



Shalom School

SACRAMENTO'S JEWISH DAY SCHOOL

July 23, 2020

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UPCOMING EVENTS

7/30 - K - 6 Zoom Parent Meeting, 5:00 pm

Meeting ID: 897 8914 4412

Password: Shalom

8/17 - Virtual Meet the Teacher for Parparim/Chaverim through 6th grade by appointment only

8/18 - Class Visit Day for Chaverim through Pre-k by appointment only

8/18 - K-6 Pick-up Day by appointment only

8/19 - First day of school; ECE in person, K-6 distance learning

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COVID-19 LINKS

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A NOTE FROM THE HEAD OF SCHOOL

Dear Shalom School Families,

It's hard to believe that July is almost over. We have been hard at work in the past weeks, planning for our ECE program to continue on-campus learning and for our K – 6 program to begin the 20 – 21 school year in distance education mode. While we have always had to manage multiple priorities and demands, this summer has brought an entirely new level of contingency planning. We are so fortunate that our teachers and staff bring their amazing energy and professionalism to all the work we do, and we are confident that we will be able to provide a rich and robust experience for all our students.

Given the current guidelines and guidance for schools from state and local authorities, our entire ECE program, including Pre-Kindergarten, will begin on-campus learning on August 19th and our K – 6 students will begin distance education that same day. We will have both Meet the Teacher meetings on August 17th and ECE Classroom Visit/K-6 Pick-up day on August 18th as originally scheduled. Meet the Teacher meetings will take place via Zoom, and class visits will take place on campus and be scheduled individually. Look for information about scheduling both of these events next week.

While we were hoping that our elementary program would begin on campus, we have been planning for the contingency of distance education and have worked hard to learn from our experience last spring and do additional research in order to provide an engaging and rigorous experience for students. We are planning to provide synchronous (via Zoom or other platform) instruction for all K – 6 students from 8:30 to 2:40 each day, with breaks for recess and lunch. Weekly schedules will be

consistent, and just as with on-campus learning, students who are absent from virtual class will need to have a parent note in order to excuse them. Teachers will provide a rich mix of activities, projects, lessons, and assessments, and we will be grading students and providing progress reports and report cards.

Students will also have PE each day, along with some specials each week. Teachers will be working hard to create virtual classrooms that emphasize community, student independence, and curricular excellence. It will be imperative for each child to have a dedicated device for accessing his or her virtual classroom, and we will be lending out devices to any families that need them. Look for more information about borrowing devices in the coming weeks.

We will share more information with parents in several ways:

We'll host a K - 6 [Zoom](#) Parent Meeting next Thursday, July 30th, at 5 pm. If you can't make the meeting, we will be recording and sharing it. ([Meeting ID: 897 8914 4412 , Password: Shalom](#))

- You will continue to receive email updates from us—please make sure we have updated addresses and that we aren't going to your 'spam' folder.
- Teachers will present information at the Meet the Teacher meetings and Back to School Night (which will be held virtually).
- Elementary teachers will hold class meetings for parents every two weeks during distance education.

We are asking that all preschool, Pre-K, and elementary families purchase their children's [school supplies](#) before the first day of school. Preschool and Pre-K students will need the supplies because of the limits on shared supplies in school, and elementary students will need their supplies at home to do classwork and then will bring them to school when we are able to resume on-campus instruction.

Recently, Brene Brown said, "We're going to have to settle into a new normal while grieving the loss of normal, which is a big ask of people." As we continue to plan for the coming school year, we are doing just that—moving from distance education in "crisis mode" to a virtual school model, where elementary students' experiences are more consistent and predictable and at the same time, remembering that along with academics, we are still trying to provide for the social, emotional, and spiritual needs of every child. I often say that the our task in education at Shalom School is sacred work, and that privilege and responsibility feels even larger, if that's possible, as we take on these unprecedented challenges. I remain incredibly grateful to our amazing staff and to you, our partners.

Shabbat shalom,

Nancy

BACK TO SCHOOL

Preschool - 6th grade

**BUY YOUR SCHOOL
SUPPLIES TODAY!**

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT:

[HTTPS://WWW.SHALOMSCHOOL.ORG/
CURRENT-FAMILIES/SUPPLY-LISTS](https://www.shalomschool.org/current-families/supply-lists)

Chaverim - 6th grade VIRTUAL

Meet the
Teacher

AUGUST 17TH

BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

LOOK FOR AN EMAIL COMING SOON TO
SCHEDULE YOUR APPOINTMENT



Save the Date

**ECE CLASS VISIT
AND
K-6 PICK-UP DAY**

August 18th

by appointment only

Look for an email coming soon to set
up your appointment

PTF - PARENTS, TEACHERS, FRIENDS



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P.T.F.

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PTF Meetings

August 28th

October 16th

December 11th

February 19th

April 9th

May 28th

To maintain the health and
safety of our parents, teachers,

BOX TOPS

Support PTF through Box Tops for Education. Click [here](#) to learn more information.

Don't forget to search for Shalom Day School when you register.



SHALOM SHARE

[Shalom Share](#) is a free, on-line site for Shalom School families to share new or gently used goods within our community.

ALL ITEMS ON THE SITE ARE FREE!

PLUS! Get 30 minutes towards your parent participation hours for a completed share.

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AMAZON SMILE

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SHALOM SCHOOL SHIRTS

Students are asked to wear dark blue Shalom School monogrammed Lands' End polo shirts on Fridays.

Blue Shalom School T-shirts can be purchased in the Admissions Office and at many PTF events. Prices are \$22 for polo shirts and \$18 for regular T-shirts. Shalom School apparel can also be ordered directly from Lands' End.

LANDS' END

Shalom School's mission is to provide each child with an outstanding education in a nurturing environment that is academically excellent, inclusive, innovative, and inspired by Jewish values and traditions.

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