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Dear Parents,

Imagine a Hebrew school where your kids don’t want to miss a day. They come in with a smile and leave humming a new Hebrew song.

Imagine a child who feels the warmth and spirit of Judaism and then imagine the pride of this child’s parents.

Welcome to Chabad Hebrew School of West Houston/Katy where the values and tradition of Judaism are vividly brought to life!

The goal of our Hebrew School is to experience and deepen Jewish knowledge which will strengthen your children’s understanding of G- d, their identification with the Jewish people, their involvement in the synagogue, their participation in Jewish life and their determination to live as Jews.

With your interest and participation, your child will see Hebrew school as a privilege and opportunity to learn about their Jewish identity. Thank you for taking on this commitment and welcome to the team!

Best wishes for a happy, healthy, and successful New Year!

Hebrew School Director

Elisa Goldstein

Curriculum

From Aleph-Bais and Hebrew literacy to bringing Jewish Holidays to life, our lessons are multi-sensory and hands-on. Students truly experience what they are being taught through an interactive classroom experience.

Chabad Hebrew School of West Houston/Katy uses the new, acclaimed **Aleph Champ** program to ensure that your child will read fluently at the end of his/her Hebrew School experience.

HEBREW

Our students learn to read & write Hebrew.

They gain confidence and familiarity with the Siddur-Hebrew Prayer Book.

ISRAEL

Our students will attain an affection for our heritage and the uniqueness of our homeland Israel.

JEWISH HISTORY

The students gain an appreciation of our heritage and culture that has been preserved throughout the ages.

HOLIDAYS AND SHABBAT

Traditions and celebrations, exploring the joy of Jewish Holidays and Shabbat will provide a deeper meaning for our students.

JEWISH VALUES

Beginning with the origins of the mitzvot, stressing practical applications of good deeds in our daily lives, our students will explore a personal Jewishness.

Communication

Should you need to contact our staff during school hours, please contact:

Elisa Goldstein – 713-545-7724

Rabbi Dovid Goldstein – 713-471-7733

The Atmosphere

The underlying strength of our school is in its general warmth and spirit, providing a learning experience in an atmosphere of joy and liveliness.

Family Days, Friday night dinners, school contests, hands-on education, and family workshops as well as games, drama, and songs are blended into our curriculum.

Homework

Homework is optional and will generally consist of a review, reinforcement or completion of Hebrew reading.

Our Approach

At our Hebrew School we strive to stress the beauty and warmth of Judaism and its Mitzvot. We place particular emphasis on the inclusion of Jewish ethics and values. Mutual tolerance and respect for fellow human beings are taught as basic principles of faith.

Aleph Champ/Hebrew Language Reading & Comprehension

Aleph Champ is a ground-breaking program that is the talk of the town. This system offers a new and innovative Hebrew reading technique that involves ten easily attainable levels for children to master. Students are motivated and have clear goals defined for them. In addition to reading they will be able to write and understand basic Hebrew vocabulary.

Health and Wellness

Communication is key to allowing us to help your child. Please let us know if there are any important factors in your child's health, such as allergies, vision, hearing, medications, etc. This will help us to be understanding and cater to his/her needs. Of course, the greatest care will be taken to maintain the confidentiality of the student/family.

Contagious Illness: Please notify us in the event of a contagious illness so that we may notify the parents of other children in the class to be aware of the symptoms.

In case of minor injury, the staff will treat the injury. For major injuries, G-d forbid, EMS will be called as well as the parents. In the event the parents/guardians cannot be reached, the emergency contact on file will be contacted. If necessary, the child will be taken to the nearest hospital.

Drop Off/ Pick Up

- Sunday: 9:30-11:30 am

Hebrew School Schedule

In-Person Hebrew School

Kindergarten - 6th graders meet Sunday mornings from 9:30–11:30 a.m.

Sample Schedule	Activity
9:30am-10:15am	Hebrew Reading-Aleph Champ
10:15am-10:25am	Outdoor Recess & Snack
10:25am-10:45am	Prayer - Tefillah
10:45am-11:30am	Class Curriculum

Attendance

Regular attendance is crucial to your child’s success in Hebrew school. There is a direct correlation between attendance and achievement, interest and attitude. Adhering to the attendance policy will help your child get the most out of Hebrew school.

Payment and Refund Policy

Tuition fees can be paid by check or credit card. Please note that should you choose to pay by credit card, you will be charged the 3.5% processing fee. Payments should be given to the director only and not to other staff members. Should you decide to withdraw your child from Hebrew School, your refund will be pro-rated up to February 1. After that date no refund will be allowed for Hebrew School tuition. There are no refunds or credits for days missed due to illness, holidays, or family vacations.

Textbooks

Textbooks and workbooks will be supplied by the school. Books should be treated with care and respect.

Communication

Your child’s happiness is our top priority. Communication between parents and staff is very important and will make the Hebrew school experience more pleasant for your child.

If there are any issues that are bothering you concerning your child’s education, do not disregard them. Please talk to us so that we can make your child more comfortable and alleviate any distress immediately.

We will be emailing/what’s app announcements and pictures to let you know what is happening during Hebrew school.

Kippah

For sanitary reasons, please make sure your child has his own kippah every day. If he forgets his own kippah, we will offer him one.

Tzedakah

Tzedakah (charity) is a concept which is basic to Judaism. Our school attempts to develop a commitment among our students to share with the less fortunate by donating a few pennies a day to charity. Parents are asked to provide the students with a daily coin for tzedakah.

Snacks

We will provide a light snack and water to your child.

Helping Your Child Succeed

In order for our CHS program to be most effective, the home and CHS must work hand in hand and promote a close partnership. The following are a few suggestions:

- Many of our students are involved in other extracurricular activities, i.e. sports, music lessons, etc. All these are important; however, please place priority on your child's Jewish education.
- Participation in Synagogue services and celebration of Jewish Holidays will greatly enhance your child's interest in Judaism and strengthen his/her Jewish identity. We invite all Hebrew School families to join us at Chabad for Shabbat and holiday services and programs. You belong-no membership needed!
- Show your child that you are interested in his/her Jewish education. Make a habit of asking your child/ren how their day was, and what they have learned. This will greatly encourage and help foster a strong Jewish identity and positive attitude.
- Always remember that informal Jewish education is one of the best motivators for creating a positive Jewish identity!