

Syracuse Hebrew Day School Newsletter #23



SYRACUSE
Hebrew Day School
Educating the whole child - mind, heart & soul.

LOOKING AHEAD

Hi, Parents,

Today is our last day of school until further notice.

Our teachers are ready to get started with online learning and will continue to learn and improve their skills as they teach. They have already sent home with your children many of the materials needed for learning at home. The rest will go home today.

The classroom teachers are meeting now. I asked them to create a schedule so that they don't try to engage in synchronous learning with the same students at the same time. Please be patient if there are glitches as we ramp up.

Mel and I will do our business remotely. We will have our school credit cards, etc., with us so if teachers need to order anything, I will approve it via email then Mel will order it and ship it to whoever ordered it.

The online iReady reading and mathematics materials are excellent. The teachers are excited about the quantity and quality of content. You might want to stock up on ink cartridges and paper for your home printers, especially for Kindergarten, as there are worksheets for the children to use as they progress. If you do not have access to a printer, let your teacher know. It will not be held against your child.

The school musical is on hold--- postponed with the hope that we will be able to perform it later in the spring. As part of their at-home learning, the performers are expected to practice. I asked Ms. Rahrle-White to formulate an email which appears below.

As to when school will reopen, it is not possible to know. It could be a week, a month or longer. We will take it week to week, day to day, as we did with the decision to close. With any luck, we will back together sooner rather than later.

Thank you for your patience throughout this decision-making. I feel a sense of resolve that this is best for our school and the entire CNY community. That was validated this morning when the president of Upstate was on the radio saying, "All of the precautions being taken in CNY are not an overreaction."

Thanks, too, to Board President Jay Sinclair for his outstanding leadership throughout the process. I am grateful for all of his work and support. We are truly fortunate to have him at the helm. I also commend our staff and faculty for stepping up in extraordinary fashion. It is not an exaggeration to say that they are the finest and most dedicated professionals anywhere. The way that they support our students and each other is inspiring.

My cell number is 315-842-9728. Call, text or email me whenever you need me. Please avoid texting early in the morning, though, unless it is urgent in which case you should contact me at any time.

I will announce the plan to the students at 11a.

If I've forgotten anything, please be patient if I email again soon.

Laura

*****The MOST Science Fair for our 5th and 6th graders held at OCC will either be postponed or virtual presentations will take place. Teachers will reach out to parents when we know more details.**

Email from Ms. Rahrle-White:

Good Morning Parents,

As you know by now the show has been postponed. Now we are facing the question... **How do we keep the show alive?**

In the theater world it is a great challenge to pick back up a postponed show. In our lives we all have started a project, only to take a break. When you come back to that project, think about how long it takes to get back into the groove, especially when it is something you're not a master of. This is what we are facing now that the show has been postponed.

During break, students need to remain familiar with the music and practicing their lines. The expectation is to practice every day, one day singing through the music and practicing choreography, and the next day running lines with a parent.

It is critical that the students are practicing with a parent during this time. By now the students know their lines, just rehearsing them in their heads isn't enough. They need to be engaging those lines with another 'actor' *aka parent*.

Ideally, once school is back in session we will have a long Sunday dress rehearsal where we have 4-6 for 8 hours, and K-3 for 4 hours. This will give us the jump-start back into the show and to re-teach anything the students may have forgotten. The during the week, we would rehearse M-W and have a performances at the end of the week.

None of this is ideal of course. But as a community I hope we can come together to preserve all the hard work your students have put into this show. I would hate to have them come back not knowing their lines, music, or choreography.

As always, if you have any questions please feel free to reach out.

Thank you,

Bethani



The Bloom boys got a head start on remote learning. Not only are they doing the Pledge of Allegiance and Hatikvah, they are also leading morning meeting including the giving of tzedakah, and a ruach activity. Now THAT's home instruction!

Feature of the Week: 5th Grade Megillah Reading & The SHDS Purim Carnival

















איזה יום היום?

יום ראשון	1
יום שני	2
יום שלישי	3
יום רביעי	4
יום חמישי	5
יום שישי	6
יום שבת	7

תפוח
סלילה
לדים
לדה
לדות
מגילת
שבת
בביתה
קיר



Go noodle fun with K, 1, 2, 3, and 4!



Kiddush Corner



Lyra Shirilan-Howlett and her kindergarten classmates had apples and caramel to celebrate her birthday,



Makayla Seidmen's had yogurt and tasty mixers with her fifth grade peers.

Community News

Yom Ha'atzmaut

72

FREE
OPEN TO THE COMMUNITY

ISRAEL INDEPENDENCE DAY

Please join us for a Taste of Israel

April 29, 2020

5:45–8:00 pm

Hosted by

Temple Adath Yeshurun

450 Kimber Rd., Syracuse

Enjoy these special delicacies!

Vegetarian Moroccan cigars, Vegetarian kibbeh, Limonana, Halvah, Zatar, Orange jam, Couscous salad, Israeli wine, Israeli beer and much more!

Children's activities

- Tots program
- PJ Library
- Balloon twisting
- Face painting
- Caricature drawings
- "B'galah Yisrael"
- Israeli food games
- Create your own Hebrew name bracelet
- And more!



Israeli market featuring...

- Israeli chefs cookbooks
- Kosher products
- Henna artist
- Local community artists
- Luxury cosmetics by ÉLÉVATIONE
- Synagogue gift shops

Free Israeli dinner

- Homemade Israeli dishes
- All food supervised under the Va'ad

Presented by

Sam Pomeranz Jewish Community Center

Funded by

Jewish Federation of Central New York
Pomeranz, Shankman and Martin
Charitable Foundation

Supporters

Bakergirl Dessert Company, Byrne Dairy, Catering by The Oaks,
Community Cantors, Costco, Joe Eglash and Band, Keyna Hora
Klezmer Band, Syracuse International Folk Dancers, Wegmans

Sponsors

Chabad-Lubavitch of CNY, Congregation Beth Sholom-Cheva
Shas, Rabbi Jacob H. Epstein School of Jewish Studies, Sha'arei
Torah Orthodox Congregation of Syracuse, Syracuse
Community Hebrew School, Syracuse Hebrew Day School,
Temple Adath Yeshurun, Temple Concord



Alumni News

The Barnes and Noble Book Fair, at 3454 Erie Blvd E, will be hosted by the Jamesville Dewitt High School Book Club on Saturday, March 14th from 10:30-5:00. Even though that is when we will be there, purchasing anything during that entire week can still help support our club! A part of

the proceeds from your Barnes and Nobles purchase will go to the club if you use the code 12593117 at checkout. The code will work in any Barnes and Nobles store from March 8th to March 14th. Our Club is trying to raise money for our major event of the year, a trip to the Rochester Teen Book Festival. So please make sure to support the club, and help us go see our favorite authors at the Teen Book Festival!

-Sophia Stokoe and Shaynah Sikora

SHDS alumni at Purim



Just Because

Monday Morning Crew!



Isabel made a Hebrew letter shin out of her pretzel at snack time!



Chaim Yonah reads to the Kindergartners



amazonsmile
You shop. Amazon gives.

What is AmazonSmile?
AmazonSmile is a website
operated by Amazon that lets

SchoolStore

customers enjoy the same wide selection of products, low prices, and convenient shopping features as on Amazon.com. The difference is that when customers shop on AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com), the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the price of eligible purchases to the charitable organizations selected by customers.

[Visit our website](#)



**Your School earns
up to 50%
of all purchases.**

Online retail sales are approaching \$200 billion this year, and 80% of all Americans are online. Now is the time to get your school signed up and earning money.

SchoolStore.com is an online shopping mall where over 350 nationally-known merchants have agreed to give a percentage of sales to K-12 schools. Companies like Walmart, Sears, Target, Disney Store, Family Book Store and Barnes & Noble participate.

[Visit Schoolstore.com](#)

SHDS ID # 126373

