



2017-2018 (5778)

Religious School with Honors Application

Level I: Honor Roll

Congregation Emanu-El of the City of New York

Religious School with Honors acknowledges the important role our students play in Temple Emanu-El's community above and beyond our regular weekly program. Students in grades Pre-K-6 must earn five points to qualify for honors status; application forms may be submitted as soon as this is achieved. Points are earned by attending Temple events or special programs outside of Religious School hours. To see a partial list of qualifying events and programs, please consult the other side of this form.

We encourage all students to fill out this form themselves; younger students may get help from an adult.

Name of Student: _____ Grade: _____

Day of Week Attending Religious School: _____

	Date of event	Name of event or program	Something NEW you learned or something MEANINGFUL you experienced by participating
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Signature of Student: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Parent
or Legal Guardian: _____ Date: _____

To be filled out by Religious School office:

Religious School with Honors Approved: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Director or Associate Director of Lifelong Learning: _____

The following is a **partial list of events** which qualify for **Religious School with Honors**. It is not a complete list; if you participated in an event at the Temple **outside of Religious School hours** (Sabbath services, a Tikkun Olam volunteer opportunity, etc.) that you think qualifies—just ask!

SEPTEMBER 2017

Friday	15	Family Dinner & Shabbat Kodesh Family Worship Service
Wednesday	20	<i>Shir Chadash</i> Eve of Rosh Hashanah Service
Thursday	21	Rosh Hashanah Family Worship Service followed by Reception & Tashlich
Friday	29	<i>Shir Chadash</i> Kol Nidrei Worship Service
Saturday	30	Yom Kippur Family Worship Service followed by Activities in the Museum

OCTOBER

Wednesday	4	Sukkot Worship Service
Friday	6	Shabbat Worship Service including farewell to Rabbi Ally Tick Brill
Wednesday	11	Simchat Torah Family Service & Consecration; Family Dinner & Celebration

NOVEMBER

Friday	3	Family Dinner & Shabbat Kodesh Family Worship Service
Sunday	12	Mitzvah Day (Monday students only)

DECEMBER

Monday	18	Chanukah Family Service; Family Dinner & Celebration
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JANUARY 2018

Sunday	21	5 th -6 th Grade Family Bar/Bat Mitzvah Mini-Retreat
Monday	22	PreK-4 th Grade Mini-Mitzvah Day (Sunday students only)
Friday	26	Shabbat Shira Worship Service & Family Dinner

FEBRUARY

Saturday	3	PreK-2 nd Grade Havdalah Pajama Party
Sunday	4	Tribal Cup Competition
Friday	9	Family Dinner & Shabbat Kodesh Family Worship Service

MARCH

Sunday	4	Congregational Purim Shpiel (Monday students only) Purim Carnival
Friday	9	Family Dinner & Shabbat Kodesh Family Worship Service

APRIL

Friday	20	Family Dinner & Shabbat Kodesh Family Worship Service
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MAY

Friday	18	Family Dinner & Shabbat Kodesh Family Worship Service
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In addition, participation in any of the following **programs** earns one point each:

Student Council	5 th -6 th Grade Youth Group
Shofar Blowing Workshop	Annual Student Newspaper
Moadon	Rosh Hodesh
Hebrew Enrichment Skype Tutoring	Tikkun Olam events throughout the year

All Honors students will be **recognized** at Shabbat Worship on May 18, 2018.

NEW THIS YEAR: Once you have been added to the Honor Roll by achieving Religious School with Honors Level I, you can go on to the following Levels:

- Level II: Student Leader
- Level III: Role Model

Each level requires you to participate in five more events and will identify you as a leader in the school community. For more details, contact Rachel Brumberg,

rbrumberg@emanuelnyc.org.

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Level II: Student Leader

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Mazal tov! You have already demonstrated that you are an active member of the Temple community by achieving Religious School with Honors Level I. To earn Level II and become a Student Leader, you will need to participate in five more events, with at least one falling into each of the following categories (the fifth event can fall into any category): Torah, Avodah, G'milut Chasadim and Leadership. For details about the categories, please consult the other side of this form.

Name of Student: _____ Grade: _____ Day of Week Attending Religious School: _____

	Date of event	Name of event or program	Type of event (check one):				What did you experience at this event that connects it to Torah, Avodah, G'milut Chasadim or Leadership?
			Torah (study)	Avodah (worship)	G'milut Chasadim (kind acts)	Leadership	
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Signature of Student: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian: _____ Date: _____

To be filled out by Religious School office:

Approved: _____ Date: _____ Signature of Director or Associate Director of Lifelong Learning: _____

“On three things the world stands. On Torah (study), on Avodah (worship), and on G’milut Chasadim (kind acts)”
--Pirkei Avot 1:2

Pirkei Avot, a book of 2,000-year old Jewish wisdom not found in the Bible, teaches us that the world is built on **Torah, Avodah and G’milut Chasadim**. At Emanu-El, we add **Leadership** as the fourth pillar necessary for a community. Therefore, in order to achieve Religious School with Honors Level II, students must participate in events that fall into one of each of these categories (the fifth event can be from any category). The following is a **partial list of events** which qualify for each category. It is not a complete list; if you participated in an event at the Temple **outside of Religious School hours** that you think qualifies—just ask!

- **Torah (study)**

- Family Shabbat Dinner
- Simchat Torah Family Dinner
- Chanukah Family Dinner
- Purim Carnival
- 5th-6th Grade Bar/Bat Mitzvah Retreat
- Hebrew Enrichment Program
- Moadon
- Rosh Hodesh

- **Avodah (worship)**

- Rosh HaShanah Family Worship Service
- Yom Kippur Family Worship Service
- *Shir Chadash* Worship Service
- Sukkot Worship Service
- Shabbat Kodesh Service
- Shabbat Worship Service
- Shofar Corps
- Sunset Service

- **G’milut Chasadim (kind acts)**

- Sunday Lunch Program Volunteer
- Second Seder Volunteer
- Thanksgiving Dinner Volunteer
- Participate in Winter Wishes program
- Participate in Mitzvah Day (on a day you don’t attend)
- Donate to Coat or Lego Drives
- Early Room Mini Mitzvah Project

- **Leadership**

- Student Council
- Write article for the student newspaper
- Shabbat Kodesh Greeter
- Usher or Greeter for Fifth Avenue Sanctuary Service
- Help at the welcome table at a special program
- Lead Tefilah/music
- Lead classroom activity
- Invite/bring a Temple friend to an event
- Take photos at an event
- Present to classmates on why you participated in Religious School with Honors

NEW THIS YEAR: Once you have become a Student Leader by achieving Religious School with Honors Level II, you can go to earn **Level III: Role Model**. For more details, contact Rachel Brumberg, rbrumberg@emanuelnyc.org.

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Religious School with Honors Application Level III: Role Model

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Mazal tov!! Now that you have proven to be a Student Leader by achieving Religious School with Honors Level II you are ready to go even further in becoming a Role Model by earning Level III. To do so, you will need to participate in five more events from any of the four categories. The final step will be to demonstrate your understanding of Torah, Avodah and G'milut Chasadim by writing an article or making a presentation.

Name of Student: _____ Grade: _____ Day of Week Attending Religious School: _____

	Date of event	Name of event or program	Type of event (check one):				What did you experience at this event that connects it to Torah, Avodah, G'milut Chasadim or Leadership?
			Torah (study)	Avodah (worship)	G'milut Chasadim (kind acts)	Leadership	
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“On three things the world stands. On Torah (study), on Avodah (worship), and on G’milut Chasadim (kind acts)”
--Pirkei Avot 1:2

You have already demonstrated great leadership by participating in so many Temple programs outside of school hours. The **final step** in achieving Level III and becoming a **Role Model** is to demonstrate to the Religious School community your understanding of the connection between Torah, Avodah and G’milut Chasadim, including how your participation in Temple programs helped you reach this understanding. Demonstrations can take the form of a presentation to your class, article for the school newspaper, video for our website, or something else you think of! Completion of this presentation will make you a Role Model for other students in our school. To discuss your plan, and arrange your **Role Model Presentation**, contact Rachel Brumberg, rbrumberg@emanuelnyc.org.

Please briefly describe the format of your Role Model Presentation:

Signature of Student: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian: _____ Date: _____

To be filled out by Religious School office:

Notes: _____

Approved: _____ Date: _____ Signature of Director or Associate Director of Lifelong Learning: _____

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