



July 11, 2017

17 Tammuz 5777

Dear Potential *Madrichim* (and Their Parents),

We are fortunate to have teenagers who are active participants in our congregation and who model Jewish values for our younger students. *Madrichim* are our support and extra hands, eyes, and ears for our teachers. *Madrichim* serve our Youth Education Programs in a myriad of ways: sharing a story with the children, helping out with a project, walking child to the office, tutoring a child in Hebrew, and participating with the children as they learn: in class, singing new songs, attend services, etc.

We hope you will consider joining us as a *Madrich(a)* this year!

Important dates to note:

Application deadline = August 15, 2017

Madrichim Interviews = Individual Appointments

Madrichim Orientation = TBD (most likely Sunday, August 27, 2017)

Welcome back / First day of classes = Saturday, September 9, 2017 and/or Thursday,
October 19, 2017

We also have some wonderful post Bar/Bat Mitzvah learning opportunities you may be interested in this year. If so, please download the registration forms from our website or contact me for more information.

On Shabbat mornings, Amanda Russell (our returning Rabbinic intern) will guide you in leadership development and ways to be active in the Jewish community. She will meet with *Madrichim* from 9:30-10:30 a.m. on: Oct. 14, Nov. 4, Dec. 9, Jan. 13, Feb. 10, March 10, April 14, and May 12.

On Thursday evenings, Noa Bar (beloved B'nai Mitzvah tutor), 6:00-8:00 p.m. You are invited to join the congregation's minyan service at 6:00, followed by a light dinner and learning with Noa. You will help provide input to guide the topics that are discussed in class each month. Sessions will take place on: Sept. 14, Oct. 26, Nov. 16, Dec. 14 (CBS Hanukkah Party), Jan. 25, Feb. 22, March 22, April 26, and May 17.

David Agam continues as our Youth Group Advisor, he will be in touch with you (if he hasn't already) about your involvement in Kadima and USY. Stay tuned for additional information about those programs toward the end of the summer.

If you are interested in joining us as a *Madrich(a)*, please complete the enclosed application and return it to me by August 15. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

L'shalom,

Rebecca Goodman



Madrichim Program FAQ

Madrich / Madricha / Madrichim / Madrichot – What??

- The Hebrew word מְדַרֵּיך (madrich) means instructor or guide. The word is conjugated as follows:
 - מְדַרֵּיך Madrich = masculine/singular
 - מְדַרִּיכָה Madricha = feminine/singular
 - מְדַרִּיכִים Madrichim = masculine/plural
 - מְדַרִּיכוֹת Madrichot = feminine/plural

It doesn't sound fair, but in Hebrew if there is a mixed group of boys and girls, the masculine plural form of a noun is used.

Who can be a Madrich/a and what does a Madrich/a do?

- Students who have become Bar/Bat Mitzvah and are currently in grades 8-12.
- Build your leadership skills!
- Continue your own Jewish learning:
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- In the classroom you may do the following..
 - Interactive Tasks: Greet students as they enter the classroom; Help students with projects & class work; Lead groups during small-group activities; Lead transitions between activities; Plan (with teacher), create, and teach mini-lessons; Read stories; Work one-on-one with students who need extra help
 - Administrative Tasks: Set up the classroom; Take attendance; Collect tzedakah; Pass out papers; Set up snack; Manage incentive charts; Prepare supplies for future activities; Reset room at end of day

What considerations are used in making Madrichim placements?

- The request of the *Madrich/a*, as written on your application form.
- The training, knowledge, and experience of the *Madrich/a*.
- The schedule and availability of the *Madrich/a*.
- The age of the students in the class.
- The request of the teacher (if applicable).
- The curriculum (subject matter) of the class.
- The needs of the school.

How much money do Madrichim earn?

- SF Minimum Wage = \$14/hour