



July 15, 2011

Dear Parents of HEA's incoming 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> graders:

Enclosed is your registration form for our post b'nai mitzvah program; Nosh N'Drash.

The 2011-2012 Nosh N'Drash year begins on Thursday, September 8, 2011 at 6pm. Classes are held approximately two times per month each beginning with dinner at 6pm followed by grade level classes until 8pm. The cost for this program is \$300 per student.

Eighth grade students will spend the year exploring Jewish communities, past and present, from around the globe during this dynamic Culture and Heritage class. They will use the fantastic exhibit at The Mizel Museum as a basis for their journey through time and culture. This class taught by Sharon Andersen and Felicia Soifer promises to delight their senses as art, music, literature and food will be featured.

Ninth grade students will spend the year discovering Social Action through a Jewish lens in this Values and Actions class taught by Ben Lindemann. In this class students will explore Jewish values through agencies in our community that exemplify these values. They will also have hands on opportunities to help these amazing organizations.

Tenth graders will spend their "Confirmation" year examining ancient Jewish texts and rabbinic interpretations of these texts in order to help them grapple with the Ethics and Choices they face in their daily lives. This class is taught by Rabbi Gruenwald and Stacy Wasserman. The Confirmation program includes a Shabbat Service and family siyum (closing lesson) at the end of the year as well as a class photo. An extra fee is due for this class of \$36 per student to help defray the costs of the photo (each student receives one) and the siyum/dessert reception.

Nosh N'Drash dates for the 2011-2012 School Year are as follow:

September: 8, 22

November: 3, 17

December: 1, 15

January: 5, 19

February: 2, 16

March: 8, 22

April: 19

May: 3, 17

As always, if you have any questions regarding Nosh N'Drash, please contact me at any time. I look forward to a great year of Noshing and Drashing with your child!

L'Shalom,

*Stacy*

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