

Solon Chabad Hebrew School

2021-2022 CEF Report



Solon Chabad Hebrew school, is a premier Hebrew school in Northeast Ohio combining creative, hands-on learning experiences.

The school year is all about learning in a fun accessible way so in the regular classroom settings you can expect games, art, cooking, in addition to our school wide activities which foster excitement, a love of Judaism, and most of all, create positive memories of Hebrew school.

Enclosed you will find a comprehensive report on the wonderful activities from this school year. We started the year outside and masked but as the year went on we were able to shed the masks and finished with another terrific school year. There are many more photos on our Hebrew school Facebook page, where we post pictures after every Sunday and Wednesday. Feel free to check out our Facebook group titled "Solon Chabad Hebrew School" for more photos.

Thank you for your continued support and feel free to contact me with any questions.

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First Day of SchoolWe kicked off our school year in September with a great first day. We learned about Yom Kippur, got to know each other through the Israeli game known as Gaga, and started working on Hebrew reading with our cool Aleph Champion program!









Sukkot and Simchat Torah

This year Sukkot was a blast. We held a Lulav and etrog hunt; built miniature sukkahs out of legos, blocks, and snack foods; and created our very own Sukkah decorations. In addition, each class had a lulav making workshop and learned how to make Lulav rings. We even threw branches for schach on top of the real Sukkah!

We marched and saw the Torahs in the ark as we prepared for Simchat Torah!









Torah Stories

Torah stories come alive through arts and crafts and bringing stories to life. We dressed up as Abraham, studied a unit on the story of Exodus, built Noah's ark, and played a priority game in connection with the story of Adam and Eve. We even made a model of the Holy Land. Every child decorated a different tribe and then put it together like a puzzle.

The creativity and teamwork was inspiring!

















Chanukah

This year Chanukah was as memorable as ever. We made DIY Menorahs, played Minute to Win It which reviewed Chanukah info, and played lots of dreidel. The 5th and 6th grade girls made latkes from scratch, and the oldest boys had a Latke War competition, the 7th grade madrichim made Chanukah cookies, we all played Chanukah Jeopardy, and everyone participated in our Chaunkah Mitzvah project.





Tu Bshvat

We celebrated the Holy Land and toured the entire country of Israel with an Israel Fair and tons of parent volunteers for Tu Bshvat this year. We traveled from Tzfat to the dead sea and everywhere in between. We started by traveling to Israel via airplane and learned about some of the Holy Cities from the flight attendant on the screen.

Then every kid got a map to collect a sticker from each site they toured. In Tzfat, the center of Kabbalah and art, the kids painted the letter Alef and talked about the Kabbalah behind it. In Jerusalem, the kids tuned in to Western Wall Live, and prepared their own notes for the wall. They signed the notes by using their Jewish names . At the market in Tel Aviv, kids bargained for their fruit and made fruit kabobs! In honor of Tu B'shvat, we served some of the 7 special fruits that Israel is famous for, such as figs, dates, olives and pomegranates.















Shabbat at Home

We learned about Shabbat so we could celebrate Shabbat at Home with our families. We made challah covers, candle mosaics, cupcake decorating, and held a Shabbat raffie. Then we held a pre-Shabbat zoom party so everyone could be together and share our traditions virtually. Each family invited relatives and the children helped with the Shabbat preparations in their own house. 48 families participated in the At Home Shabbat event.











This Sunday, every student will prepare all the Shabbat supplies for their family. Some classes will be making desserts as well! es



PRE-SHABBAT ZOOM FRIDAY, FEB 18 5:00-5:30 PM WWW.SOLONCHABAD.COM/ZOOM

*Raffle will be drawn on the Zoom. Winner must be present to win.

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Global Rally for Ukraine



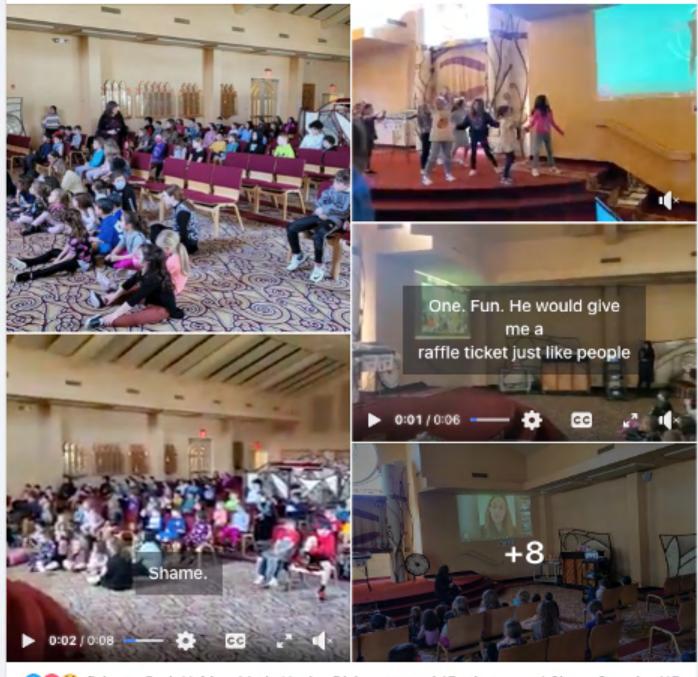
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Global Prayer Rally for Ukraine! We joined 120 other Chabad Hebrew Schools on Zoom, 3000 children strong! We said prayers, gave charity, and a Chabad representative from Ukraine thanked the children for their prayers. We ended with a lively dance for Jewish pride and unity!



🗘 🔾 👺 Brittany Roth Neidus, Maria Hanley Blakemore and 15 others

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PURIM CARNIVAL! The 5th, 6th and 7th graders expertly ran the carnival, and the 4th graders were very devoted chaperones to the Kindergartners. Thank you to everyone for a great day!





Purim

Learning, reading, playing, and rotating stations to learn about the 4 Mitzvot of Purim!





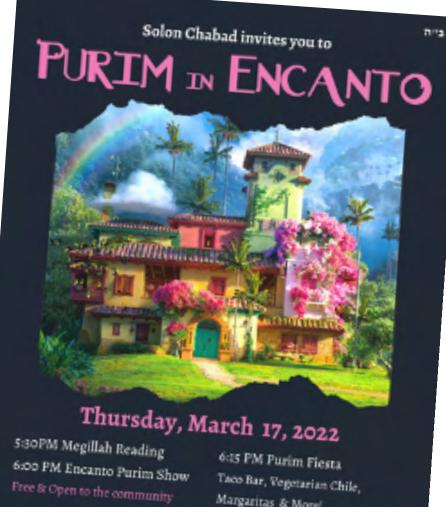






Encanto Purim Party





Margaritas & More! \$18 Adults, \$12 kids, 3 & under free Limited Spots Available.



Passover

Passover projects galore! We practiced the Ma Nishtana for Seder night, we learned the whole story of Passover, learned how to bake a Passover dessert. We also had a model seder table set up, and every class had a chance to come learn about the items needed for the Seder. Kindergarten and first grade reviewed the info with a game of musical chairs. Making charoset was a hit. The kids now know how to make it for the seder. Some kids were very experienced with peelers and graters, and the rest are now!

All parents were invited to our Model Matzah bakery to learn how Matzah is made and try it themselves!















Maztah Factory









Lag Ba'omer







Shavuot

We learned about the 49 days of the omer which we count from Passover until the next holiday, Shavuot, when we got the Torah at Mount Sinai. Some classes walked the 49 days in a scavenger around the building, some classes made an edible path of 49 steps, and some played a virtual game of Subway Surfers where they had to catch the Mitzvos along the way! We made more holiday tiles and built edible Mount Sinai's.













Bar/Bat Mitzah Class



Siddur PartyThe third graders had an amazing Siddur Celebration this year! Each child got their own, brand new prayer book to keep at home and use! The kids did a great job showing their parents a sampling of the prayers they learned.







Torah CeremonyFamilies made beautiful Torah covers for the first grade Torah Ceremony! The children received their very own first Torah and everyone gathered to celebrate them!















Aleph Champ

We love teaching Hebrew! We've adapted a learning system geared for fun, using the Karate color belt system. The kids work one-on-one with Hebrew tutors and small groups and pass their Hebrew letter skills level by level. After mastering a level they receive the corresponding colored medal. It's fun, competitive, and educational! Check out these smiles and medals awarded throughout the year! This year's Aleph Champs rose to the gray level closest to a black belt. Mazel Tov to Aiden Salomon and Hayden Reiss!











Mitzvah Auction

The children placed bids for the mitzvah they want to do and then they won a prize to help do it!





7th Grade Madrichim

We are so blessed to have the most incredible group of madrichim who happily come each Sunday to help with whatever is needed, whether it's in the classrooms, tutoring Hebrew, or coordinating dismissal. During Passover we had a special trip in appreciation for all their help every Sunday! They had a great time painting Seder Plates at Spirit of Clay.











Last Day Party

It was an amazing day culminating with an aleph bet string hunt competition and children against the staff dodgeball game!



