



THE WEITZMAN FAMILY RELIGIOUS SCHOOL
HANDBOOK

CONGREGATION SHEARITH ISRAEL

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WE ARE THE CHAMPIONS

THE WEITZMAN FAMILY RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CONGREGATION SHEARITH ISRAEL

The Weitzman Family Religious School at Congregation Shearith Israel is committed to providing a comprehensive and relevant education to all of our students. We strive to provide the following for our students:

- An environment infused with Jewish values so that they learn, by example, how to conduct themselves as a mensch, an ethical human being;
- A positive attitude towards lifelong Jewish learning;
- A sense of their roles and responsibilities in participating in our Jewish community through social action;
- The opportunity to explore the role of God, holiness and our Jewish ethical system in their lives;
- A comprehensive understanding of, and appreciation for, the observance of Shabbat, Jewish holidays and Jewish life-cycle events;
- A Hebrew program which focuses on gaining a working knowledge of Siddur and Bible vocabulary to build fluency and confidence as they participate in synagogue services;
- A fundamental knowledge of the Biblical narrative and an appreciation for textual interpretation and the relevance of the Torah to their own lives;
- The opportunity to develop a relationship to the land and the state of Israel;
- A sense of the scope and continuity of Jewish history;
- Jewish family education experiences that can help make Judaism an integral part of a family's life.

FROM THE EDUCATION DIRECTOR

Dear Parents,

I am delighted to welcome you and your children to The Weitzman family Religious School at Congregation Shearith Israel.

Each year, as I look ahead with high hopes for the coming academic year, I find myself filled with a sense that our school is a work of art in progress. Since one of our responsibilities is to prepare our children for Jewish life, we are in a position to create an atmosphere that is charged with excitement, stimulation to its student dynamics, and a year where we will focus on the Hebrew language - the sacred language, Jewish values and Jewish living - important aspects of a strong Jewish identity!

The Jewish education of our children is a shared responsibility of the Synagogue, the school, and the family. Together we forge the next links in the chain of our tradition and as partners we can achieve great success in this sacred task.

The following pages contain details regarding activities and policies we plan to implement in the school this coming year. Taking part in the World Wide initiative to be environmentally conscious, we have chosen to GO GREEN, too.

We will be sending emails about our upcoming events for all the classes, so please be vigilant and check our weekly email – *The Connection*- for program events. Many of those activities offer a variety of opportunities for parents to become involved in our programs and to take home some of the learning for further reinforcement. It is at home that the essential celebrations and acts of observance take place. I welcome your active and enthusiastic participation in all aspects of your child's Jewish Education.

The teachers and staff look forward to greeting you and your children on August 28th. Best wishes for a happy and healthy New Year.

Shanah Tovah,

Dina Eliezer
Director of Education

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HOURS

Monday: 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

Tuesday & Wednesday: 9:00 am – 7:00 pm (*after 5:00 pm, please call 214-384-2199*)

Friday: 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

Sunday: (*when school in session*) 8:30 am - 1:00 pm

Congregation Shearith Israel

9401 Douglas Ave.

Dallas, TX 75225

Ann & Nate Levine Academy (*our satellite location and site of Tuesday Religious School*)

18011 Hillcrest

Dallas, TX 75252

Did you know?

H. Robert Horvitz, 55, one of three winners of the Nobel Prize for medicine, received the award for work on how genes affect organs and the death of cells, shedding new light on the development of disease. Sydney Brenner, 75, founder of the Berkeley-based Molecular Sciences Institute, was also a winner. Jews have won 30 percent of the Nobel Prizes for medicine, more than Germany and Great Britain combined.

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Did you know?

Out of more than 720 Nobel prizes awarded since 1901, more than 130, or about 18 percent, have gone to Jewish laureates. Jews have won almost three times the number of awards won by either Germany or France (including their Jewish winners), and 10 times those won by Japan. Jews comprise only 0.3 to 0.5 percent of the world's population.

CLASS TIMES & ASSIGNMENTS

Prachim (Pre- Kindergarten), Kindergarten & 1st Grade - meets only *ONE* day a week:

Sunday - 9:15 am – 12:15 pm

2nd – 6th Grade: meets *TWO* days a week:

Sunday - 9:15 am- 12:15 pm AND

Tuesday – 4:30 – 6:30 pm (at our north satellite, The Ann & Nate Levine Academy) OR

Wednesday- 4:30 – 6:30 pm (at CSI Douglas)

7th Grade - meets only *ONE* day a week:

Sunday - 9:15 am – 12:15 pm

8th – 10th Grade - meets only *ONE* day a week:

Sunday - 10:15 am – 12:15 pm

Students are expected to be in their classrooms at 9:15 am, seated and prepared for homeroom activities. Tuesday and Wednesday classes start promptly at 4:30 pm in Beit Aryeh or the Fonberg Family Chapel.

Our faculty will strictly adhere to the starting times listed. Students will be given a snack during the class time.

Children who arrive significantly early should report to the Religious School Office so that we will be aware that they are in the building and may provide adequate supervision.

Did you know?

There are 14 Jewish Grand Slam champions who have won a combined 44 Grand Slam titles. And perhaps there are more.

INCLEMENT WEATHER

In case of inclement weather the Religious School will announce its closing through email.
IF THE DALLAS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT IS CLOSED, THEN WE ARE CLOSED.
Please listen or watch for up-to-date closings. We do not make individual calls.

EARLY DISMISSAL & LATE ARRIVAL

Early Dismissal - Requests for early dismissal should be kept to a minimum. A student will not be dismissed before the conclusion of classes unless the teacher receives a signed note to dismiss the student. Parents must come to the Front Desk on Sunday and Wednesday and the School Office on Tuesday to sign out their children. After the parent has a signed note, the parent may pick up the student from the classroom. Students are expected to make up any work missed because of the early dismissal.

Late Arrival - Students who are late for class must report directly to the Religious School Office to gain entry into the school wing. Students should be considerate when entering their classroom and careful not to disrupt the class that is in session.



Did you know?

The chess players of Jewish descent listed below held the world chess championship approximately 55% of the time since its inception in 1886:

Wilhelm Steinitz (1886-1894)

Emanuel Lasker (1894-1921)

Mikhail Botvinnik (1948-1957, 1958-1960, 1961-1963)

Vasily Smyslov 1 (1957-1958)

Mikhail Tal (1960-1961)

Robert (Bobby) Fischer 2 (1972-1975)

Garry Kasparov 3 (1985-1993)

JEWISH EDUCATION IS A PARTNERSHIP

Let's work together!!

Effective education is a partnership between the school, the home and the student. A Jewish school can teach Judaism to children, but cannot develop a committed Jew without the involvement of the parents and family. The following is a list of areas in which parental support is essential and student responsibility is crucial.

Parent's Responsibilities Here are some important ways parents can help:

1. Show your child that his/her Jewish education is high on your list of priorities.
2. Show respect for our school and its teachers.
3. Make sure your child attends regularly and on time.
4. Encourage courteous, cooperative classroom behavior.
5. Communicate with teachers when an issue in your family occurs of which we should be aware.
6. See that your child practices his/her Hebrew at home and check the homework they may have.
7. Help your child remember to bring his/her books to class.
8. Attend family programs and open school days.
9. Accompany your child to Shabbat Youth Services on a regular basis.
10. Parents will be receiving a weekly Newsletter via email. This newsletter will provide sites you can find on the internet to enrich your knowledge of classroom studies. This could assist you to show serious interest in what your child is learning: ask questions on the way home, hold discussions at the family table, try to connect learning with doing in the home etc.
11. Visit the school or volunteer in our many activities.

Student's Responsibilities Here are some important ways students can help:

1. Make sure you attend class regularly and make up assignments you may have missed if you are absent.
2. Be serious about learning, which includes:
 - a) Coming prepared with books and supplies.
 - b) Arrive to class on time.
 - c) Completing all assignments on time; and
 - d) Participating actively in class.
3. Behave appropriately, which includes:
 - a) Respecting the dignity of teachers and other students.
 - b) Respecting Synagogue property and school materials (families are financially liable for damage caused by their students).
4. Dress appropriately which includes:
 - a) All boys must wear a kippah when in the building.
 - b) No hats or coats should be worn during class or during services.
 - c) Girls should dress appropriately for school setting.

School's Responsibilities Harmony in our Relationship together!

1. We will provide knowledgeable and dedicated teachers and staff committed to giving superb Jewish education and being role models for Jewish life.
2. We will provide sufficient instructional support materials.
3. We will provide a safe and pleasant environment conducive to enhanced learning and self-esteem of students.
4. We will provide for the individual needs of students.
5. We will maintain ongoing communication through our teachers monthly email newsletter.

Do you always have to be first to be a champion?

No. If a person exceeds his expectations in a competition such that he feels proud of his performance and accomplishment, then he will feel like a champion, even though he may not have won the competition.

THE RELIGIOUS SCHOOL BOARD (as of 8-4-11)

Jake Pollack – Chairperson

Michelle Caplan

Larry Goldsticker

Jeffrey Kaplan

Angela Klein

Sharon Levin

Shari London

Gail Mizrahi

Maxine Pomerantz

Sheri Rosen

Melissa Steiner

1. The Chairperson of the Religious School Board will be appointed by the president of the synagogue.
2. The Chairperson will appoint members to the Religious School Board. You must be a member of the synagogue to be on the School Board.
3. The Rabbis, Cantor, Education Director, and Vice President of Education shall be ex-officio, non-voting members of the School Board.
4. The Board will hold one meeting a month during the school year.
5. Should you have comments or questions or wish to participate, please contact Jake Pollack at Jake@kpllp.com.

The Religious School Board has approved the following policies:

Absences:

Every student is required to attend 85% of Religious School classes. If your child has missed more than that, he/she will be required to make up an equivalent amount of work in order to receive credit for class work. The nature and extent of makeup work to be performed will be determined at the discretion of the Education Director. Your child's classroom teacher and the school office staff will be responsible for keeping a record of your child's attendance.

Tardiness and Early Departure:

Three (3) instances of tardiness and/or early departures will equal one (1) absence. Tardiness occurs when your child arrives at school more than fifteen (15) after the start of the school day. An early departure occurs when your child leaves their classroom more than fifteen (15) minutes prior to end of class. Your child's classroom teacher and school office staff will be responsible for keeping a record of your child's attendance.

Electronic Devices:

Electronic devices may not be used in the classroom without the expressed permission of the teacher prior to class. Students who are found using any electronic devices will be asked to put the item away. Failure to do so will result in the item being confiscated. It will only be returned to the student's parent.

Electronic devices are devices for the electronic transmission, recording, storage or replaying of audio or video material include but are not limited to: cell phones, tape recorders, CD players, I-pods, GameBoys, Walkman, MP3 players, beepers, radios, boom boxes, laptop computers, PDA's, DVD players, television, cameras, laser pointers, walkie-talkies, and technologies not yet invented.

Telephone Calls

Parents are requested not to call or text students during school hours. Students are not allowed to use the telephone or cell phone during class time except for an unusual circumstance. Messages that are urgent will be delivered promptly by our office staff. However, parents must realize that a request to deliver a message to their child places a burden upon the school office and impairs the efficient operation of the school. Please plan your arrangements in advance whenever possible and inform your children before they come to school.

Teachers will call parents to arrange conferences or to inquire about a child because of absence, etc. Parents may do the same. Teachers will return telephone calls made to them by parents as quickly as possible. We must ask parents to AVOID telephoning teachers at their homes.

Do you have to compete to be a champion?

Not necessarily. To become the champion, you must win an organized competition, but to be a champion, you simply have to feel proud of your achievement.

KESHER PROGRAM

Our Keshet Program helps to provide a quality Jewish education and Jewish community experience for students with Special Needs and their families.

For more information about the program, please contact Naomi Goldberg, Keshet Coordinator, at keshet@shearith.org

YOUR CHILDREN'S HEALTH AND SAFETY

We are naturally concerned with the health and safety of every child in our Religious School. For the safety of our students, the doors to the school wing are closed during class time. Parents should wait in the school lobby to pick up their children after school. The doors to the school wing will be open just before the conclusion of the school day.

All parents and children entering and leaving the school should do so ONLY by way of the Main Entrance, unless announced otherwise.

CARPOOL

SUNDAYS

Students in Grades Prachim (Pre-K) – 2:

ALL students will be picked up by a related adult† in the classroom. If you would like an older sibling to bring the child(ren) to carpool, please send a signed note to the Religious School office, prior to 11:00 a.m., giving permission.

Students in Grades 3-10:

ALL students will be dismissed to the Barnett Grand Entry Plaza*. Students will be monitored by teachers and staff and will not be allowed to leave the plaza unattended. Students will be released to a related adult's car at the main entrance curb. No lists will be taken; students will be guided to cars as they approach. We welcome you to walk-in and pick up your child in the same area.

On bad weather days (rain or hazardous weather conditions), ALL students will be waiting in the Ann & Nate Levine Community Court for pick-up. There will be NO carpool. DO NOT text your child(ren) to leave the building; students will not be released except to a related adult who walks into the building.**

TUESDAYS

ALL students will be dismissed to the main entrance of the Ann & Nate Levine Academy. Students will be released to a related adult's car at the main entrance curb. No lists will be taken; students will be guided to cars as they approach. We welcome you to walk-in and pick up your child in the same area.

On bad weather days (rain or hazardous weather conditions), ALL students will be waiting inside Ann & Nate Levine Academy for pick-up. There will be NO carpool. DO NOT text your child(ren) to leave the building; students will not be released except to a related adult who walks into the building.

WEDNESDAYS

ALL students will be dismissed to the Barnett Grand Entry Plaza*. Students will be monitored by teachers and staff and will not be allowed to leave the plaza unattended. Students will be released to a related adult's car at the main entrance curb. No lists will be taken; students will be guided to cars as they approach. We welcome you to walk-in and pick up your child in the same area.

On bad weather days (rain or hazardous weather conditions), ALL students will be waiting in the Ann & Nate Levine Community Court for pick-up. There will be NO carpool. DO NOT text your child(ren) to leave the building; students will not be released except to a related adult who walks into the building.**

† A "related adult" includes an older sibling who regularly drives his/her younger sibling(s) to and from religious school.

** The Barnett Grand Entry Plaza is the large area outside of the Main (North) Entrance of Congregation Shearith Israel*

*** The Ann & Nate Levine Community Court is the foyer just inside the Main (North) Entrance of Congregation Shearith Israel*

SAFETY IN THE PARKING LOT

Drop-off: If you are planning to drop your child off you must enter the parking lot using the Douglas Road entrance. Proceed through the parking lot to the Barnett Family Grand Entry Plaza. You can then exit the parking lot using the Douglas Road exit.

Pick Up: Parents are requested to park their cars in legally marked spots on the west side (facing the tollway) of the building and come into the building using the Barnett doors to meet their children.

Any cars that are stopped or parked illegally are subject to ticketing. We ask your cooperation as we implement this new policy. Please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Safety for our students continues to be a top priority with us. That's why we are once again imploring parents to observe the rules of courtesy involving dropping off and picking up children at the Religious School.

When Religious School is in session, we ask that parents park in the synagogue lot and walk their children to the door of the school.

It is very important, for the safety of our children and of others who come to our synagogue, that vehicles are parked in the synagogue lot while Religious School is in session. Even the farthest areas of the parking lot are no more than a minute's walk from the Religious School entrance. Please, PLEASE heed the rules of safety and common sense and DO NOT block traffic lanes in the lot! If anyone has a suggestion on how to help spread this message, kindly contact the Religious School office.

One more note on the parking issue: Parents, grandparents and friends of our Religious School students will benefit greatly from not only parking and walking their children to the door, but by entering the building and strolling down the hallway. Look at the bulletin boards. See what the students are doing! And, on Sunday mornings, there may be many activities of interest to you. So relax. Don't be in such a rush. You'll do yourself a favor, but most of all, you'll help keep our Religious School students safe.

FIRE & TORNADO DRILLS

Fire and tornado drills will be held regularly. Students are instructed in the proper evacuation procedures and under the guidance of their teachers are led to appropriate assembly points until the signal to re-enter the building is given. Fire Drills are conducted with the knowledge and cooperation of the Dallas Fire Department.

DRESS CODE

Parents should keep in mind that classes meet in a religious institution and students should be dressed appropriately. An important consideration is that students wear clean, comfortable clothes. Boys are required to wear Kippot in the Synagogue building. Baseball caps and hats are not considered appropriate head coverings and may not be worn during school activities. Receptacles for Kippot are located at the entrances to the building. For Shabbat or religious services students are expected to wear "special" clothing (modestly appropriate for synagogue) – to add to the spirit of the day.

PREPARATION FOR CLASS

Students should come to Religious School prepared to work. The SISTERhood will provide backpacks in order to carry textbooks and notebooks. The Weitzman Family Religious School will, of course, provide all necessary texts and materials. Parents will be charged for books showing excessive wear and for lost books. In order to relieve the burden of carrying heavy books, most of the books will be kept in class for student's convenience.

What is a procedure to set a championship goal?

1. Pick an area /s in which to succeed
 - o Hebrew reading
 - o Leading parts of a service
 - o Master the holidays and history facts
2. Consider some specific activities in which you would like to be real good at, the best, or number one.
3. Select some specific achievement related to those activities that would make you feel great to accomplish.

Upon achieving that goal, you will feel like a champion.

BOOKS & BOOK FEES

The Weitzman Family Religious School feels the need to provide each student with their own copies of books so that they will feel ownership of the materials taught in Religious School.

The registration & supply fee (\$85 per student) that was due along with Religious School tuition covers the cost of the first set of books per student, teacher guides as well as other materials used in the classroom. Should a copy of the book(s) that you are receiving need to be replaced because of loss or damage caused by the student, you will be charged for the cost of replacing the book(s).

TZEDAKAH

Money for Tzedakah will be collected during each class session. This is an important mitzvah and should be encouraged. Any amount, from a few pennies on up fulfills this mitzvah. After we have collected a certain amount of money, we will send it to various needy organizations. If you have an organization in mind that could benefit from our contribution, please contact Dina Eliezer, the Education Director.

HOMEWORK

Specific homework assignments are left to the discretion of our teachers. Students' schedules and other responsibilities are always taken into consideration. When given, the homework assignments are used to reinforce previously learned material and to give students a chance to respond creatively. It would be in your child's best interest to review Hebrew reading.

MUSIC

We believe that Jewish Music is an integral part of a well rounded religious school education and we are pleased that we are able to offer our students the experience on a regular basis.

Students in Prachim (Pre-Kindergarten) – 6th grade have music once a week. The curriculum of our music program is well rounded and includes holiday songs and prayers which are learned during music period

KASHRUT & SNACK POLICY

1. All food brought into the school must be either dairy or parve and nut-free.
2. All foods brought into any classroom must be purchased from an approved bakery or have “O, U, D, K, or KP which is the seal of Rabbinic supervision on the package.
3. No utensils from the school kitchen may be used in any classroom.
4. No utensils may be brought into any classroom from home.
5. No food cooked or prepared at home (whether or not you keep Kosher) can be brought into any classroom.
6. Please – if you have any questions at all contact the School Office or the Rabbi.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES

Recent research has shown that a child’s educational experience is enhanced when the child’s family is actively involved in the formal activities of the school. With that in mind, a number of family activities will be scheduled in the school year. You will be informed of these events through the weekly Weitzman Family Religious School email. You can also check the calendar for more information.

YOUTH GROUPS

There are two specific Synagogue Youth Groups available for our students: These programs each have their own Leader who runs the programs under the direction of the Associate Rabbi and are overseen by our Youth Commission.

- 5th – 8th graders – Kadima -
- 9th - 12th graders – USY -

The activities for Kadima and USY are planned by advisors that are under the supervision of Dina Eliezer.

DISCIPLINE

The Discipline Policy of the Weitzman Family Religious School is as follows:

- 1) The student should first receive 2 warnings per day by teacher
- 2) When the 3rd warning (in the same day) occurs, the teacher will send the student to Leah Singleton's office
- 3) If the behavior continues after the student has returned to class, the teacher will send the student to Dina Eliezer.
- 4) At this time, a phone call will be made to the parent.

A written report should be made by the teacher describing the event and the teacher should make a phone call to the parent within 24 hours.

In the case of violence:

The student will IMMEDIATELY be sent to Leah Singleton's office. A phone call will be made home. The student(s) will not be allowed to return to class until a meeting with a parent and Dina Eliezer has occurred.

REPORTING STUDENTS PROGRESS

The Weitzman Family Religious School provides a written progress report two times a year for each student. These reports combine an objective evaluation and a subjective description of each student's progress. The first report cards will be mailed home after the conclusion of the fall semester. The second report card will be mailed home after the conclusion of the school year.

At any time during the year a teacher may decide to be in touch with the parents to discuss the child's progress during the year, however, parents are encouraged to do the same if they feel the need to. Teachers and parents are encouraged to be in communication with each other whenever necessary.

Learning Hebrew reading is a process. Although understanding the meaning of each word is an important component of learning how to read, in a supplementary Hebrew school, reading drills are practiced more, and are imperative to learning how to read Hebrew. Parents are strongly encouraged to reinforce this practice at home.

A student follows a process by starting to learn to read the letters, followed by learning the vowels, reading syllables, decoding and then actually reading Hebrew. Each student will reach his own potential of reading ability at different times according to his/her own pace.

If you worry that your child is having a problem, please contact Dina Eliezer, the Education Director, who will take steps to evaluate your child. The office phone number is 214-939-7316.

Reading Assessment Chart

The grade each student receives reflects the students' achievement that has been made in reading at their specific grade level according to the goals that are indicated in the chart below:

<u>SKILL</u>	Aleph	Bet	Gimel	Dalet	Hay	Vav
Knows the names of the Hebrew letters	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Knows the sounds of the Hebrew letters in isolation (in print)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Knows the sounds of all Hebrew vowels in isolation		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Can sound out one syllable at a time easily		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Can sound out two-syllable words		❖	✓	✓	✓	✓
Can sound out three (or more) syllable words and then blend the whole word together		❖	❖	✓	✓	✓
Can read with ease, sentences of familiar prayers			❖	✓	✓	✓
Can sound out sentences of unfamiliar prayers					✓	✓

❖ - 2nd Marking Period

Does the Weitzman Family Religious School need champions?

Yes. The Weitzman Family Religious School needs **you** to become a champion.

GRADE LEVEL AND SCHOOL WIDE FAMILY PROGRAMS

Our Religious school has many wonderful programs planned for the coming year!

One of these programs is the "Family Education". Family education programs are unique opportunities for parents and their children to learn together and experience Jewish learning through various activities. We will also be having one school –wide Shabbaton. Please check the calendar for all dates.

Weitzman Family Religious School Calendar 2011-2012

28 WFRS Welcome Back Day
9:15 – 11:15 am
30 1st Day RS North (2-6 gd)
31 1st Day RS South (2-6 gd)

August 2011						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
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September 2011						
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11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
* 25	26	27	28	29	30	

4 NO RS & HS – Labor Day
5 Labor Day
6/7 RS (2-6 gd)
25 K Family Ed. Program
27/28 NO RS – Rosh Hashanah
29/30 Rosh Hashanah

7/8 Kol Nidre & Yom Kippur
9 NO RS – Yom Kippur
11/12 NO RS – Sukkot
13/14 Sukkot
16 Sukkah Visitation
18/19 NO RS – Shemini Atzeret
20/21 Shemini Atzeret & Simchat Torah
30 1st Gd. Family Ed. Program

October 2011						
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November 2011						
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6	7	8	9	10	11	12
* 13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

6 NO RS & HS – Yom Limud
13 2nd Gd. Family Ed. Program
20 NO RS & HS – Truck Time
22/23 NO RS – Thanksgiving Break
24 Thanksgiving
27 NO RS – Thanksgiving Break

11 Chanukah Assembly
18-28 NO RS & HS – Winter Break
21-28 Chanukah

December 2011						
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1 NO RS – Winter Break
3/4 RS Resumes (2-6 gd)
8 4th Gd. Family Ed. Program
15 NO RS – MLK Jr. Day
16 MLK Jr. Day

3 2nd Grade Service & Dinner
8 Tu B'Shevat
19 NO RS & HS – President's Weekend
20 President's Day
26 3rd Gd. Family Ed. Program

February 2012						
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3 4th Gd. Havdallah Program
8 Purim
11-18 NO RS & HS – Spring Break
25 3rd Gd. Pictures & Consecration Rehearsal
30 3rd Gd Consecration & Dinner

1 5th Gd. Model Seder
6-14 Passover
8, 10 & 11 NO RS – Passover
25 Yom Hazikaron
25 Yom HaAtzmaut
25 K & 1 Zimriyanot (Song Fest)

April 2012						
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May 2012						
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10 Lag B'Omer
11 Confirmation Service & Dinner
13 NO RS & HS – Mother's Day
27-28 Shavuot
28 Memorial Day

* dates subject to change

