



## Sylvia F. Lodish Religious School Kashrut Policy



### Snacks, Food and Kashrut

The laws of Kashrut represent an important means of sanctifying the act of eating. As a Conservative synagogue, Temple Beth Hillel-Beth El abides by the guidelines on Kashrut as interpreted by the Rabbinical Assembly Committee on Jewish Law and Standards.

**PLEASE READ THIS POLICY CAREFULLY:** It is heartbreaking when an excited child brings a snack to class – especially for a birthday – and we are not able to serve it because it does not meet our policy.

All food served at the school must have acceptable Kashrut certification.

If you provide food for a snack or a birthday treat, it must be packaged **and** have a kosher symbol on it. Baked items may be purchased from a local kosher bakery or come packaged from the supermarket. Bestcake, Buy the Dozen, The Dairy Café, New York Bagels, and Viking are all Kosher, as are Entenmanns and Tastycake. The Wynnewood Giant and Narberth Acme both have kosher bakeries, but make sure that items purchased there come from the kosher section and have a kosher seal on them.

In order to maintain our sense of communal standards and to be respectful towards all families and the choices they make, **no home cooked/prepared food** is permitted in the school, regardless of whether or not a family may keep kosher at home.

We accept most national and regional kosher certifications (see symbols above), with the following caveats:



- The Triangle-K is fine for dairy and pareve, but not for meat (such as Hebrew National hot dogs).



- The “tablet K” (found on many cheeses) is not acceptable.
- The letter **K** by itself does not indicate a reliable standard of Kashrut.

Please also make sure that you are aware of any food allergies in your child’s class. A class parent or teacher can provide you with this information.