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Dear Congregants and Friends,

We are pleased to enclose your tickets for the High Holiday Services. Tickets are provided for those members of your family 16 years of age or older. Children under the age of 16 do not need tickets. Please refer to the general information below and the Child Care and Children's Program instructions on the back of this letter.

#### Members Should Bring:

- Tickets – you must show your tickets when you enter
- Parking Pass – you must display in your car window
- Prayer Books – *Mahzor Lev Shalem* (The Synagogue copies are reserved for guests.)  
*Note: Special books will be provided for the Family Service.*
- Tallit – If you don't own one, you can purchase them at the gift shop before the Holidays.

#### Important Policies:

- Child Care is available ONLY for those who reserved in advance.
- The Education Wing will house Child Care and Children's Programs. It is OFF LIMITS to anyone not in the above programs. You must check in at the door to gain entrance. *This is necessary for the safety of your children.*
- The playgrounds are closed during all services. Please inform your children.
- Seating in the services is on a "first come, first seated" basis. Ushers are instructed to fill seats toward the front, and to avoid single seats being left open.

#### The Family Service:

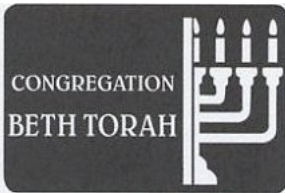
- This Service is offered as an *alternative* for those families who do not want to put their children into Child Care and Children's Programs. Reservations are not needed.
- This Service gives the entire family an opportunity to stay together for an abbreviated High Holiday Service, which is geared for children up to B'nai Mitzvah age.
- Special books will be provided for this service. Please share these books, as we only have a limited number available.
- Child Care will NOT be offered during this Service.

#### The Tot Service:

- This Service is geared for children up to 5 years of age. IF YOU HAVE MADE A CHILD CARE RESERVATION, you may place your child in child care before and/or after the Tot Service. The cost for Child Care is for the entire morning. Sorry, we cannot prorate the cost for Child Care.
- Children attending the Tot Service MUST be accompanied by a parent, grandparent or adult special friend.

The High Holidays require a tremendous amount of preparation. Our member volunteers will try very hard to insure that these services are a meaningful experience for everyone. We appreciate your cooperation and patience.

*The High Holidays Committee, co-chairs Earl Bills, Arny Felner, and Elizabeth Leiter*



### **CHILD CARE**

Families with children between the ages of *six months and five years (does not include kindergarden)* can reserve a place in child care during the first and second day of Rosh Hashanah, Kol Nidre and the morning Yom Kippur services. Child care will *not* be provided on Erev Rosh Hashanah, the evening service on the second night of Rosh Hashanah or the Evening service of Yom Kippur. In order to have enough babysitters, *we must know in advance* the number and ages of the children we will care for during each service. *We cannot accept any children who have not been registered in advance.*

Bring the following items *clearly labeled* for your children in Child Care:

- Bottles and food for babies.
- Kosher dairy snacks/lunch and a drink for all children. (*no* refrigeration available.)
- Sufficient personal care items (i.e., diapers, diaper wipes, clothing changes.)

**Please do not bring your children if they are not feeling well.**

For more information, contact Esther Cohen at 972.234.1542 x 222, [learningcenter@congregationbethtorah.org](mailto:learningcenter@congregationbethtorah.org).

### **CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS**

STUDENTS WHO ARE NOT REGISTERED FOR THE PROGRAM WILL NOT BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE.

#### **KINDERGARTEN - 7TH GRADE**

Time: 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

The program will take place in the classrooms. The children's service, led by Eli Davidsohn, will take place in the Multipurpose Room.

#### **CHILDREN'S SERVICE SCHEDULE**

Kindergarten - 3rd Grade	11:00 - 11:45
4th - 7th Grade	12:00 - 1:00

8th Grade & Up - students attend services in the sanctuary. The Youth Lounge and Conference Room will be available for a break and socialization. Snacks will be available on both days of Rosh Hashana.

#### **STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT, ELECTRONIC DEVICES AND DRESS CODE**

Students are expected to conduct themselves in a respectful manner toward teachers, hall monitors, volunteers, fellow students and the synagogue and its content. Electronic devices are not permitted in the synagogue during the High Holidays. CD, tape, MP3 players or electronic games should not be brought into the building. The use of cell phones is strictly prohibited.

All students are expected to wear proper shul attire, no shorts or t-shirts. We are blessed with students who are well behaved and respectful and we trust that all students will be engaged and cooperative. However, students who disrupt the program will be escorted to the main sanctuary and their parents will be asked to attend to their needs.

#### **SNACKS**

Challah and honey will be served on both days of Rosh Hashana in the classrooms for grades Kindergarten - 7th. We recommend that you send with your child an additional snack. Sending a sack lunch is also an option.

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