

**Congregation Netivot Shalom
Shoreshim Religious and Hebrew School
Registration Packet 2010-2011 5771**



BRUCHIM HABAIM!

Welcome to a Great Year of Learning at Netivot Shalom!

Hello! It is with tremendous excitement that we prepare for a new year of learning and building community. In addition to welcoming new teaching staff and new students, we are looking forward to making use of our new improved Kid's Library at Netivot Shalom and offering Edah, an innovative after-school program for Kindergarten students which will offer enrichment opportunities four days a week and include our Thursday Kindergarten class within the new program. We are also very pleased with our newly enhanced Amitim Program for Bat-Bar Mitzvah students in 6th grade and 7th grade and the Pre-Amitim prep class for the Fall Semester of 6th grade. Other improvements for the year include monthly parent newsletters, family gatherings for Shabbat and Holidays, and an increased focus on Midot (Jewish Values). We'll continue our new Beit Midrash program which brings together 1st through 5th graders each week to explore a "Torah Mystery" and continue to incorporate Hebrew and Jewish music into our program in addition to more hands-on learning through games and activities.

We continue to grow and add to the wealth of programs at Netivot Shalom. Please familiarize yourself with the various ways you and your children can choose to be involved in lifelong learning. For Parents, we encourage you to find educational endeavors that challenge and inspire you. There is no better way to show your children the importance of continued learning. There are many adult education classes offered so you can learn while your children learn.

We are always open and eager to hear your concerns and suggestions. It is only with parent and student feedback that we can improve our program. Work with us to dream big about the future we are building for our children and families at Netivot Shalom. Our offices are always open to you. The Netivot Shalom staff is devoted to working collaboratively with you to ensure that this is an environment where your child is cared for, supported, and challenged at his or her level. We hope that your family feels like Netivot Shalom is home. Here you will find thoughtful teachers and students engaging together in an inclusive inviting atmosphere.

If you have any questions about registration, the contract, or programs, please contact me at: education@netivotshalom.org or 510-549-9447, ext. 104.

Kol Tuv, Rabbi Shalom Bochner, Director of Life Long Learning

IMPORTANT DATES

Friday, July 16th, 2010: Deadline for “early bird” discount for Hebrew School Registration

Friday, August 27, 2010: Deadline for Hebrew School Registration (late fees of \$40 apply after this date)

Thursday, September 2 , 2010: Back to School Night 7:00 – 9:00 pm

Tuesday, September 14, 2010: First Day of Hebrew School (1st – 6th grade, Amitim)

Thursday, September 16, 2010: First Day of Hebrew School (Kindergarten)

Thursday, May 5, 2011: Last day of Kindergarten classes

Tuesday, May 10, 2011: Last day for all other classes

Program Schedule and Tuition Rates

Program	Meets	<u>Member Cost</u> Early Bird / Regular	<u>Non-Member</u> <u>Cost</u> EarlyBird / Regular
Weekday Religious / Hebrew School			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kindergarten 	Thursday 3:45 – 5:45pm	\$780 / \$795	\$880/ \$895
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st – 4th grades Hebrew Infusion 	Tuesday & Thursday 3:45-5:45pm	\$1430 / \$1455	\$1630 / \$1,655
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5th grade 	Tuesday & Thursday 3:45 –5:45pm	\$1130 / \$1155	\$1330 / \$1355
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6th grade (Fall only) Amitim Prep Program 	Tuesday 4:30 – 6:30 pm	\$350 / \$375	\$450 / \$475
Amitim Bnai Mitzvah Program	Tuesdays 4:30 – 6:30pm (6th Grade classes start in January and continue through December of 7th grade)	\$1275 / \$1300	Not available

Shabbat Programs			
<i>Shabbat B'Yachad</i> • 5 & under & arents	2 nd & 4 th Shabbatot 11:00am September - July	No Cost	Suggested Donation \$360
<i>Rimmonim</i> • K-2 nd & Parents	1 st & 3 rd Shabbatot September - June	No Cost	Suggested Donation \$118
<i>Shabbat Youth Programs</i> • 3 rd – 5 th grades	Programs Include: Orah V'Simchah Youth Services and Shabat Camp <i>(see on line calendar for schedule)</i>		No Cost for Members or Non-Members

Information about Rgistration for the 5771 (2010-2011) School Year:

We ask that this registration form be filled out on your computer and sent back to the school as an e-mail attachment. The e-mail address is: education@netivotshalom.org We'll keep an electronic copy on file and hope that in subsequent years you will only need to submit new or updated information. This will save time for you and the school staff and also limit the amount of paper resources that we use at the school. If you are not able to submit this form electronically, please send us a "hard copy" and we will transfer the date to a word.doc file. Please note that you can type your name where a signature is required.

There is an early bird discount and also a late fee. This pricing structure is to encourage early registration so we can confirm the class sizes and teaching faculty. Please note that only the deposit is due at this time. We do appreciate all families that are able to pay in full before the school year begins

We have added an additional year to the Hebrew Infusion program which now will include fourth grade. There is a regular Hebrew School / Religious School program for 5th grade this year. Our 7th graders will be in Amitim (Bnai Mitzvah prep program) classes from September through December; the 6th graders will be in Amitim from January 2011 through December. This allows all the Bnai Mitzvah students to be best supported and prepared for becoming Bat/Bar Mitzvah and also maximize the support and community building offered by the congregation before they become Bat/Bar Mitzvah. There will be a September through December Amitim Prep Program offered on Tuesday nights for our 6th graders. **We have also greatly shortened the registration materials for this year!**

Please contact the education office at education@netivotshalom.org or 549-9447, ext 104 if you have any questions about these improvements to the program!

REGISTRATION FORM

Child's Name	Program(s)	Grade	Program Cost	Amount Enclosed
1.	-		\$	\$
2.	-		\$	\$
3.	-		\$	\$
Totals			\$	\$

Payment Options and Contract

To ensure a place in our Hebrew School programs a non-refundable deposit of \$150 (which will be applied to your last month's payment) or payment in full, as well as the signed contract below are due to the Netivot Shalom office by August 27th (July 16th for the early-bird discount)

By automatic debit from your checking account.	Please charge my checking account once each month (on the 15th of each month) in equal installments through June 2011 I have enclosed a VOIDED check with account information. <i>No deposit necessary for this method of payment.</i>
Payment in Full	Personal check for total amount of dues enclosed (<i>no deposit necessary</i>)
Semi-Annual	By personal check (in addition, please also include deposit of \$150)
Semi-Annual & Annual	By Credit Card Card Type _____ Exp. Date _____ Card Number _____

Admission to Congregation Netivot Shalom Religious / Hebrew School: Children are enrolled and contracted for the time period from September 14, 2010 through May 10, 2011. Families are responsible for the entire tuition for the school year. The Religious School reserves the right to void this contract at the discretion of the Director of LifeLong Learning in consultation with the Executive Director of Netivot Shalom. In such instances, the unused portion of any pre-paid fees will be refunded.

Printed Name and Signature of Parent or Guardian:

HEALTH AND EMERGENCY FORM

In case of emergency, what is the best way to reach you? _____

2 Emergency Contacts:

Name Relationship Phone

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I authorize a teacher or parent of Netivot Shalom to drive my child to an alternate location within Berkeley in the event of an emergency or urgent change of location of the program, and to obtain any emergency medical treatment my child(ren) may need.

Parent's signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Health insurance carrier: _____ Policy number: _____

Child's(ren) Physician: _____ Phone: _____

Child's(ren) Dentist: _____ Phone: _____

Please fill out the health assessment on the next page for each child.

This form will be kept in a confidential file in the synagogue education office and shared with your child's teacher only if deemed necessary by the Director of LifeLong Learning.

1) Please list any allergies or any special dietary needs:

2) Any medications your child is currently taking or needs to have on hand during school:

3) Health Issues: If any, please include information on any conditions or overall issues we should know.

4) Please list any learning and behavioral issues we should know about.

5) Is your child experiencing major changes or disruption in his/her life?

Thank you for completing these forms and allowing us to best serve you and your child!