

Congregation Gates of Heaven
Golub Family Education Center
2020-2021 Religious School Registration

April 2020/Iyaar 5780

Dear Families,

This is an extraordinary time for all of us. This school year has not been what we expected; however, I am immensely proud of how we have come together as a school and community and commend everyone's hard work in accomplishing this effort. As a parent I know the challenges of homeschooling and being sheltered in place with children; as an educator I know the challenges of creating virtual educational opportunities. I believe when the 'pause' ends, we will have a greater appreciation for our teachers and our own abilities.

It is difficult to think about fall, but Congregation Gates of Heaven Religious School will be here to continue as a school community and provide your children a Jewish Education. We are going to do registration as "usual," but as we plan for different scenarios for the opening of school, we will follow whatever guidelines are in place at that time and adjust our program/schedule as needed and will transition as needed. Note: because Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur fall on Sundays in September, we will begin Religious School on October 4.

Registration for Preschool – 7th Grade for the 2020-2021 school year will be available on our web site, <https://cgoh.org/religious-school/> or download a printable Registration form. All forms are due August 2, 2020. Religious school meets 9:30 am—12:00 noon Sunday mornings for all grades. Hebrew classes from grades 4 –7 meet at the following times:

- ◆ **Sunday** mornings from 8:15 am-9:30 am.
- ◆ **Wednesdays** from 4:15 pm –5:45 pm
- ◆ **Tuesdays** from 4:30 pm – 6:00 pm. Classes meet at Congregation Beth Shalom, 688 Clifton Park Center Road, Clifton Park, NY.

We are aware there may be scheduling conflicts for many families. This year we have instructors available for group or individual lessons using the Skype or Facetime. If there are four or more families interested, we are also able to set up classes in your home. Contact Arnie for more information.

School Fees for 2019-2020

Religious School - open to CGOH members only—K – 7th Grade: \$260 per child.

Hebrew School - open to CGOH members only—4th – 7th Grade: \$300 per child.

Gan (Preschool) - for CGOH members: \$250 for both 3 and 4 year olds.

Non-member Fees: \$390 for both 3 and 4 year olds.

Sunday Gates Café Bagels & Milk—\$45.00 for the whole year. (A la carte purchases available each week).

Tuesday or Wednesday Gates Café Bagels & Milk—\$45.00 for the whole year. (A la carte purchases available each week).

Scholarship Information – for CGOH members only: We are pleased to be able to offer full and partial scholarships to Religious School and Hebrew School for families with financial hardship, through the Alan Sternstein Cheder Scholarship Fund.

Donations in honor of your student: If you would like to support the Sternstein Scholarship Fund, please include your donation on the registration forms. _

Sunday Duty Obligation - For the Safety of Our Children

Parents/significant others from each family are needed to volunteer to provide an assigned Sunday to traffic, lobby, and office supervision, sometimes more than once per year. Assignment lists will be prepared before school starts in the fall and printed in the Religious School handbook and posted on the temple website (www.cgoh.org/learning/religious-school)

- Traffic direction: 9:15 a.m.-9:45 a.m. and 11:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m.
- Lobby supervision: 9:15 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
- Office: 9:15 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Special Needs

The responsibility for the education of each of our children is an honor and a mission that we take seriously. We believe that all students, including those with special needs, are deserving of the best education we can offer. Please use the **Student Information** form to let us know of any physical, learning, emotional, or behavioral needs of your child. **Sharing your child's IEP or 504 is helpful in meeting your child's individual needs.** To discuss requisites for your child, please contact Arnie Rotenberg

Shoreshim (The Roots) of our families

Rabbi Matt teaches that grandparents plant a seed in one generation and are able to witness the fruit of another generation—their grandchildren. Keep them in the loop with all the information about your child and the extended family here at Gates of Heaven. Send us their names and addresses and we will include them when sending out communication.

If you have any questions, please email me at arotenberg@cgoh.org or Kathy at klaws@cgoh.org.

Sincerely,
Arnold Rotenberg
Director of Congregational Jewish Living

Matt Cutler
Rabbi

DUE DATE – AUGUST 2, 2020 Date Received by office _____

**CONGREGATION GATES OF HEAVEN/GOLUB FAMILY EDUCATION CENTER
SCHOOL FEES FOR 2020-2021**

LAST NAME: _____

- **Religious School Fees for Kindergarten through 7th Grade:**
\$260 per child \$ _____
 - **Hebrew School Fees for 4th through 7th Grade (in addition to RS fees):**
\$300 per child \$ _____
 - **Prepaid Bagel Fee (optional) @ \$45 per child** \$ _____
 - **Gan (Preschool) Fees for 3 and 4 year-olds:**
CGOH Members: \$250 per child \$ _____
Non-Members: \$390 per child \$ _____
 - **Late Fee**
\$30.00 for registrations submitted after August 2, 2020 \$ _____
 - **Contribution to Sternstein Scholarship Fund** \$ _____
 - **Total Fees** \$ _____
- (All fees must be paid in full by 1/1/2021 or an add'l \$25/mo fee will be billed)**

Please complete form of payment: (please read all options carefully)

1. _____ Enclosed is a check for total fees in the amount of \$ _____
2. _____ Enclosed are 3 checks, each 1/3 of the total fees, dated July 1, September 1, and December 1
3. _____ I authorize CGOH to charge my credit card for total fees \$ _____
A 3% convenience fee will be added to all Credit Card transactions, unless paid in full by Aug 15.

Check one:

- _____ please charge total amount now to my credit card
- _____ please divide total into 1/3s and charge to my card in July, September, & December.

All credit card information MUST be completed. We no longer keep cc information on file.

Credit Card Number: _____ Expiration Date: _____

Name as it appears on credit card: _____

Billing address: _____ Zip code: _____

Signed: _____ Date of Signature: _____

If the credit card is declined for ANY reason a fee of \$30 will be assessed. It is your responsibility to provide us with current credit card information.

For scholarship information, call Laura Ehrich at 518-374-8173 or email at lehrich@cgoh.org.

CGOH Religious School Family Information 2020-2021
Complete page per student for *New Students Only* or if the information we have has changed.

| | Parent #1 | Parent #2 |
|----------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Full Name: | _____ | _____ |
| Home Address: | _____ | _____ |
| | _____ | _____ |
| Home Phone: | _____ | _____ |
| Work Phone: | _____ | _____ |
| Cell Phone: | _____ | _____ |
| E-Mail: | _____ | _____ |

Children live with (check one): _____ both parent's _____ Parent #1 _____ Parent #2
 _____ Other (Please specify and provide address, home/work/cell phone and e-mail information)

Preferred Email for updates, teacher messages, etc. Circle one or both #1 #2

Please list all children enrolling in Religious/Hebrew School for 2019-2020.

Please check Hebrew below if you are enrolling your 4th – 7th grader in Hebrew School. If these times are not convenient for your family's schedule, contact Arnie.

| | | | | | Tues | Weds | Sun |
|-----------------|-----------|------------|--------|--|------|------|------|
| Full Name _____ | DOB _____ | Grade ____ | Hebrew | | ____ | ____ | ____ |
| Full Name _____ | DOB _____ | Grade ____ | Hebrew | | ____ | ____ | ____ |
| Full Name _____ | DOB _____ | Grade ____ | Hebrew | | ____ | ____ | ____ |
| Full Name _____ | DOB _____ | Grade ____ | Hebrew | | ____ | ____ | ____ |

Emergency Contact NOT A PARENT

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ **Cell Phone:** _____

Relationship to Students: _____

Shoreshim: Please add the following grandparents or special friends of my child(ren).

Name: _____ Address: _____

Email: _____

Name: _____ Address: _____

Email: _____

Name: _____ Address: _____

Email: _____

CGOH Student Information Form 2020-2021

Please complete one form for each new student or if the information we have has changed, i.e., a 504 or IEP has been adjusted or added

Our goal is to make Judaism and a Jewish education accessible to all children, and to “Educate each child according to their way” (Proverbs 22:6)

Please help us by describing any emotional, behavioral, physical or learning challenges that might affect the student’s ability to work at grade level or participate in educational or social programs at CGOH, or information that might be useful for the educational staff in planning for your child’s education.

Student: _____ Hebrew Name: _____
(in English)

Student’s school _____ Student’s grade in school: _____

Special Services:

Does student have an IEP or 504 Plan? _____ (Individual Education Plan from school)

Describe any special services that the student receives in school or through the school district.. **Sharing the IEP or 504 allows us to mirror the support your child is receiving in the best way possible.**

Medical/Allergies:

Does your child have any medical problems or food allergies?

Does your child take any prescription medications regularly?

Doctor’s name, phone number: _____

Dentist’s name, phone number: _____

In case of an emergency, which hospital would you prefer? _____

Photo Policy :



Check here that you read the policy

In March of 2014, the Board of Congregation Gates of Heaven passed a policy regarding social media. The policy states that photographs of congregants will be posted on social media (CGOH Website, Facebook, etc.). Photos allow our community to share and unite. They are part of the rich content that makes social media engaging.

In an effort to protect people’s privacy, labels and comments will not contain the names of the individuals in the photographs unless those individuals have given consent, either verbal or written. Should your child’s photo be on a Social Media site belonging to Congregation Gates of Heaven and you want that photo removed, please contact the Rabbi, Educator or Executive Director and that photo will be removed.

Please complete one for each student

CONGREGATION GATES OF HEAVEN

Covenant for Learning – *Brit Limmud*

The Educator and the Rabbi will support positive student behavior and maintain effective discipline within the school through regular observation and consultation with the teachers, students and parents to identify and resolve problems that affect a student's learning or participation in the classroom or activities.

We seek to create a warm, secure and joyful learning environment for our students so they can develop a sense of love and identification with Judaism and Congregation Gates of Heaven. To maintain a positive atmosphere, we expect mutual respect and understanding among the teachers, students and parents as well as **dignity and clarity of expectations** for classroom behavior between teachers and students.

Should disruptive or disrespectful behavior occur, they will be handled in the classroom whenever possible. Parent(s) and/or guardian(s) will be notified if a student's behavior becomes inappropriate. Should a student need to be removed from the classroom due to inappropriate behavior he/she will be taken to the Director of Congregational Living to discuss the issue and incident will be recorded on the student's record. If a student is sent to the office a second time, the parents will be notified and the students cannot return to the class until a conference is held with the parents, teacher and Director.

If continued behavior problems persist, a meeting with the Rabbi and Director of Congregational Jewish Living will occur. In addition, the situation may require removal of the student from the school which can jeopardize a Bar/Bat Mitzvah ceremony or participation in Confirmation.

_____ Date

_____ Student (if able to write their name)

_____ Parent