hebrew School staff to phone my child's doctor:

Doctor: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Doctor's hospital affiliation: _____

- ◆ In case of medical emergency requiring immediate emergency care, I authorize the paramedics to take my child to the nearest hospital, if necessary.

FURTHER MEDICAL INFORMATION

Medication child is taking on a regular basis: _____

Any special medical circumstances or allergies: _____

FATHER'S SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

MOTHER'S SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

Registration Application 2011-2012 (continued)

I have enclosed _____ registration fee

I have enclosed _____ toward tuition.

Please check box with your choice for method of payment:

____ Pre payment in full before September

____ Payment installments please specify:

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Calendar: 2011/2012

September 18: School begins

October 16: Family Sukkos Party

November 27: No school - Thanksgiving Weekend

December 4: No school - Teacher in service day

December 25: No school - Winter break

January 1: No School - Winter break

February 19: No school

April 8: No School - Passover/Spring Break

May 6: Last day of School/Graduation