

Effective May 1, 2019

CONGREGATION BETH ISRAEL RELIGIOUS SCHOOL POLICIES

Attendance Policy

There exists a direct relationship between student success in the classroom and regular attendance. It is imperative to the educational development of the students that they attend school as often as possible. In addition, the Hebrew language and knowledge of reading and writing will become increasingly difficult. Subject to the decision (to vary from this policy) of such individual(s) or committee that may be designated by the Board of Trustees from time to time (which decision may be made reasonably, notwithstanding mandatory language contained within this Attendance Policy), the following shall apply to the Congregation Beth Israel Religious School:

- Students must attend 70% of classes. Attendance will be taken to ensure this percentage is met. The Education Director will send an email to parents and or call if absences become an issue. Missing more than 30% of Religious School will be considered an incomplete year. The parent will then have to meet with Rabbi and the Education Director and the Education Committee to discuss that student's continuation with Religious School. Please note, a repeat year will be necessary and thus will affect B'nai Mitzvah and Confirmation Dates.
- BAR AND BAT MITZVAH students must attend three (3) years of Consecutive Religious School immediately prior to Mitzvah date. This may take place at CBI or at a previous congregation (previous congregation religious school attendance will be confirmed prior to CBI RS enrollment) Bar and Bat Mitzvah tutoring DOES NOT count towards Religious school attendance
- EARLY DISMISSAL is not allowed more than 5 times.
- CONFIRMATION students wishing to attend confirmation must complete 8th and 9th grade with the 70% attendance requirement referenced above.

Tuition Policy

- NO REFUNDS FOR RELIGIOUS SCHOOL TUITION

All books and materials are ordered at the time of registration and payment. Therefore, tuition is nonrefundable.

Dress Code

- **DRESS**

During the year each grade leads a service. On such occasions, including rehearsals if the Torah is taken out and read from, the students are asked to wear something special-other than everyday attire, a step above jeans. Understanding schedules to be hectic and not wanting to deter anyone from attending, if changing is not feasible, please come as you are.

Immunizations Policy

The Board of Trustees and Officers of Congregation Beth Israel consider the health and well-being of our synagogue and school community of the utmost importance. Please note that in regard to registration for all Religious School (the "School") classes and programming beginning with the 2019-2020 school year, the School mandates (as a condition precedent to admission) that prior to being admitted to the School, a prospective student have had all immunizations required under Texas Law and that verifiable copies of immunization records be provided to the Religious School in conjunction with submitting a registration application. The only exemption and exception to the foregoing requirement shall be when, on behalf of a prospective student, a written statement (the "Statement") is provided to the School, dated and signed by a physician (M.D. or D.O.), properly licensed and in good standing in any state in the United States who has examined the prospective student. The Statement must clearly and unequivocally provide that, in the physician's opinion, the vaccine required is medically contraindicated or poses significant risk to the health and well-being of the prospective student or any member of his or her household. Any attempted use of the foregoing exemption/exception must be renewed prior to student registration each year.