

☆ WAYS FOR YOU TO BE INVOLVED IN YOUR CHILD'S JEWISH EDUCATION ☆

Help out by becoming a classroom parent or helping with special events throughout the year. Just return the form below or call the School Director.

Speak with your child's teacher about coming in to the classroom to share a talent or a story.

Ask your child about what they are learning and be willing to learn along with them.

Bring them to Shabbat services, participate with them, and enjoy the kiddush lunch with your synagogue family.

Listen to your child read Hebrew. You do not need to correct them. You do not even have to know how to read Hebrew to listen to your child and be impressed.

Notice the family programs, special events, and class services in the school calendar and make attendance a priority.

Want more ideas? Just ask your child's teacher or call the School Director and we will be happy to make sure you are a real partner in your child's Jewish education.

There are also formal ways to be involved with the school such as joining the school board or the PTO. Your input is valued and appreciated.

Temple Beth El School Board

The School Board serves as the congregation's representative in assessing its quality, maintaining its strong standards, and driving for continuous improvement. The work of this committee helps the school run efficiently.

The School Board is currently comprised of school parents, other congregants, a faculty representative, and the school director.

The Board is chaired by Michael Finley, Temple Beth El's Vice President of the Religious School. If you have comments or are interested in joining the Board, please ask the school office to pass your contact information on to Michael. We welcome your input!

P. T. O.

Our PTO is currently in need of co-chairs. This is a rewarding volunteer position which does not take up much time. Please contact the school office if you might be interested in working with Sheryl and Alicia to help parents get involved.

The PTO supports the religious school in several vital ways:

- Provides volunteers for school-wide special activities such as hamantashen baking, model seders, and Mensch of the Month Lunches.
- Supports fund-raising for specific school programs or needs not covered by the school budget.

If you would like to volunteer for the Religious School PTO or would like to volunteer as a class parent, please contact the school at 610-435-3521, extension 106



PARENTS AS PARTNERS

Please consider signing up for one or more activities. Many of the opportunities are one-time commitments. Completed forms should be sent in to the Religious School Office as soon as possible. We have fabulous activities planned but need your help to make them happen!

Thank you for your continued support!

- _____ Class Parent – Please indicate grade level: _____ ***WE NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR THIS****
- Communicates requests for volunteers from the PTO and/or teachers and collects donations twice a year
- _____ Mensch of the Month Coordinator – coordinate volunteers to purchase food, set-up/clean-up
- _____ Mensch of the Month Assistance – help shop for groceries week prior OR set-up/clean-up lunch OR the day of the lunch
_____ Nov _____ Feb _____ May
- _____ Hamentashen Baking Coordinator – purchase food, oversee and coordinate volunteers
- _____ Hamentashen Baking Assistance – help with the actual day that children do the baking
_____ DATES CANCELLED THIS YEAR
- _____ Teacher Shalach Manot Coordinator – help decide on small Purim gift baskets for teachers and shop for items (you will be reimbursed)
- _____ Shalach Manot Assistance – along with other parents, help assemble baskets for teachers and/or help students assemble bags for each other (March 8)
- _____ Model Seder co-Coordinator – purchase food, oversee and coordinate Seder volunteers (working with experienced coordinator)
- _____ Model Seder Assistance – along with other parents, help set-up, serve and clean-up for the Seder (Apr 5)
- _____ Teacher Appreciation Coordinator – coordinate the purchase of token gifts, appreciation breakfast, thank you notes, etc.
- _____ Madrichim Appreciation Coordinator – coordinate the purchase of token gifts, treats, etc. for our teen aides
- _____ Appreciation Committee – help show appreciation to our amazing teachers and to our teen classroom aides during Appreciation Week and holidays
- _____ Fundraising Committee – along with other parents, help with fundraising activities such as distributing orders and help decide how funds are used
- _____ PTO Board Member – attend board meeting 2x per year (most communication is through email)
- _____ Photographer for special events
- _____ Office assistant or teacher substitute as needed
- _____ Hebrew tutor
- _____ Other - How would you like to help? _____

Parent Name: _____

Best Phone # to reach you: _____

Email: _____

Child(ren) Names and Grade(s): _____



Sunday School Crash Course for Parents



This crash course will go over just the very basics and you will:

- **Learn the difference between an alef and a bet and even read Hebrew words in the prayer book.**
- **Learn baby steps you can take to begin bringing the beauty of Shabbat into your home.**
- **Learn traditions and mitzvot you can start doing with your family right now**
- **Learn that you are not alone. There are many other parents who face similar challenges and you can connect with each other and help one another along the way.**

This FREE class is only four Sundays and is for parents of children enrolled in our religious school. It will only cover the very basics to help you get started and is taught by Morah Alicia Zahn with some pop-in instruction from clergy and faculty. For a more comprehensive class, please consider an adult education course with Rabbi Re'em.

To sign up for SUNDAY SCHOOL CRASH COURSE, please return bottom to Temple Beth El Religious School Office or email school@bethelallentown.org **BY NOVEMBER 24th**

This class will resume in 2021-22 School Year

Enjoy coffee, tea, and conversation before and after your class while your children are in their class

Name _____

Email _____

Phone number _____

Sunday School Crash Course
