



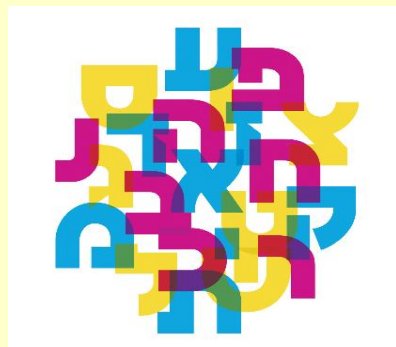
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# Parent-Student Handbook 2018-19

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## Welcome to Chabad Hebrew School

We are pleased that you have chosen our school for your child's supplementary Jewish education. We believe that the Hebrew School experience should be fun, inspiring, and provide warm memories for a lifetime. Your child should gain a basic understanding of Jewish life and traditions and a strong grasp of the Hebrew language. Most important, we hope to instill in your child a love of Judaism and of Israel, a pride in being Jewish, and a commitment to a Jewish life.



## Hebrew School Hours and Locations:

Sundays mornings from 10:00 am until  
12:00 pm

Chabad Jewish Discovery Center, 1578  
Bloomingdale Ave Valrico FL 33596

## Drop Off and Pick Up:

The school will be open for students ten minutes prior to the beginning of class. Children are not to be dropped off before this time. We ask parents to be sensitive to the needs of our staff and arrive promptly for pickup

A teacher will take each child from the building to the car. Please do not enter the building while classes are in session, as it disrupts the lesson.

## Parent/School Communication

Communication between parents and staff is very important and will help make the Hebrew School experience more pleasant for your child. Our primary mode of communication is through email. In it we will include a summary of what the children learned and/or any upcoming events. Our teachers are always available to discuss any concerns you may have with your child's progress. If you would like to speak to a teacher, please call the office and leave a message for her/him to return your call.

## Behavior Expectation:

Chabad Hebrew School strives to create an atmosphere that reflects our traditional Jewish values. Our students understand that respect for teachers, for each other, and for all school property, is essential for a successful learning environment. We expect each student to treat fellow students and teachers with courtesy. We expect all rules and regulations for student behavior to be complied with in class and during school events. We do not allow loud, abusive, or demeaning language. We expect all students to act responsibly and with caution, exercising special care in the parking lot.

## Books and Supplies

All textbooks and workbooks will be provided by the school at the beginning of the year. All books are to be treated with respect. If your child loses a book, you will be charged for a new one. All boys should wear a kippah and tzitzit during Hebrew school hours. You may bring your own, or use what we provide.

Regular school attendance is crucial in accomplishing the goals of our educational program. There is a direct correlation between attendance records and achievement. When a child comes late or leaves early, the entire class is disrupted and precious time is wasted.

When your child is absent, he/she is responsible to find out what was learned on that day. Feel free to call the office and leave a message for a teacher to call you back. Please notify the office if your child will be absent for any length of time due to illness or vacation. Arrangements will be made for your child to obtain the material covered in class as well as any homework assignment.

### Illness:

Please notify us in case of contagious disease so that we may notify the parents of other children in the class. Also be sure to let us know of any changes in your child’s medical condition during the year. Each classroom has a first aid kit and minor injuries will be attended to at the school.

In the event of an emergency, the parents will be contacted. If either the parents or the emergency contact listed on the medical form cannot be contacted, the child will be taken to the hospital.

## Parents Responsibilities

1. **Bringing and picking up your child on time**
2. **Following your child’s progress through contact with his/her teachers**
3. **Being supportive of the objectives of Chabad Hebrew School and its staff**
4. **Taking an active part in your child’s Jewish education, whenever possible.**
5. **Read e-mails sent by CHS or Tzippy**

## Hebrew School Responsibilities

**You can expect the school to fulfill the following:**

1. **Provide a positive, warm environment for your child**
2. **Give your child a viable knowledge of Hebrew reading, Prayers, Jewish History, Customs, Torah, Israel, and ethics.**
3. **Keep you informed of your child’s progress and class activities**
4. **Provide your child with knowledgeable teachers who are dedicated to providing your child with quality Jewish education and values.**
5. **Provide your family with opportunities to learn and experience Jewish life.**

## Telephone Messages

If for any reason you need to send a message to your child or any staff member during school hours please call our office. If the phone is not answered during school hours, please remember that the message may not be picked up until later that evening. In case of emergency, please call Tzippy or Rabbi Mendel’s Cellphone.

(Phone numbers on the bottom)

## Classroom Visitation:

Parents wishing to visit a child’s classroom may do so upon receiving permission from the principal. Teachers are not available to converse with parents while the class is in progress, but are happy to arrange an appointment or telephone conference with you. Students who wish to bring a guest to school must obtain permission from the principal.

## Cellphone Policy:

Students should not bring cellphones (or any electronics) to Hebrew School as it is a major distraction to the students and teacher. If a child comes with a cellphone we will hold on to it for the duration of the class and return it by dismissal. Thanks for your understanding!

## Special Family Events

- **September 16:**  
Orientation and Ckids Sukkot Discovery Lav
- **October 21:**  
Ckids Ultimate Birthday Bash
- **December 2:**  
Ckids Macabee Mackerspace
- **January 11:**  
HS Shabbat Dinner
- **January 20**  
CKids Goodness Grows
- **February 24:**  
Ckids You Scribe
- **March 17:**  
CKids Epic Purim Rap
- **April 14:**  
Ckids Pesach Experience
- **May 19:**  
End of year event
- **May 23:**  
Ckids Parade a thon

**WE ECNOURAGE PARENTS AND SIBLINGS TO JOIN US IN ALL SPECIAL EVENTS!**

## Important Phone numbers and contacts:

- Chabad Office: 813 571-8100
- Tzippy’s cell: 718 744-4778
- Rabbi Mendel’s Cell: 917 755-4920
- Tzippy’s email:  
Tzippy@Jewishbrandon.com