

Congregation Ahavas Achim Hebrew School

Beit Sefer 5770

2009-2010 School Year

Classes (teachers to be announced)

Remember – attendance is critical to your children’s engagement, learning, and sense of community!

All of our classes include learning (at different levels) about Jewish holidays, Jewish values, and both religious and cultural life. Jewish values infuse all of these classes. In between Jewish Life and Hebrew classes, our students come together for “Kehillah (Community) Time,” where we engage in song, prayer, and community building activities. Our Hebrew curriculum focuses on decoding, being able to fluidly read through prayers and other Hebrew language materials. While we do not focus on direct comprehension, we do teach themes and ideas from each prayer.

Sunday Jewish Life Classes:	Specific elements of curriculum
Shorashim (Roots; K-1) Shorashim Ketanim (Kindergarten) Shorashim Gedolim (1 st grade)	Bible stories, Holidays (esp. Shabbat & Tu B'Shevat), Life Cycle (esp. Naming and B'nai Mitzvah), Jewish values (Menschlichkeit & Talmud Torah)
Nitzanim (Sprouts; 2-3) Nitzanim Ketanim (2 nd grade) Nitzanim Gedolim (3 rd grade)	Holidays (esp. Passover & Simchat Torah), Life Cycle, Jewish Values (Jewish Time & Prayer Traditions),
Ilanot (Trees; 4-5) Ilanot Ketanim (4 th grade) Ilanot Gedolim (5 th grade)	Holidays (focus on covenantal relationships), Jewish Values (Jewish Spaces, Israel, Kashrut)
Perachim (Flowers; 6-7) Perachim Ketanim (6 th grade) Perachim Gedolim (BMitzvah Year)	Holidays, Life Cycle (esp. B'nai Mitzvah & Death/Mourning), Jewish Values (esp. Tikkun Olam, Talmud Torah & Leadership)
Sunday Hebrew Classes (Grade):	
Aleph (K-1)	Aleph-bet recognition, language and song by sound
Bet (2)	Aleph-bet and vowel decoding, basic words
Gimmel (3)	Hineni 1 – Prayers, prayer packets
Dalet (4)	Hineni 2 – Prayers, prayer packets
Hey (5)	Hineni 3 – Prayers, prayer packets
Vav (6)	Prayerbook – Reading and Chanting
Zayin (7)	Prayerbook – Torah Service and putting it together
Tuesday (6th and 7th grades)	
Korim (Readers; 6)	Reading & understanding Torah & Haftarah (English)
Manhigim (Leaders; 7)	Chanting Torah, BMitzvah preparation