



THE MARC & MIRIAM ANIDJAR HEBREW FOR KIDS HEBREW SCHOOL



DJCC Hebrew for Kids UPDATED POLICIES AND GUIDELINES FOR COVID -19

We are excited to be back offering Hebrew for Kids for the coming 5781 school year. Our primary focus at Hebrew for Kids is to ensure that our students are provided with the opportunity to develop and grow in their Judaism with engagement and individualized attention that are hallmarks of our pedagogy. The safety and health of our students, as well as their social emotional and cognitive growth will continue to be at the core of all that we do.

All updated policies and guidelines for COVID -19, override anything in our previous Hebrew for Kids parent handbook

UPDATED POLICIES AND GUIDELINES

Please bear with us; As the virus evolves, policies and procedures are subject to change and will be updated on this website and via e-mail. We will continue to monitor the latest health guidelines, state mandated policies, CDC and Broward County Health Department recommendations to make adjustments to our programming policies and procedures. Safety will always be our number one priority for our children, staff, and families.

Any of the policies and guidelines may be updated at any time to reflect the current COVID-19 guidance from the DCF, CDC or the State of Florida Health Department. Compliance with the updated guidelines will be required.

BEFORE RETURNING TO SCHOOL

COVID-19 Training for Staff: All Hebrew for Kids teachers and staff will undergo comprehensive training to ensure understanding of the symptoms, methods of transmission, strategies for prevention and mitigation of COVID 19.

Sanitizing & Cleaning: We will continue to implement a higher standard of sanitizing & cleaning. The maintenance and cleaning policies have been updated to include vigorous disinfection on a routine basis.

Travel policy: Before and during the school year; all Hebrew for Kids staff and students who have traveled out of the South Florida area may require a 14-day quarantine prior to being permitted on campus.

DAILY SCREENINGS

STAFF:

All persons, except the following, will be prohibited from accessing our building: operation staff, law enforcement officers and children enrolled at the operation;

- Parents will not be allowed in the building.
- All permitted staff will be re-screened before entering the building.
- Anyone with a fever over 99.5F will not be allowed into school.

STUDENTS:

- Please do your own screening at home before sending your child to school.
- Be sure they do not have fever, runny nose, cough, diarrhea or any COVID-19 like symptoms. Do **not** medicate your child before sending to school.
- Upon arrival we will ask you basic questions about your child's and family's health.
- You can help your child come out of the car and wait for the screening.
- You must be wearing a mask. You will need to wait while we screen your child. It will be done quickly yet efficiently.
- We will take your child's temperature and check for any signs of illness.
- Once deemed safe to join we will give you the okay and your child will be escorted to class by one of our staff members.
- The children will wash their hands and remove their 'home' shoes before entering the class. Please send a pair of shoes in a Ziplock bag to be worn only indoors.

SELF REPORTING:

A system is in place to request all staff to report any symptoms such as fever, cough, shortness of breath, fatigue, body aches, sore throat, congestion, vomiting, diarrhea, loss of sense of smell/taste, or exposure to COVID-19. Staff with symptoms or exposure will be asked to refrain from returning to school and protocols will be followed. Hebrew for Kids students and families must report symptoms and exposures.

INDIVIDUAL CLASS PODS/ COHORTS

Our class sizes will be adjusted to accommodate for the recommendation of smaller pods and or cohorts. Children and teachers will not change from one group to another. Each class will remain in their respective classrooms and not change classes during the Hebrew for Kids session.

HAND WASHING & OVERALL CLEANLINESS

Hand washing times, for a minimum of 20 seconds, have been added to the class routine and schedule.

FACIAL COVERING MASK WEARING

- Staff for children over the age of 5 (Preschool) must wear face masks at all times in the facility and at drop off and pickup.
- Staff for preschool age children 4-6 will wear masks when feasible
- All staff will wear masks at drop off- pick up, when serving food and at any bathroom times or when in contact with bodily fluids.
- Children ages 3-6 may wear face coverings within the facility when feasible.
- Children 6 and over **must** wear face masks at all times.
- We reserve the right to remove a child's mask when deemed unsafe or being used inappropriately.

SOCIAL DISTANCING

- Children will be seated further apart or separated by plexiglass dividers, when feasible.
- Children under 6 will be physically comforted by an adult when needed.

MODIFIED SCHOOL HOURS

- Sundays LIVE: 10:00am- 12:00pm
- Sundays VIRTUAL: 11:00am-1:00pm
- Tuesdays LIVE only : 3:30pm – 5:00pm
- We will implement a staggered drop off and pick up schedule to ensure a safe and organized drop off and pick up.
- You must follow the designated times for your child and class.
- All children will be screened before being allowed into class.

SCHOOL AGES

Boys and girls ages 4 – 13 years old.

FOOD POLICY

In compliance with the CDC guidelines we cannot offer family style snacks which is the way we were serving in the past.

Single serve snacks will be served. We ask that you please send a labeled water bottle for your child each school day. Please do not send juice or sodas.

TUITION POLICY

Hebrew for Kids is committed to a full school year of growth and development, fun and excitement. Our school year has anywhere from 27-30 days per year. This year the Jewish High holidays occur mostly on weekends and although there are no classes until October 18th, we have ensured that your children receive 29 full Hebrew School days! (see calendar)

Our intentions are to be physically IN school for the school year 20-21/ 5781. We understand that this may not be in our control as the uncertainties of COVID 19 continue to change our lives and schedules.

Considering the money, time, effort, energy, work, contracts with teachers and staff and commitment from our staff and families we have created the following policies for this year:

As of 08/25/20

- \$100 Non-Refundable Registration and \$180 Security Fee (for LIVE sessions,) must be paid upon registration
- Tuition for the Hebrew for Kids school year is \$999.00 for Virtual and Live. (Activity packets will be available for pick up on Thursdays for those children registered for VIRTUAL class)
- Nine equally divided monthly payments of \$111 will be charged to your credit card on file on the first of each month.
- The first payment will be charged on September 1st, 2020 and the remaining payments on the 1st of each month through May 1st, 2021.
- You must sign the payment contract along with your registration forms.
- You must sign the waiver along with your registration forms.
- As long as Hebrew for Kids is running per CDC guidelines, no refunds will be given due to a child's illness, temporary quarantine mandate, inability or change of mind to attend school.
- If Hebrew for Kids must close due to new health updates or guidance from CDC or for any other reason, we will issue a credit for each day previously paid for. We do not plan on closing school unless MANDATED by the DCF or CDC. Even if the public schools choose not to reopen or to temporarily close, we will be making the decision on how Hebrew for Kids will operate independently of their decisions.
- If we must remain closed indefinitely, payments will be paused until in person instruction can begin again, less 10 percent to help us cover costs.

SCHOOL CALENDAR 20-21/5781

Click [here](#) for the school calendar.

Dates are subject to change.

WAIVER

If you are uncomfortable with sending your child to Hebrew for Kids with these precautions in place, please keep your child at home. These precautions are in place to provide every effort to keep every child and family safe; however, this does not provide any guarantee of any kind. As the parent of the child attending, you assume all risks associated with allowing your child to begin attending. We are doing everything we can in our power to keep every child safe during this time. Working together during this time is important.

Each family must sign and return the waiver before the start of school

For PDF of [Waiver click here](#)

THANK YOU

We are blessed to have YOU as part of our Hebrew for Kids family!

We are grateful to be able to open 'in person' and virtual with your support, dedication and love.

We know these are uncertain times and we appreciate your compliance with our new guidelines.

As a team we can do anything!

Sincerely,

Your devoted director,

Devorah Kaplan

Checklist

- Registration Forms; filled and submitted on our website
- \$100 Registration fee paid
- \$180 Security guard fee paid (for LIVE Sunday School ONLY)
- Payment contract signed and submitted with credit card on file
- Read DJCC COVID -19 waiver; signed and submitted
- Read DJCC Hebrew School Updated Policies and Guidelines COVID -19
- Read Hebrew for Kids 'Keeping our Families Safe'
- Read Hebrew for Kids Handbook / remember COVID guidelines override any previous guidelines
- Hebrew for Kids Calendar 2020-2021/5781
- Supply list
- Staggered drop off and pick up schedule
- Outline for Virtual classes 2020-2021/5781
- Calendar