

That was old school



THIS IS HEBREW HIGH SCHOOL



HEBREW HIGH FALL 2011

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Congregation Beth David Hebrew High in partnership with Congregation Sinai

What are you **really** doing on Tuesday nights?
Here's the best excuse for getting out of chores,
homework, and babysitting: Hebrew High!

Did you know that more than 95 Jewish teens from all over Silicon Valley gather weekly to learn and hang out?

Hot Topics, Kosher Sex and So Much More, Living a Jewish Life As An Adult, and Jewish Civics Initiative are just a few of the classes taught by dynamic educators.

We promise: no homework, no grades, no stress.

SAVE THE DATE: Hebrew High begins with the first night of class on Tuesday, October 12th

Take a look at what Hebrew High has to offer and, no matter if you are attending to re-connect with friends you don't normally see, expand your Jewish knowledge, please your grandparents, meet new Jewish teens, get a good laugh or enjoy licorice, Oreos and other treats at break, you won't regret your decision to join in this incredible Jewish educational experience.

Hebrew High truly is YOUR school.

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WHAT MAKES A GOOD TEACHER? with Irene Swedroe

How can I be a good madrich(a)? This class is a training and information seminar for those Hebrew High students who have been asked to be regular religious school aides or shadows (aides for the learning needs students). The class will focus on establishing learning behavior, classroom management strategies and confidentiality contracts between the classroom teacher and the aide/shadow. The class will cover the following topics: What is the meaning of madrichim? What are the tools needed to be a good madrich(a)? There will be sessions that cover disability awareness and simulation exercises. Discussions on how to tutor Hebrew one-on-one, designing your own lesson and sharing of experiences with each other will also be part of this class. Class will meet at 6 p.m. All new madrichim are required to take this course. Second and third year madrichim must only come to class the last Tuesday of the month. All grades welcome.

CORE CLASSES:

8th Grade: HOT TOPICS with Irene Swedroe

An examination and discussion class of current topics in social, religious, and individual life from a Jewish perspective. This class will include explorations of drinking and drugs; bullying; cheating and dishonesty; body piercing and tattooing; dating; and, why God lets bad things happen.

9th Grade: MEDIA MIDRASH with Rabbi Philip Ohriner

Midrash is one way we as Jews understand the Torah. It fills in spaces left in the biblical text, adds rich new layers of meaning, and elaborates on confusing or obscure details, providing us with a rich tradition of interpretation. Throughout the year, we will gain an understanding of how midrash functions by utilizing traditional Jewish sources in tandem with movies, art, drama, and other media. At the end of the course, we will take the time to create our own midrashim.

10th Grade: KOSHER SEX AND MORE...

with Dr. Susan Greenberg Englander, Dr. Jeff Englander and Monique Alexander
This class will have two areas of focus. The first will explore what Judaism has to say about the "who, what, where, when, and why" of sexuality. We will discuss a variety of topics such as sexual attraction, sex within marriage, non-marital sex, sexually transmitted diseases, sexual behaviors, and Jewish views on body image. The second will look at what Judaism has to say about healthy relationships. We will look at the components of friendships, dating relationships and family relationships and learn about the dynamics of both healthy and abusive relationships. During certain lessons the class will be divided according to gender.

11th Grade: OUR ISRAEL with Elliot Fine

This course will introduce students to Israel as it exists today. By looking at Israeli music, history, news media, politics, films, literature, and technology we will explore Israel's culture and current events. Students will have the opportunity to meet first-hand young Israelis living in the Bay Area and discuss the role Israel plays in our lives and how we can relate to Israel as a modern society. In the spring you will learn tools and skills so you can properly advocate for Israel on college campuses to help prepare you for university life.

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12th Grade:

LIVING A JEWISH LIFE AS AN ADULT with Rabbi Pressman

All 12th graders are asked to take this course. Students and Rabbi Pressman explore and discuss the big ideas of Judaism: G-d, prayer, ethics and the meaning of life. This class will help you prepare for issues and challenges you will be faced with after high school.

ELECTIVES:

BEGINNING HEBREW with Hemy Beer

MIND, BODY AND SOUL OF THE ISRAELI DEFENSE FORCES

with Elliot Fine

In this course the students will be given a first hand look at one of the most sophisticated and diverse militaries in the modern world. Throughout the semester the class will study the ethics, tactics, technologies and operations of the IDF. With several guest speakers ranging from female ex-IDF soldiers to current Special Forces Officers, this class will provide students with the most intimate understanding of the IDF and its many conflicts. All grades welcome.



JEWISH COOKIN' with Kate Mueller, Education Director, at Congregation Sinai

In this class we will explore Judaism's approach to food while learning how to prepare some traditional Jewish dishes from around the world. With dishes such as falafel, rugelach, matzah ball soup, latkes and many others, this class is sure to nourish more than just your soul! There is a \$25 fee for additional program expenses. All grades welcome.

JEWGLE with Rabbi Daniel Pressman and Rabbi Josh Berkenwald are more knowledgeable than Google! At least when it comes to questions about Judaism. Find out the answers to all of your burning questions about Jewish ethics, thought, history, culture....Jewgle it, with the Rabbi's. All grades welcome.

JEWISH MYSTERY THEATRE with Norm Abramovitz

Learn about Jewish issues, values and morals through film. All grades welcome. All grades welcome.

NU'S ABOUT JEWS NU? with Charlie Marr

Who's in the news this week? Is he or she Jewish? Find out in this class that will look at the weekly news for both light and serious stories. Subjects will include entertainment, politics, technology, odd stories, and more. In this class you will learn the truth behind the headlines and the background information which will help you to understand what is going on in the world today and how it affects you as a Jewish teenager. All grades welcome.

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WHAT WE DO AND WHY with Rabbi Philip Ohriner

Why do we cover the challah? Can I use my porch for my sukkah? On which arm do I wear my tefillin? If you've ever wondered about questions like these then come join Rabbi Ohriner as we explore the development of Jewish practice. The class will investigate the origins of some of our most widely practiced mitzvot and look at how the practice of these commandments has developed throughout history. Grades 10-12.

MARCH OF THE LIVING with Jill Pottel

This class is focused on Jewish life in Europe leading up to World War II and the Holocaust, the Holocaust itself, and life after the war and the establishment of Israel. This class is designed to prepare you to take the March of the Living journey. The March of the Living brings Jewish teens from all over the world to Poland on Yom Hashoah, Holocaust Memorial Day, to march from Auschwitz to Birkenau, the largest concentration camp complex built during World War II, and then to Israel to observe Yom HaZikaron, Israel Memorial Day, and Yom Ha'Atzmaut, Israel Independence Day. The goal of the March of the Living is for teens to learn the lessons of the Holocaust and to lead the Jewish people into the future vowing Never Again. This class is a required for teens participating on the March of the Living. Grades 10-12.

HEBREW HIGH fall classes

registration form

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Grade _____

Student E-mail _____

Parent E-mail _____

Student Cell Phone _____

Please put 1 for first choice, 2 for second choice, 3 for third choice.

- ___ BEGINNING HEBREW
- ___ MIND, BODY AND SOUL OF THE IDF
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- ___ JEWGLE
- ___ JEWISH MYSTERY THEATRE
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Classes will be filled
on a first come first
serve basis.**