

# Congregation Eitz Chayim



## Membership Form 2018-2019

Name	Cell phone
E-Mail	
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Street Address	Contact phone
City, State, Zip	

**Children:**

### Suggested Membership Donation

Membership includes High Holiday tickets for adult members and their children under age 26; members also receive discounts on additional High Holiday tickets. Please note: Eitz Chayim charges no additional building fund fee. We welcome all to Eitz Chayim regardless of ability to pay full membership dues. Please see below for details of sliding fee scale. The amounts listed in the table below are necessary for us to continue to operate. In addition to these, we do an annual fund drive in the winter to allow us to support those members who are not able to contribute the full amounts listed below and to achieve our goal of educating the children of all members, regardless of their ability to pay.

**Couple/Two-Adult Family**      \$ 2,575  
**Individual/One-Adult Family**      \$ 1,390  
**Full-Time Student**              \$ 435

**Suggested Membership:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**School total (from page 3):** \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**Total Donation Pledge\*:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Membership, Sunday Program and Hebrew School donations to Congregation Eitz Chayim are intended to be tax deductible charitable contributions and are deductible to the full extent that the law allows.

### \*Sliding Scale Payment

We welcome all to Eitz Chayim regardless of ability to pay. If the cost of membership and tuition presents a serious financial hardship, we offer a sliding scale payment option. It is based on the honor system, without inquiring into the particulars of your situation. We ask that you give as generously as you can, and we accept dues and tuition (K or above) on a sliding scale with the understanding that all members will pay the standard rate when they are able. As a guideline, although we understand that individual financial situations may or may not allow it, we encourage members paying on a sliding scale to contribute 2% of their gross income. There is a minimum fee of \$18 per person, adults and children in our school. If you wish to avail yourself of this option, simply write the actual amount of your donation pledge in the "Total Donation Pledge" line above and check here \_\_\_\_

### For all School Options

If you list children on page 3 of this form, you will receive additional information from the school regarding all the information they need to register your child. Or, you can download the required forms from : [www.eitz.org/school-registration-form](http://www.eitz.org/school-registration-form) and mail them in with this membership form.

## Payment Schedule Options

- Enclosed is a check for the full amount.
- Enclosed is half the annual payment. Please bill the remainder on Dec. 1.
- Enclosed is one month's payment. Please bill the remainder monthly.

Eitz Chayim's membership year runs July 1 to June 30. Members may make payments annually, due July 31; semi-annually, due July 31 and December 31; or monthly, due July 31 through June 30, Pro-rata membership dues are available to people who join in October or later and have not been to High Holiday services. *Members who join after July and wish to make payments monthly may calculate their payments based on the number of months remaining in the membership year.*

Please make checks payable to Congregation Eitz Chayim. We accept payments via PayPal. Go to [www.eitz.org/donations](http://www.eitz.org/donations) to make a payment. PayPal charges us about 3% for their service and we would appreciate it if you would increase your donation to cover that, although it is not required.

**If you need additional information about a financial matter, please contact our Treasurer, Lew Zackin, at [treasurer@eitz.org](mailto:treasurer@eitz.org).**

## Participation

Membership at Congregation Eitz Chayim is about more than just paying dues. Eitz Chayim is a participatory community in which every member gets involved in some way during the year. We ask each member to co-host a Kiddush at Friday evening services once a year and pitch in at one other community event. Assisting at events provides opportunities for meeting other members and contributing to the spirit and well being of the community.

In the spirit of the participatory congregation that we are, please indicate at least one team below for your (family's) special Eitz Chayim involvement, either current or prospective:

Building \_\_\_    Communications \_\_\_    Community Concerns \_\_\_    Eitz Action \_\_\_    Finance \_\_\_  
Garden \_\_\_    High Holy Days \_\_\_    Other Holidays \_\_\_ (Preference: \_\_\_\_\_)  
Kitchen \_\_\_    Membership \_\_\_    Ritual \_\_\_    School \_\_\_

## Agreement

I/We have read and understand the information about our responsibility for making full and timely payments of fees and for participating at events and in the school. I/We accept the financial and community obligations of membership in Congregation Eitz Chayim.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# Religious School Program

Eitz offers a religious school program for grades K through B'nai Mitzvah. The program meets on Sundays 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM and additionally on Wednesday evenings from 6:00PM – 7:00PM for children in grades 4-7. Students who demonstrate proficiency in reading Hebrew will be excused from the Wednesday class.

## Preschool Program

For children aged 3 and up, Eitz Chayim offers a unique age-appropriate program featuring crafts, songs, dance and Jewish holiday-themed activities. This program meets twice monthly on Sundays, from 10:00AM–12:00PM. All children enrolled in the preschool program must be fully potty-trained.

## Toddler Program

For children aged 2-3, Eitz Chayim invites caregivers to join this class with their toddler, which focuses on songs, movement and Jewish holiday-themed activities. The toddler program meets once per month on Sundays from 10:00AM–12:00PM.

## Fees

*School fees cover registration, tuition, books, and materials. Families with multiple children enrolled in the Sunday and Sunday/Monday/Wednesday Programs receive reduced rates*

<b><i>Cost is per child, based on total enrolled</i></b>	<b>Program ID</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> child enrolled</b>	<b>Additional children</b>
<b><i>Toddler</i></b>	<b>TD</b>	<b>\$ 200</b>	<b>\$ 200</b>
<b><i>Pre School</i></b>	<b>PS</b>	<b>\$ 500</b>	<b>\$ 500</b>
<b><i>Sunday Program (Grades K-3)</i></b>	<b>SP</b>	<b>\$ 1,225</b>	<b>\$ 1,025</b>
<b><i>B'nai Mitzvah Program (Grades 4-7)</i></b>	<b>HS</b>	<b>\$1,925</b>	<b>\$ 1,625</b>

If you have more than one child enrolled in different programs, choose the combination of 1<sup>st</sup> child and additional children that gives the least expensive total fee.

Student Information:

<b>Child's Name</b>	<b>Program ID</b>	<b>Fee</b>
<b>Total</b>		

Listing your children here is only for financial purposes, it does not register them for school. You also need to fill out the school registration forms and send them in. See the first page for instructions on how to get those forms.