

TICHON 8th-12th grade PROGRAM

2015-2016/ 5776

Come to class prepared to discuss, examine, contemplate, reflect and consider - and have fun in the process!

NOTE: Classes begin Sunday, October 11

For 8th – 9th Graders

“I just wanted to let you know how much [my daughter] is enjoying this year’s program. She talks about Judaism, Jewish life and ethics more than ever. I am so glad she is being motivated and taking pride in her Jewish education!” - from the parent of an 8th grader, 2010-11



What Does it Mean to be Jewish?

This discussion-based class explores Judaism and Jewish living from a more mature perspective and examines what being Jewish means to us today. This year’s focus includes *Torah* from a more mature perspective. A topical “Whaddya think?” component may also be included.

Meets weekly Sunday afternoons 12:30 – 1:30 p.m. with pizza lunch 12:00 – 12:30 p.m. Classes begin October 11.

Teacher: Margot Valles

For 10th Graders



10th Grade Confirmation

Confirmation is an important event in the Jewish life cycle of young people today. It is the opportunity for young adults to “say yes!” to Judaism, publicly confirming their commitment to the Jewish people. Students will consider the “hows and whys” of Judaism and explore the meaning and significance for themselves as young adults. The class culminates in a *Shavuot* Confirmation Service on Friday, June 17. Meets monthly Sunday mornings 11:15 a.m. – 12:00 noon with rehearsals scheduled in May & June. See calendar for dates

Teacher: Rabbi Amy Bigman

For 10th – 12th Graders

“Rabbs, I can’t wait to join your class!” -overheard from a 9th grader, 2010



Jewish Responses to Life's Challenges

Join Rabbi Bigman to explore what Judaism has to say about the big questions in life. The focus this year will be Comparative Judaism & Comparative Religions, examining the similarities and differences between the different branches of Judaism and the beliefs, practices and teachings of other religions through a Jewish lens. Topical issues and concerns raised by students will also continue to be discussed.

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SAVE THE DATES: Friday, April 29: Graduation & Friday, June 17: Confirmation