

HOME EDUCATION PROGRAM COURSE CATALOG

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL: K-4

Kindergarden

TORA THROUGH SONGS, LEVEL ALEF

Course Description: Designed for young learners in kindergarten, Level Alef introduces children to the joy of Torah through engaging songs. This level covers basic Torah stories, introduces fundamental Lashon Kodesh terms, and teaches students the Hebrew days of the week, colors, months, and more. Through melodies, children will learn about Jewish holidays, avot and eemot, history of the world, and the simple Shabbat laws in a fun and memorable way.

Duration: Full year, two semesters with break in-between.

Times per week: Twice per week

ART I

Course Description: In our Art class, children dive into the world of colors and shapes, expressing themselves through various artistic mediums. Each session is an adventure in creativity, focusing on drawing, painting, and collage work. The activities are designed to stimulate fine motor skills, visual-spatial awareness, and emotional expression. By engaging in art twice a week, students continually develop their artistic skills and personal expression, fostering a deep appreciation for beauty and detail.

Duration: Full year, four quarters with breaks in-between.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

HEBREW LETTER STORIES

Course Description: Our Hebrew Letter Stories class introduces children to the Hebrew alphabet through enchanting stories and interactive activities. Each week, a new Hebrew letter is brought to life with a narrative that encapsulates its sound, shape, and a related word or concept from Torah tradition. This approach helps children form a personal connection to the letters, making the learning process joyful and memorable. The stories also enhance their listening and comprehension skills, setting a strong foundation for further language learning. Each session is accompanied by a hands-on and movement activity to reinforce learning material.

Duration: Full year, two semesters with break in-between.

Times per week: Once per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

PRACTICAL ARTS

Course Description: The Practical Arts class offers young learners hands-on experiences with real-life skills. In cooking, children follow simple recipes, learning about ingredients and basic cooking techniques while developing a sense of accomplishment and self-sufficiency. Beeswax modeling and handknitting are crafts

that improve fine motor skills, patience, and creativity. These activities are not only enjoyable but also instill in children the values of care, precision, and dedication.

Duration: Full year, two semesters with break in-between.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

CHAGIM AND SHABBAT I

Course Description: Our Chagim and Shabbatot class explores the rich tapestry of Jewish holidays and Shabbat through fun stories, songs, and activities. Each session is designed to teach children about the significance and traditions of each holiday, from Rosh Hashanah to Pesach, and weekly Shabbat observances. The curriculum is filled with engaging content that includes crafting holiday-specific artifacts, enacting biblical stories, and singing traditional songs. This class not only educates but also helps instill a strong sense of Jewish identity and community in our young learners.

Duration: Full year, two semesters with break in-between.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

PRE-MATH

Course Description: In our Pre-Math class, young learners explore the concept of numbers through non-symbolic representation, focusing on understanding quantities without relying on written numerals. This class emphasizes the intuitive grasp of number sizes and relationships through movement and sensory activities. Children engage in counting through actions, such as stacking blocks, grouping natural objects, or moving to specific spots in a sequence, which helps them internalize what numbers represent in real-world terms.

Duration: Full year, two semesters with break in-between.

Times per week: Twice per week

1st GRADE

LEARNING TORAH THROUGH SONGS, LEVEL BEIT

Class Description: Level Bet builds on the foundation set in Level Alef, tailored for 1st graders. In this level, students delve deeper into the stories of the Torah, exploring the names and lives of key biblical figures through songs. It also includes Tehillim, some Hebrew prayers, Lashon Kodesh words and phrases, enhancing their connection to Jewish prayers and traditions.

Duration: Full year, two semesters **Times per week:** Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

ART II

Class Description: In Art II for first-grade students, the creative journey continues with a focus on natural mediums and techniques that inspire imagination and self-expression. Building upon the foundational skills from Art I, young artists explore watercolor painting, learning the wet-on-wet technique to create beautiful and vibrant compositions. Through abstract paintings and playful color exploration, students communicate emotions and ideas using shapes, colors, and textures. Classes are conducted twice a week throughout the full year, nurturing creativity, developing fine motor skills, and fostering an appreciation for the natural world. Each session, conducted via Zoom, lasts for 45 minutes, ensuring engaging instruction and personalized guidance tailored to the unique needs of young learners.

Duration: Full year, two semesters **Times per week:** Twice per week

TORAH MATH

Class Description: In "Torah Math" for first-grade students, young learners embark on an exciting mathematical journey infused with Torah-inspired concepts and stories. Through engaging activities and interactive lessons, students explore foundational math skills while discovering connections to Jewish tradition and values. From counting with blessings to measuring with biblical units, students develop numerical fluency and problem-solving abilities within the context of Torah narratives and rituals. Emphasis is placed on cultivating a love for learning and a deeper understanding of mathematical concepts through hands-on exploration and meaningful connections to Jewish heritage.

Duration: Full year, two semesters **Times per week:** Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

PERFORMING ARTS I

Class Description: In Performing Arts I, students embark on a musical journey as they learn to play the pentatonic flute, a gentle and melodious instrument that introduces them to the world of music. Through hands-on instruction and guided practice, students develop basic flute-playing techniques, including breath control, finger placement, and tone production. Emphasis is placed on fostering a love for music, building confidence, and nurturing a sense of musical expression and creativity.

Duration: Full year, two semesters **Times per week:** Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

CHUMASH AND MIDRASH I

Class Description: In Chumash and Midrash I for first graders, young learners embark on an enriching exploration of Torah narratives and Midrashic tales, engaging in hands-

on projects, meaningful discussions, and creative activities that bring the stories to life. Through weekly study of the Parshiot, students delve into the timeless lessons and values found in the Chumash, accompanied by interactive projects that deepen their understanding and connection to the text. Additionally, students explore Midrashic stories that complement each Parsha, illuminating the text with imaginative interpretations and insights. Emphasis is placed on fostering a love for Torah study, building foundational knowledge of Jewish texts, and nurturing a sense of wonder and curiosity about the rich tapestry of Jewish tradition.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom Medium: Online/Zoom

CHAGIM AND SHABBATH II

Class Description: In Chagim and Shabbat Level II, first graders embark on an immersive journey through Jewish holidays and Shabbat traditions. Through hands-on projects, discussions, and games, students explore the significance of each holiday and Shabbat, enriched with stories from the Torah tradition. From the miracles of Chanukah to the exodus story of Passover, students connect with narratives that underpin Jewish celebrations, fostering a sense of connection to their heritage.

Each week, students engage in practical activities like crafting holiday symbols and playing holiday-themed games, reinforcing their learning and nurturing a love for Jewish traditions.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

SPANISH I

Class Description: ¡Bienvenidos a Spanish I! In this immersive course tailored for young learners, students embark on an exciting journey into the rich tapestry of the Spanish language and culture. Through a dynamic blend of rhymes, songs, and tongue twisters, students are captivated by the rhythm and melody of the language, fostering an early appreciation for its beauty and cadence. With a special focus on foundational concepts such as numbers, colors, family, greetings, animals, and weather, students engage in interactive activities designed to deepen their understanding and mastery of essential vocabulary and phrases. Each lesson is carefully crafted to provide a lively and

stimulating learning experience, encouraging active participation and fostering a sense of confidence in speaking, listening, and understanding basic Spanish expressions.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

FRENCH I

Class Description: Welcome to French I! In this interactive course designed for young learners, students embark on an enchanting journey into the world of French language and culture. Through captivating songs, rhymes, poems, and hands-on exercises, students immerse themselves in the melodic sounds and rhythms of the French language, igniting a passion for linguistic discovery. With a special focus on essential themes such as numbers, colors, fruit, vegetables, family, animals, weather, and basic greetings, students explore foundational vocabulary and phrases in a dynamic and engaging environment. Each lesson is thoughtfully designed to foster active participation and hands-on learning, providing students with the confidence to express themselves and interact in French with ease.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

ARABIC I

Class Description: In this interactive course tailored for young learners, students embark on an exciting journey into the captivating world of the Arabic language and culture. Through engaging songs, rhythmic rhymes, evocative poems, and focused pronunciation exercises, students immerse themselves in the rich sounds and linguistic nuances of Arabic, fostering a deep appreciation for this ancient language. With a special emphasis on mastering pronunciation alongside essential themes such as numbers, colors, family, greetings, animals, weather, and basic phrases, students explore foundational vocabulary and expressions in a dynamic and immersive environment. Each lesson is carefully crafted to promote active participation and

hands-on learning, providing students with the confidence to articulate themselves clearly and interact in Arabic with confidence.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

GERMAN I

Class Description: Willkommen to German I! In this dynamic course tailored for young learners, students embark on an exciting journey into the world of the German language and culture. Through immersive songs, rhythmic rhymes, engaging poems, and focused pronunciation exercises, students delve into the rich sounds and linguistic intricacies of German, fostering a deep appreciation for this influential language. With a special emphasis on mastering pronunciation alongside essential themes such as numbers, colors, family, greetings, animals, weather, and basic phrases, students explore foundational vocabulary and expressions in an interactive setting. Each lesson is thoughtfully designed to encourage active participation and hands-on learning, empowering students to communicate confidently and interact in German with ease.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

RUSSIAN I

Class Description: In this captivating course designed for young learners, students embark on an enchanting journey into the world of the Russian language and culture. Through engaging songs, rhythmic rhymes, evocative poems, and focused pronunciation exercises, students immerse themselves in the rich sounds and linguistic nuances of Russian, fostering a deep appreciation for this fascinating language. With a special emphasis on mastering pronunciation alongside essential themes such as numbers, colors, family, greetings, animals, weather, and basic phrases, students explore foundational vocabulary and expressions in a dynamic and immersive environment. Each lesson is carefully crafted to promote active participation and hands-on learning, providing students with the confidence to articulate themselves clearly and interact in Russian with confidence.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

HANDWORK AND COOKING

Class Description: Welcome to Parsha Crafts and Cooking! In this unique course, students explore the weekly Torah portion through creative hands-on projects and culinary adventures. Each week, students delve into the themes and stories of the Parsha, drawing inspiration for their craft and cooking activities.

From crafting artistic representations of Parsha scenes to preparing dishes inspired by the themes and foods mentioned in the Torah portion, students engage in a multidimensional exploration of Jewish tradition and values. Through hands-on projects, students not only deepen their understanding of the Parsha but also develop practical skills in crafting and cooking.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

NATURE STUDIES

Class Description: In this immersive course, students embark on an exploration of the natural world through observation, inquiry, and hands-on experiences. Each week, students venture outdoors to observe and study the flora, fauna, and landscapes of our surroundings. Through guided nature walks, field trips, and outdoor activities, students develop a deeper understanding of ecological principles, biodiversity, and environmental stewardship. From identifying plant and animal species to investigating ecological systems and conservation efforts, students engage in scientific inquiry and critical thinking to better understand their role in the natural world.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes plus additional time for nature walks – approx. two hours.

Medium: Hybrid: zoom + parent-lead nature walks

LANGUAGE ARTS I

Class Description: Welcome to Language Arts I! In this enchanting course, students are immersed in a rich world of oral storytelling, rhythmic language, and artistic expression. Through imaginative stories, Midrash tales, and nature-based themes, students develop language skills organically, engaging their senses and nurturing their creativity. Using storytelling, puppetry, and dramatic play, students explore the sounds and rhythms of language, building vocabulary and comprehension in a natural and playful way. Through artistic activities such as drawing, painting, and modeling, students deepen their connection to language and literature, expressing their understanding through visual and tactile mediums.

Class Duration: One year, two semesters

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

SHULCHAN ARUCH I

Class Description: In this foundational course, students are introduced to the timeless teachings and customs of Jewish law and tradition in a developmentally appropriate manner. Through engaging stories, interactive discussions, and hands-on activities, students begin to explore the basic principles of Jewish practice and observance. With a focus on practical application and experiential learning, students delve into topics such as blessings, Shabbat customs, and holiday traditions, fostering a sense of connection to Jewish rituals and values. Through guided activities and role-playing, students learn to enact rituals and perform mitzvot in accordance with halacha.

Class Duration: One year, two semesters

Times per week: Twice per week

2nd Grade

TORAH THROUGH SONGS, LEVEL GIMMEL

Class Description: For 2nd graders, Level Gimmel offers a more advanced exploration of Torah stories and Jewish concepts through music. This level covers a broader range of Lashon Kodesh terms, more detailed aspects of the Hebrew calendar, and dives deeper into the significance of Jewish holidays. Children will also learn facts about history of Israel and Judea, more verses from Tehillim, all integrated through captivating songs.

Duration: Full year, two semesters with break in-between.

Times per week: Twice per week

Medium: Online/Zoom

CHAGIM AND SHABBAT III

Class Description: Welcome to Chagim and Shabbat III for First Grade! In this engaging course, students deepen their understanding and appreciation of Jewish holidays and Shabbat traditions, building upon the knowledge acquired in previous levels. Through interactive lessons, captivating stories, and hands-on activities, students explore the significance of each holiday and Shabbat observance in the Jewish calendar.

With a focus on experiential learning and practical application, students delve into the rituals, customs, and symbols associated with each holiday and Shabbat. From the joyous celebrations of Rosh Hashanah and Sukkot to the solemn reflections of Yom Kippur and Tisha B'Av, students learn to honor and observe these sacred occasions with reverence and joy.

Times per week: Twice per week

SHULCHAN ARUCH II

Class Description: Welcome to Shulchan Aruch II for First Grade! Building upon the foundational teachings introduced in Shulchan Aruch I, students continue their exploration of Jewish law and tradition with a deeper focus on practical observance and ethical conduct. Through interactive lessons, engaging stories, and hands-on experiences, students deepen their understanding of mitzvot and Jewish customs. In this course, students delve into topics such as kashrut, tzedakah, and interpersonal relationships, learning the significance of these mitzvot in daily life. Through experiential learning activities and discussions, students develop practical skills and ethical awareness, preparing them to live a life guided by Torah values.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

OBSERVATION ART I

Class Description: In this dynamic course, students engage in a variety of creative activities designed to enhance their observational skills and ignite their imagination. Through storytelling, games, and puzzles, students embark on a journey of discovery, exploring the world around them in new and exciting ways.

Using the power of narrative, students learn to observe and interpret the world around them, uncovering hidden details and finding inspiration in everyday scenes. Through interactive games and puzzles, students sharpen their observation skills while having fun and collaborating with their peers.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

LANGUAGE ARTS II

Class Description: In this enchanting course, students continue their journey of language and literacy through the holistic and creative approach. Through storytelling, artistic expression, and imaginative play, students deepen their understanding and appreciation of language in all its forms.

Drawing inspiration from rich literary traditions and oral storytelling, students engage in the exploration of legends, and stories from from Midrash, Chumash, and Gemarrah. Through dramatic play, puppetry, and creative writing, students bring these stories to life, developing their language skills while nurturing their creativity and imagination.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

TORAH MATH II

Class Description: In this engaging course, students continue their exploration of mathematical concepts through the lens of Jewish tradition and wisdom. Building upon the foundational principles introduced in Torah Math I, students delve deeper into mathematical concepts while discovering their relevance to Jewish life and learning. Through interactive lessons, problem-solving activities, and real-world applications, students explore mathematical topics such as arithmetic, geometry, and measurement. Using Torah-based examples and scenarios, students learn to apply mathematical principles to practical situations, deepening their understanding of both mathematical concepts and Jewish values.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

NATURE STUDIES

Class Description: Welcome to Nature Studies! In this dynamic course, students will embark on an exploration of the natural world, engaging in a variety of indoor and outdoor activities designed to foster curiosity and connection with nature. Through hands-on experiences, interactive lessons, and field trips, students will investigate the wonders of the environment, from plants and animals to weather and ecosystems. They will learn to observe, identify, and appreciate the biodiversity of their

surroundings while developing a deeper understanding of ecological concepts and principles.

Indoor activities may include classroom discussions, experiments, and projects focused on topics such as plant growth, animal adaptations, and environmental conservation. Outdoor activities will take students into nature reserves, parks, and gardens, where they will engage in field observations, nature walks, and hands-on exploration.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

SPANISH II

Class Description: ¡Bienvenidos a Spanish II! In this engaging course, students will build upon their foundation in the Spanish language while incorporating Jewish culture and values into their learning journey. Continuing the immersive approach of Spanish I, students will further develop their language skills through songs, stories, and interactive activities.

Throughout Spanish II, students will expand their vocabulary and grammar knowledge, focusing on more advanced topics such as verb conjugations, sentence structures, and conversational phrases. Emphasis will be placed on practical communication skills, allowing students to express themselves with greater fluency and accuracy.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

FRENCH II

Class Description: Bienvenue à French II! In this enriching course, students will continue their exploration of the French language and culture with a focus on integrating Jewish values and Torah-based living. Building upon the foundational skills

acquired in French I, students will immerse themselves in the language through the joyful mediums of songs, poems, rhymes, and tongue twisters.

Throughout French II, students will deepen their understanding of French vocabulary and grammar, with an emphasis on basic letters and simple written words. Through engaging activities and interactive lessons, students will expand their linguistic proficiency while also integrating Jewish culture and values into their language learning journey.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

GERMAN II

Class Description: Welcome to German II: Language and Jewish Culture! In this dynamic course, students deepen their exploration of the German language while immersing themselves in Jewish themes and values. Building on the foundation laid in German I, students refine their skills in reading, writing, listening, and speaking German within the context of Jewish culture and tradition.

Throughout German II, students engage with authentic German language materials that reflect Jewish cultural traditions, history, and values. Through interactive activities such as storytelling, music, games, and role-playing, students explore German texts with a focus on Jewish contexts, incorporating vocabulary related to Torah-based lifestyle, Jewish holidays, rituals, and customs.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

RUSSIAN II

Class Description: Welcome to Russian II: Exploring Language in a Jewish Context! In this enriching course, students continue their exploration of the Russian language within the framework of Jewish culture and tradition. Building upon the foundations established in Russian I, students deepen their proficiency in reading, writing, listening,

and speaking Russian while also integrating Jewish themes and values into their language study.

In Russian II, students engage with Russian language materials that reflect Jewish cultural traditions, holidays, and values. Through storytelling, songs, games, and role-playing activities, students explore Russian language texts with a focus on Jewish context, incorporating vocabulary related to Torah-based lifestyle, Jewish holidays, rituals, and customs.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

PERFORMING ARTS II

Class Description: In this delightful course designed for second graders, students continue their musical journey with the enchanting pentatonic flute. Building upon the foundational skills acquired in Performing Arts I, students deepen their understanding of music theory and performance techniques while immersing themselves in the soothing melodies of the pentatonic scale.

Throughout Performing Arts II, students learn to play the pentatonic flute with grace and precision, honing their breath control, finger coordination, and listening skills. Through a variety of engaging activities such as rhythmic exercises, call-and-response games, and ensemble playing, students develop their musical expression and ensemble skills.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

HANDWORK AND COOKING

Class Description: In this engaging course tailored for second graders, students embark on a hands-on journey of creativity, craftsmanship, and culinary exploration, all inspired by the weekly Torah portions. Through a blend of artistic handwork and culinary delights, students deepen their connection to Jewish tradition while honing their practical skills. Throughout Handwork and Cooking, students engage in a variety of projects that reflect the themes and lessons of the weekly Torah portions. From crafting textile masterpieces through finger knitting to preparing delicious dishes inspired by biblical stories, students delve into the rich tapestry of Jewish heritage while nurturing their creativity and practical abilities.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

SCIENCE I: EXPERIMENTS AND FUN

Class Description: Welcome to Science I: Experiments and Fun! In this exciting course tailored for young learners, students dive into the wonders of the natural world through hands-on experiments and engaging activities. Through a blend of exploration, discovery, and fun, students develop a foundational understanding of scientific concepts while fostering a love for inquiry and discovery. Throughout Science I, students participate in a wide range of experiments and activities designed to ignite their curiosity and spark their imagination. From exploring the properties of matter to investigating the forces of nature, students engage in interactive experiments that allow them to observe, question, and learn about the world around them.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

CHUMASH AND MIDRASH II

Class Description: In this engaging course, students will delve deeper into the study of Chumash (the Hebrew Bible) and Midrashic literature, building upon the foundational knowledge acquired in Chumash and Midrash I. Through a combination of textual

study, discussion, and interpretation, students will explore selected passages from the Torah and delve into the rich tapestry of Midrashic commentary.

Throughout Chumash and Midrash II, students will engage in close reading and analysis of biblical texts, examining the language, themes, and narrative structures within the Torah. Additionally, students will explore Midrashic interpretations of these texts, gaining insight into the ancient rabbinic perspectives on biblical stories and teachings.

Times per week: Twice per week

3rd Grade

TORAH THROUGH SONGS, LEVEL DALET

Class Description: Level Dalet, designed for 3rd graders, enriches students' understanding of the Torah and Jewish life. This course focuses on memorization of passages from Chumash, names of books of Mishna and Gemarrah, additional Tehilim, and more Torah facts. These activities help students develop their memorization skills, musical ear, and connect emotionally and spiritually with their heritage.

Duration: Full year, two semesters with break in-between.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes

Medium: Zoom

LANGUAGE ARTS III

Class Description: Welcome to Language Arts III! In this Waldorf-inspired course, students will continue their journey through the world of language and literature, exploring the rich tapestry of storytelling, poetry, and creative expression. Through a holistic approach to language arts, students will engage in a variety of activities designed to nurture their imagination, communication skills, and love of learning. Drawing inspiration from Waldorf pedagogy, lessons will be infused with

rhythm, movement, and artistic expression to engage students on multiple levels of

sensory experience.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

ART III

Class Description: Welcome to Art III! In this dynamic course, students will continue their exploration of artistic expression through a variety of mediums and techniques.

Embracing the principles of creativity and self-expression, students will delve deeper into their artistic journey, honing their skills and expanding their creative horizons. Throughout Art III, students will engage in a wide range of artistic activities, including drawing, painting, sculpting, and mixed media projects. They will explore various themes and subjects, drawing inspiration from nature, culture, and personal experiences.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

CHUMASH AND MIDRASH III

Class Description: Welcome to Chumash and Midrash III! In this engaging course, students will deepen their understanding of the weekly Torah portions through exploration of Chumash texts and Midrashic interpretations. Through a variety of interactive activities, students will delve into the stories and teachings of the Torah while expanding their Hebrew vocabulary and strengthening their connection to Jewish tradition.

Each week, students will explore a different parsha, delving into its narrative, laws, and ethical teachings. Through guided discussions, games, puzzles, and creative plays, students will unpack the lessons and themes embedded within the text, fostering critical thinking and spiritual reflection.

In addition to textual study, students will engage with Midrashic literature, exploring the imaginative interpretations and insights of ancient sages. Through storytelling, role-playing, and artistic expression, students will bring the Midrashic tales to life, deepening their understanding of the Torah's timeless wisdom.

Times per week: Twice per week

HALAKHAH III

Class Description: Welcome to Halakhah III for 3rd graders! In this engaging course, students will explore basic concepts of Jewish law and practice in a fun and interactive learning environment. Through stories, games, and hands-on activities, students will learn about Shabbat, kosher laws, and other important aspects of Jewish observance. Each week, students will explore a different topic related to Jewish law, such as blessings, tzedakah (charity), and the Jewish calendar. Through discussions and group activities, students will gain a deeper understanding of how these laws are applied in their daily lives.

With a focus on experiential learning and practical application, Halakhah III will empower students to develop a strong foundation in Jewish law while fostering a sense of connection to their heritage. Join us as we embark on a journey of discovery and exploration in Halakhah III for 3rd graders!

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

SHULCHAN ARUCH III

Class Description: In this interactive course, 3rd-grade students will continue their exploration of Jewish laws and customs as outlined in the Shulchan Aruch, the Code of Jewish Law. Through engaging activities, discussions, and projects, students will deepen their understanding of practical Halakhic observance and its significance in Jewish life.

Throughout the course, students will explore various aspects of Jewish daily life, including blessings, holiday observance, and ethical behavior. Using age-appropriate texts and resources, students will learn about the importance of mitzvot (commandments) and how they shape Jewish identity and community.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

TORAH MATH III

Class Description: In Torah Math III, students will build upon their foundational math skills while delving deeper into mathematical concepts such as addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division. Using manipulatives, rhythmic movement, and artistic

expression, students will develop a deeper understanding of mathematical operations and their practical applications.

Through the integration of Torah-based themes and stories, students will discover the beauty and significance of mathematical patterns and concepts in the world around them. They will explore the mathematical dimensions of Jewish holidays, sacred geometry, and numerical symbolism found in the Torah.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

NATURE STUDY III

Class Description: In this immersive course, 3rd-grade students will continue their exploration of the natural world through hands-on experiences and outdoor adventures. Building upon their previous knowledge, students will delve deeper into the wonders of nature, fostering a deeper connection to the environment and the world around them.

In Nature Study III, students will engage in a variety of outdoor activities, including nature walks, plant identification, and wildlife observation. Through exploration and discovery, students will learn about the ecosystems, habitats, and biodiversity of local flora and fauna.

With a focus on inquiry-based learning and scientific investigation, students will conduct experiments, make observations, and record their findings in nature journals. They will explore ecological concepts such as food chains, adaptation, and conservation, gaining a deeper understanding of their role as stewards of the Earth.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

OBSERVATION ART II

Class Description: Observation Art II is a dynamic course designed to sharpen students' observational skills and enhance their ability to engage with their environment in creative and investigative ways. Building on the skills developed in Observation Art I, this course will introduce more complex activities that challenge students to notice subtle details, find lost objects, and think critically about the spaces around them. Throughout the course, students will participate in a variety of exercises

such as scavenger hunts, mystery solving games, and camouflage activities where they must blend into unusual environments. These activities are designed to improve students' attention to detail, spatial awareness, and logical reasoning.

Additionally, the course will incorporate elements of map reading, clue gathering, and code breaking to simulate detective work. Students will learn strategies for quick thinking and efficient observation, skills that are valuable in both academic and everyday contexts. Group projects will encourage teamwork and communication, as students collaborate to solve intricate puzzles and locate hidden items within a given timeframe. The course will also include reflective sessions where students discuss their strategies and learnings, fostering an environment of continuous improvement and mutual support.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes

Medium: Zoom

SPANISH III

Class Description: Students will enhance their Spanish language skills while incorporating Jewish lifestyle terminology and scenarios reflective of a Torah-observant lifestyle. This class is designed for students who already have a foundational understanding of Spanish and are ready to tackle more complex grammatical structures and vocabulary. Throughout the course, students will explore various aspects of daily life and religious practice within Jewish communities in Spanish-speaking countries. Topics will include preparing and participating in Shabbat, understanding the significance of and celebrating Jewish holidays such as Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, and learning about the customs surrounding kosher food practices. Roleplaying activities will help students practice conversations for visiting a synagogue, shopping in a kosher market, and discussing family and community life in Spanish. Additionally, students will engage with Jewish literature and media in Spanish to deepen their cultural understanding and language skills. By the end of this course, students will be able to confidently communicate in Spanish about both general and Torah-specific topics, enriching their ability to participate in Spanish-speaking Jewish communities.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes

Medium: Zoom

FRENCH III

Class Description: This course will deepen students' understanding of the language while integrating Jewish lifestyle terminology and contexts relevant to a Torahobservant lifestyle. Students will expand their vocabulary and improve their grammatical accuracy through the study of complex sentence structures and verb tenses. The curriculum will include discussions and readings about daily activities within a Jewish home, such as observing Shabbat, celebrating Jewish holidays like Pesach and Sukkot, and understanding kosher dietary laws. Students will engage in role-playing exercises that simulate visiting a kosher market in France, preparing for Jewish festivals, and participating in community prayers. This class aims to not only enhance students' fluency in French but also to provide them with the linguistic tools to discuss and participate in Torah-observant practices in a French-speaking setting. By the end of the course, students will be more confident in their French communication skills and will have a richer understanding of how French language and Jewish lifestyle intertwine.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes

Medium: Zoom

GERMAN III

Class Description: In this class students will embark on a cultural and linguistic adventure through the heart of Germany. They will begin to understand the basics of German grammar and sentence structure, enhancing their ability to form simple sentences. The curriculum includes engaging with classic German children's songs, poems, and short stories, which will aid in vocabulary expansion and pronunciation skills. Students will explore themes such as daily routines, family, and hobbies, helping them to use German in real-life contexts. Cultural aspects will also be integrated, offering insights into German traditions, festivals, and customs. Interactive activities, such as role-playing and group discussions, will encourage conversation skills and boost confidence in speaking German. By the end of the course, students will have a solid foundation in the German language and an appreciation for its cultural richness.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes

Medium: Zoom

RUSSIAN III

Class Description: In this class students will be introduced to the system of Cyrillic writing in addition to continuing to study songs, poems, tongue twisters, and rhymes. The children will learn more facts about Russian and Slavic culture. The will listen to native speakers and master such topics as personal introductions, going to the store, travelling to Russia, asking questions and understanding answers about the weather, family, calendar, and time.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

SCIENCE II: EXPERIMENTS AND FUN - ADVANCED

Class Description: During the second year of science experiments students will be introduced to the song of periodic table and memorize all the elements, continue working on physics, chemistry, and biology projects through individual and team hands-on projects. They will work with wood, metals, gemstones, and will even make a dorodango! Join us for this exciting adventure of discovery, fun, and lasting memories!

Times per week: Twice per week



TORAH THROUGH SONGS, LEVEL HEY

Class Description: In Level Hey, tailored for 4th graders, students reach a culminating point in their journey of learning Torah through songs. A review of the 5-year program takes place activating students' mastery of Torah facts and Tehillim.

Duration: Full year, two semesters with break in-between.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

LANGUAGE ARTS IV

Class Description: In the 4th year of language arts instruction, students will reinforce their knowledge of parts of speech, basic rules of punctuation, simple and complex sentences, and verb tenses. Spelling bee weekly practice will strengthen their word skills. They will be journaling their weekly experiences and sharing their creative spirit with class mates in writing short stories based on their topics of interest.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes
Medium: Online/Zoom

ART IV

Class Description: In their 4th year, students will be introduced to various forms of new classical and new media arts. Every two weeks a new medium will be introduced with the goal to create a gallery art showing at the end of each semester. Students will be using such materials as watercolor, gauche, chalk, watercolor pens, and oil pastels. Art projects will be themed based on the parsha stories of Chumash and Jewish holidays.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

CHUMASH AND MIDRASH IV

Class Description: During year four, students will be introduced to a new dimension of stories from Chumash, with Rashi's commentaries and fascinating additions from

Midrash. Students will learn through hands-on projects.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

HALAKHAH IV

Class Description: Halakhah IV for 4th graders is an interactive course designed to introduce young students to the principles of Jewish law through engaging activities, games, and puzzles. This course covers essential aspects of daily and seasonal observances, making complex topics accessible and enjoyable.

Students will explore the fundamental halakhot (laws) of Shabbat, kashrut (dietary laws), and Jewish holidays through storytelling, hands-on activities, and interactive role-playing scenarios. For example, they might play a game that involves sorting foods into kosher and non-kosher categories or use puzzle pieces to assemble the correct sequence of actions for lighting Shabbat candles.

The course will also include problem-solving activities where students work together to navigate hypothetical scenarios based on real-life situations, such as planning a kosher meal or determining what to do if they find lost property. These activities will help them apply halakhic concepts in practical, age-appropriate ways.

Additionally, students will engage with simplified texts and visual aids that explain the origins and reasons behind various halakhot. This approach helps to foster a deeper understanding and appreciation of Jewish traditions and practices.

Times per week: Twice per week

TORAH MATH IV

Class Description: Torah Math IV intertwines traditional grade IV math standards with a holistic approach to learning, using examples from Tanach to bring mathematical concepts to life in a context that resonates with Torah-observant lifestyles. This course is designed to deepen students' understanding of mathematics through engaging, real-world applications tied to their cultural and religious heritage.

Students will explore key mathematical areas such as fractions, decimals, basic geometry, and introductory data analysis. Each concept will be introduced through stories and scenarios from Tanach, such as using the dimensions of Noah's Ark to understand measurements and proportions, or the division of the tribes of Israel to learn about fractions and ratios.

Practical applications will be heavily emphasized, with students using natural materials and real-life tasks. For example, they might calculate the quantities needed for recipes during Pesach, or determine the area required for building a Sukkah, integrating measurements and spatial awareness.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

NATURE STUDY IV

Class Description: Nature Study IV is an advanced course designed to deepen students' knowledge and appreciation of the natural environment through immersive and detailed studies. This course builds on the foundational concepts learned in previous levels, focusing on more complex ecological interactions, conservation efforts, and the detailed study of plant and animal life.

Throughout the semester, students will engage in hands-on fieldwork, which includes identifying plant species, observing wildlife behavior, and understanding the dynamics of different ecosystems. These field trips are designed to encourage direct observation and data collection, critical for scientific inquiry and environmental awareness.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes

Medium: Online/Zoom/In Nature with Parents and Homeschooling Groups

OBSERVATION ART III

Class Description: Observation Art III is designed to elevate students' perceptual skills to a new level, utilizing more intricate and challenging activities. This course emphasizes advanced observation techniques and the application of deductive reasoning skills in various scenarios.

In this course, students will engage in complex detective-style games where they must utilize both keen observation and analytical thinking to solve puzzles. These activities will be more challenging than in previous levels, including multi-step clues and larger-scale simulations that require attention to finer details and critical thinking.

The curriculum includes advanced tracking games, where students learn to observe and interpret signs and trails in different settings. This also involves using technology to enhance their observational capabilities, such as digital photography or basic geographic information systems (GIS) applications to map and analyze their surroundings.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

SPANISH IV

Class Description: Spanish IV invites 4th graders to enhance their conversational Spanish through songs, poems, and dialogues that reflect both the Spanish language and Torah-observant lifestyle. This course focuses on improving listening and speaking skills, with an introduction to basic reading and writing. Students will engage with Spanish songs and poems that incorporate themes from Jewish traditions and daily practices, such as celebrating Shabbat and Jewish holidays. These activities are designed to improve pronunciation and listening comprehension while making learning enjoyable and culturally relevant. Conversations will center on everyday scenarios relevant to Torah-observant living, such as discussing kosher foods, family gatherings, and community events. This approach allows students to practice Spanish in meaningful contexts, building their confidence and fluency.

Times per week: Twice per week

FRENCH IV

Class Description: French IV for 4th graders deepens conversational French through songs and poems that incorporate Jewish traditions, like Shabbat and holiday celebrations. Students will enhance their speaking and listening skills, with an introduction to basic reading and writing. Classroom discussions will cover Torahobservant scenarios, such as kosher dietary practices, helping students apply their French in meaningful contexts. By the end of the course, students will have improved their French communication skills and begun to connect their verbal abilities with reading and writing.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

GERMAN IV

Class Description: German IV for 4th graders strengthens conversational skills and introduces more focused elements of reading and writing in German, all within a framework that incorporates Jewish cultural themes. This course continues to emphasize speaking and listening, while significantly enhancing reading and writing skills. Through German songs and poems that reflect Jewish traditions and daily practices, students will improve their language fluency and comprehension. Classroom discussions and written exercises will explore daily Torah-observant life, such as kosher practices and preparing for Jewish holidays, helping students apply their language skills in culturally relevant contexts. By the end of the course, students will have advanced their overall German language proficiency, with particular improvements in reading and writing, and a deeper cultural understanding.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

RUSSIAN IV

Class Description: Russian IV for 4th graders enhances language skills through an immersive curriculum that combines speaking, listening, reading, and writing in Russian, intertwined with aspects of Jewish culture. This course builds on previous

learning by deepening students' understanding of Russian grammar and vocabulary, while also introducing them to more complex reading and writing tasks. Students will engage with Russian literature, songs, and poems that reflect Jewish traditions and values, helping them connect language learning with cultural insights. Classroom discussions will focus on scenarios relevant to Torah-observant life, such as observing Jewish holidays and understanding kosher food guidelines. By the end of the course, students will have a stronger command of Russian across all language skills and a richer appreciation of its relevance to their cultural practices.

Times per week: Twice per week

Class Period: 30 minutes Medium: Online/Zoom

SCIENCE III: PRINCIPLES OF PHYSICS, CHEMISTRY, AND BIOLOGY

Class Description: Science III: Principles of Physics, Chemistry, and Biology for 4th graders introduces students to the foundational concepts and essential vocabulary in these core scientific fields. This course is designed to cultivate an understanding of basic scientific principles through engaging lessons and hands-on activities. In Physics, students will learn fundamental terminology related to simple forces, energy, and motion. They will explore the meaning of physical quantities and units of measurement, using practical examples to illustrate these concepts. Chemistry will introduce students to the periodic table, familiarizing them with key elements and their symbols. Lessons will cover basic chemical vocabulary and simple reactions to help students understand how elements interact and combine. In Biology, the focus will be on the structural vocabulary of plants, animals, and the human body. Students will learn the names and functions of various parts, enhancing their understanding of how living organisms are organized and operate. Throughout the course, interactive activities and visual aids will help solidify these concepts, making the learning process both enjoyable and educational. By the end of Science III, students will have a solid grasp of basic scientific terminology and concepts, preparing them for more advanced studies in these fields.

Times per week: Twice per week