

KHN Policy for Adult Education (AE)

FIRST READING 1/21/16

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Definition of Adult Education

Adult Education programs are designed as learning experiences for adult members, which may also be open to the public. They include a range of informative Jewish-related topics.

Purpose of Adult Education

The Adult Education program provides communal activities for enrichment and enjoyment. It gives value-added opportunities for members and forms an attractive aspect for non-members and visitors.

Appropriate Programming

The subject matter of Adult Education programs should address the needs of the Jewish community. While topics might be similar to those available in universities, tailoring these programs to Judaic ideas is important. Subjects are often intended to introduce ideas that stretch acceptance.

Selection of Topics

Topics can relate to news, cultural currents, art, music, and literature. A mix of topics is desirable for a given season of programming, as different topics will attract different constituencies. The AE chair will select topics, consider suggestions, and coordinate with the rabbi.

Scheduling Programs

Program dates are to be anticipated at the beginning of the program year, with placeholders entered into the master calendar. The goal is to plan six programs--three for the fall and three for the spring. Programs are to be scheduled at least six weeks in advance to allow for planning and promotions.

Expenses

Some programs involve honorariums. Choices to cover them include finding a sponsor, charging admission, or drawing from allotted funds previously donated to Adult Education. It is desirable to have programs free and open to the public. One way to do that is to use the talents of members as presenters. Also, announcements are made that "free will offerings" are gratefully accepted.