

**Grades K-1: Morah Dassy Cotlar**

**Sundays 9:30 am-11:30 am**

<p><b>Sunday Curriculum</b></p>	<p><b>Mitzvot I Can Do</b> A fun and interactive curriculum geared to engage and teach young children how to perform various Mitzvot using the different parts of their bodies Each topic is brought to a child’s relatable level complete with songs, stories, art and activities.</p>	<p><b>Holiday Curriculum:</b> Learning about the Jewish holidays and understanding them through activities and games.</p>
<p><b>Hebrew Reading Skills:</b></p>	<p><b>End of Kindergarten:</b> Recognize letters of the first half of the Hebrew Aleph-Bet and know the sounds and be familiar with most of the remaining letters.</p>	<p><b>End of First Grade:</b> Recognize all of the letters in the Hebrew Aleph-Bet and their sounds. Start learning the vowels and ability to put together some basic words.</p>

**Grades 2-3: Morahs Deborah Jacobi (Sunday) and Leah Russel (Wednesday)**

**Sundays 9:30 am-11:30 am • Wednesdays 4:45 pm – 6:15 pm**

<p><b>Sunday Curriculum</b></p>	<p><b>Parshalive!</b> Students gain an appreciation for our Torah by focusing on a story or theme through hands-on activities, discussions and projects to bring the parsha to life. We will cover famous stories from the book of Bereishit-Genesis.</p>	<p><b>Holiday Curriculum:</b> Learn about the history, customs and traditions of the Jewish Holidays and how they relate to children today.</p>
<p><b>Wednesday Curriculum</b></p>	<p><b>TORAHpedia</b> A fun and engaging curriculum, focusing on one mitzvah for each letter of the aleph-bet. TORAHpedia brings real-life relevance to key Jewish concepts, demonstrating how Torahs lessons are applicable to the student’s actual lives.</p>	
<p><b>Hebrew Reading Skills:</b></p>	<p><b>End of 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade:</b> Pass white, red, and orange Aleph (ability to read all the letters and most of the vowels)</p>	<p><b>End of 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade:</b> Pass yellow and green Aleph (ability to recognize all letters and vowels and read words three syllables long)</p>

**Grades 4-5: Rabbi Pinney Herman**

Sundays 9:30 am-11:30 am

• Wednesdays 4:45 pm – 6:15 pm

<p><b>Sunday Curriculum</b></p>	<p><b>Hang with the Ten</b></p> <p>A comprehensive program about the Aseret Hadibrot (Ten Commandments), and the relevance of each commandment in a child's life today</p>	<p><b>Holiday Curriculum:</b></p> <p>An in-depth look at the history and laws of the Jewish Holidays and how to make it meaningful and exciting for children</p>
<p><b>Wednesday Curriculum</b></p>	<p><b>LINKS- Connecting to Jewish History:</b></p> <p>Jewish history will come alive as students learn about our past and beautiful culture that has been preserved throughout the ages which will lead them to discover their own place in the eternal timeline.</p>	
<p><b>Hebrew Reading Skills:</b></p>	<p><b>End of 4<sup>th</sup>:</b></p> <p>Pass blue Alef (ability to fluently read words containing all the letter/vowel combinations)</p>	<p><b>End of 5<sup>th</sup> Grade:</b></p> <p>Pass purple and brown Aleph (ability to fluently read basic and advanced Hebrew prayers)</p>

**Grades 6-8: Rabbi Lev Cotlar**

Sundays 9:30 am-11:30 am

• Wednesdays 4:45 pm – 6:15 pm

<p><b>Sunday Curriculum</b></p>	<p><b>Jewish Discovery Course:</b></p> <p>This course uses the macrocosmic journey of the Jewish people, from the birth of Abraham and Sarah, until the time when Jews entered the land of Israel, as a paradigm to explore the microcosmic journey of the individual in his or her personal relationship with G-d.</p>	
<p><b>Wednesday Curriculum</b></p>	<p><b>The Living Torah:</b></p> <p>Students will appreciate the interactive discussion-style format of the class, as we analyze the Torah portion and view our 3,000 year old history through relevant and empowering perspective</p>	<p><b>Holiday Curriculum:</b></p> <p>A comprehensive journey through the Jewish calendar, delving into the traditions of the various holidays and its effect on our lives</p>
<p><b>Hebrew Reading Skills:</b></p>	<p><b>End of 6<sup>th</sup> Grade:</b></p> <p>Pass grey Aleph (Master reading from the Siddur in a timed fasion)</p>	<p><b>End of 7<sup>th</sup> Grade:</b> Become a <i><b>Black Aleph Champion</b></i> (master reading over 100 words a minute), and began studying Hebrew vocabulary and grammar</p>

### **Shabbat Hebrew School**

Two Shabbat (Saturday) mornings this year, we are having a Shabbat Hebrew School program for our students and their families. We will begin with Tefilla (Shabbat service) that will be student led, followed by our students joining their class with a special interactive Shabbat class. Following the program, all parents and students are invited to a Shabbat Kiddush in the social hall. Note: this substitutes the regular Sunday school program for that week, so please make sure to attend.

**Shabbat, October 21<sup>st</sup> from 10:30-12:00pm followed by Kiddush**

**Shabbat, January 27<sup>th</sup> from 10:30-12:00pm followed by Kiddush**

### **T.G.I. Shabbat**

Transform your Friday evenings into a time of great food, lively singing and quality time with family and friends as we welcome in Shabbat with a student led Kabbalat Shabbos followed by a delicious dinner and fun

**Friday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> , from 6:00-7:30 pm**

### **New program! Havdalah Ceremony**

**Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup> from 6-7 pm**

Join us for a fun and lively celebration as we mark the end of Shabbat with food, crafts and entertainment

### **Mishpachat Shabbat: Back by popular Demand!**

Get a taste of the beauty of Shabbat with a 45 minute family service in the social hall which will feature a student led Tefilla (prayer) and interactive discussion on the weekly Torah portion. The service will be followed by a delicious Kiddush

**Shabbat, December, 2<sup>nd</sup> from 11:15-12:00 pm**

**Shabbat, February 17<sup>th</sup> from 11:15-12:00 pm**

**Shabbat, May 12<sup>th</sup> from 11:15-12:00 pm**

### Community Holiday Dinners

Our Chanukah and Purim dinners have been huge hits over the past few years. New to this year: Rosh Hashana Dinner!

<i>Wed. Sep. 20<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Rosh Hashana Dinner</i>	Service starts at 7 pm and dinner at 7:30 pm.
<i>Fri. Dec. 8<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Pre-Chanukah Dinner</i>	Service starts at 5:30pm and dinner at 6:15pm.
<i>Thursday, March 1</i>	<i>Themed Purim Dinner</i>	Dinner includes Megilla reading, authentic ethnic cuisine and entertainment for the entire family
<i>Friday, March 30<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Passover Seder</i>	Service starts at 7:30pm and Seder at 8:15pm.

### Aleph Champ Brunch & Award Ceremonies

We would like to invite our parents to join us two Aleph Champ Award Ceremonies, the first right after winter break, and the second at the end of year ceremony. At the ceremony, we give recognition to our students for what they have accomplished in their Hebrew reading, and present them with their hard earned Aleph Champ Medallions.

<i>Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup></i>	<b>Mid-year child/parent learning &amp; brunch</b>	Ceremony starts at 10:00 am.
<i>Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup></i>	<b>End of Year Celebration and Aleph Champ award ceremony</b>	Ceremony starts at 10:00 am.

### Special Programs

<i>Sun. Aug 27<sup>th</sup></i>	<b>School Orientation:</b>	Registration, orientation and exciting holiday fair for our students.
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<i>Thurs.-Fri, Sep. 21-22</i>	<b>Rosh Hashana:</b> <i>Children's program and family service</i>	Exciting holiday program for kids and interactive discussion for adults and older children on starting the year on a fresh note
<i>Sun. Sep. 24</i>	<b>Tashlich:</b> <i>High holiday ceremony</i>	Special trip to Lake Lynn at 10:45 am.
<i>Sat. Sep. 30</i>	<b>Yom Kippur:</b> <i>Children's program and Learner's Minyan</i>	Exciting holiday program for kids and easy-to-follow, explanatory service for adults and older children
<i>Sun. Oct 8<sup>th</sup>:</i>	<b>Sukkot:</b> <i>Special Sukkah Event</i>	Barbecue in the Sukka along with special Sukkot activities
<i>Thurs. Oct.12<sup>th</sup></i>	<b>Simchat Torah: Celebration:</b> <i>Dancing and Deli with the Torah</i>	The highlight of the entire month of Tishrei! Hakafot, dancing with the Torah, Kiddush and deli starting at 7:00 pm.
<i>Nov. 12-15</i>	<b>Thanksgiving Food Drive:</b>	Come help us donate cans and non-perishable food to families in need for Thanksgiving
<i>Wed. Dec. 13<sup>th</sup></i>	<b>Chanukah:</b> <i>Grand Menorah Lighting at Crabtree Valley Mall</i>	Lighting and celebration at 5:00 pm
<i>Wed. Jan. 31<sup>st</sup></i>	<b>Tu B'Shevat (New Year for Trees)</b>	Holiday craft and activities
<i>Wed. Feb 28<sup>th</sup></i>	<b>Purim:</b> <i>Annual Purim Costume Ball and Megillah Reading</i>	Come dressed up in your favorite costume as we celebrate Purim with entertainment, Megilla reading and food
<i>Wed. March 28<sup>th</sup></i>	<b>Pesach Event:</b>	School wide Model Seder
<i>Sun. April 22<sup>nd</sup></i>	<b>Yom Ha'atzmu'ut Event</b>	Our love for Israel is proudly displayed as we enjoy Israeli cuisine, take part in activities and discuss our connection to the Holy Land
<i>Wed. May 2<sup>nd</sup></i>	<b>Lag B'Omer Event</b>	Cookout and Fun in the park
<i>Sun. May 20<sup>th</sup></i>	<b>Shavout:</b> <i>Mega Ice Cream and Cheese Cake Party</i>	Reading of the Ten Commandments at 10:30am, followed by special Children's Service with Ice Cream and Cheese Cake!
<i>Sun. June 3<sup>rd</sup></i>	<b>End of Year Celebration and Award Ceremony</b>	9:30-10:00 Standard Classes 10:00-10:45 Assembly and Award Ceremony 10:45-11:30 End of Year Celebration