

## Welcome to Solon Chabad Hebrew School

We look forward to offering your child a Jewish atmosphere of warmth, acceptance, and pride and to nurture him/her to be self-motivated in the Judaic learning experience.

Please pick up a school calendar from the office or find it online at [www.solonchabad.com](http://www.solonchabad.com). Be sure to mark down the Parent and Family programs on your calendar so that you can join us for these important events.

Our class times are as follows:

Sundays 9:15 AM – 12:00 PM All grades

Wednesdays 4:00 – 5:30 PM 3<sup>rd</sup> through 7th grade

**Attendance:** Consistent attendance is of utmost importance. We make sure that each and every minute is filled with new learning experiences and students who are absent will be missing out on basic skills.

**Absences:** If your child will be absent, please send an email to notify us. That's the best way to let us know.

**Early pick up:** If you need to pick your child up early, please park and come inside to sign them out; a staff member will then call them out of class. Students will not be allowed to leave class to wait for parents in the hallway.

**Drop off:** All students are welcome to use our drop off line in the morning. Simply pull up to the front door and there will be a staff member outside greeting your child and directing them indoors. If you wish to walk your child into their classroom, park in the main parking lot and come in.

### Dismissal:

Kindergarten & 1<sup>st</sup> grade: Students will remain in their classrooms until parents come to pick them up. Please wait in the hallway until the teacher opens the door wide, signaling that she's ready for dismissal. K & 1<sup>st</sup> graders will **not** be allowed out of the building without an adult or older sibling, so parents must park in the lot and come inside. Please do NOT park in the pick up line and leave your car unattended at any time.

2<sup>nd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> grades: Pull up alongside the sidewalk and your child will be directed to your car. If you prefer, you may park your car in the parking lot and come in and wait in the lobby. If you choose to park in the parking lot, you must come over to the main doors to cross your child. Students will not be allowed to cross over to the parking lot without an adult. Please ONLY cross at the cross walk, and watch for the Stop sign that signals when it's safe to cross.

**Supplies:** Your child does **not** need to bring any pens, papers, books, or folders; we provide all necessary items. We provide a Hebrew School folder for grades K-3, and ask that you empty it each Sunday and send it back. Students do not need to bring their folders on Wednesdays.

**Cell phones:** We have a no cell phone policy in class. If we see a phone or any electronic item, we will ask the student to leave the item in the office until the end of the day and it will be returned to the parent at pick up. If you need to contact your child, please call the office at 440 498 9533.

**Kippa:** We provide each boy a Kippa (Yarmulka) when they come into class, but we highly recommend that your child should have a Kippa of his own to bring each week. The connection to this tradition is so much more meaningful when they are wearing something they helped pick out in the store.

**Parental Involvement:** Parents are welcome and encouraged to observe at the school or sit in class at any time. We can often use volunteers, whether it is doing a special project in the classroom or assisting on field trips, and it is especially beneficial for your child to see how involved you are in his/her Jewish studies. If you would like to be a volunteer, let us know and we will try to accommodate your schedule.

**Emergencies:** In the event of an emergency we will administer first-aid and contact the parents or 911 as necessary. It is imperative that we have an updated Emergency Form on file and that we are notified of any changes in health/allergies, or parent's phone numbers so you can be contacted easily.

**Conduct:** We expect responsible behavior from all students. In building a student community, we ask that children take responsibility for their actions and for insuring the safety of others. If improper or irresponsible behavior occurs, parents will be notified.

**Hebrew Reading:** Like all languages, fluency only comes with practice. Every student in grades 1 –6 will receive a voluntary review sheet each Sunday. Encourage your child to read the paper multiple times – there's no limit to gaining fluency and speed! Signing your child's paper and sending it back, will earn him/her reading points for future prizes.

**Bagel Breakfast/snack:** We serve bagels and cream cheese every Sunday morning and snacks on Wednesday. If your child has any dietary restrictions, please let us know in advance.

**Tzedaka/Charity** Please have your child bring a coin in for Tzedakah each Sunday. We instill in our students the importance of charity in our Jewish tradition, and Tzedakah will be collected each Sunday morning.

**Facebook:** We have a *Solon Chabad Hebrew School* Facebook group, on which we post photos of the children and the lessons and activities that they are involved in. Please request to become a member so you can be updated on the latest and see pictures of your children.

**Communication:** Our main method of communication is email, and I'd like to make sure that all our addresses are correct so that you receive all our email communications. If you do not check your email regularly, then please let me know.

Welcome, and feel free to contact us with any questions.

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