



Spring 2008

Dear Prospective Kehilla School Family:

Thank you for your interest in Kehilla School. We pride ourselves on small, intimate classes in which our teachers can get to know students and best serve their needs.

Please note that you must be a current Kehilla Community Synagogue member in good standing in order to enroll your children in our school (except Joyfully Jewish, our Kindergarten program.) If becoming a Kehilla member is contingent on your child's enrollment in Kehilla School please include a note to that effect with your membership form. We will put your check on hold until we can confirm school enrollment.

Tuition for the 2008-09 school year is \$675. (Additional siblings receive a tuition reduction of \$100 each.) Tuition payments should follow the schedule below unless you make clear arrangements with the Executive Director, Sandy Bredt.

\$275 non-refundable deposit due with registration

\$200 due on August 15, 2008

\$200 due on November 15, 2008

While tuition is set at \$675 per year, the full cost to provide each 1st – 6th grade student with a Kehilla Jewish education is \$1,000, plus our overhead costs. Thus, for each child, a "tuition gap" of \$325 is taken from the membership dues of the entire congregation. We ask that if you are able, you increase the amount you pay to cover some (or all) of this tuition gap. Thank you.

Scholarships are available after the High Holidays, when we receive contributions from the community. If you would like to be considered for a scholarship, please **send a note with your registration and your deposit**, indicating the amount you are requesting. Please note that our financial assistance does not exceed 50% of any family's tuition obligation.

If you are able to donate towards our scholarship fund, please include your donation with your deposit.

Enrollment Application Forms

In order for your child's enrollment application to be considered complete, we must receive:

- Student Information Form (one per child)
- Emergency Form (one per child)
- Parent Service Commitment Form (one per family)
- Tuition Commitment Form
- Tuition Deposit (minimum \$275 + emergency fee of \$15)

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If you are not a current 2008-09 Kehilla member:

- You must be a member of Kehilla Community Synagogue in order to enroll your child in Kehilla School. Please complete a New Members Information Form, along with the Dues Pledge and Volunteer Forms. (If it is not in this packet, you can download it from the web or call our office to send you hard copies!)

Attendance Policy

Presence and participation are really important at Kehilla. We are a small, intimate school and require little homework. Your child's absence is noticed and affects the learning. There are 30 class sessions in the year. Each session is 2 hours, with a 15-minute break and a 15-minute assembly. If your child is going to be late or to miss school, please call the School Director *in advance*. **We expect that your commitment to Kehilla will take precedence over other commitments including sports, drama, music or other extracurricular activities.**

Your enrollment preferences will be honored on a first-come-first-served basis. While you can indicate your *preferred* class day, we wish to maintain balanced, intimate class sizes and may not be able to accommodate your first choice. PLEASE be flexible and patient. We may not have space the day you requested.

Hopefully, this letter and the enclosed materials will answer most of your questions about registration for the 2008-09 school year. If not, please call (510) 547-2424 ext. 100.

B'Shalom,

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Kehilla School Rosh