בנות מנחם Junior High

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"למנות ימינו כן הודע" (תהילים) Let us make every day count!



Bnos Menachem Junior High בס"ד

וברכותי׳ה שנה תחל

Dear Parents,

Welcome to a new year at Bnos Menachem Junior High School.

As the school term approaches, it brings with it our dreams, hopes and aspirations for your daughters, our Talmidos.

At Bnos Menachem we strive to foster a deep connection to Torah and Chassidus through our high level academic and extra curricular programs. Our staff and teachers are dedicated to giving an uncompromised Chinuch to our students. Through masterful teaching and inspiring lessons, they imbue the students with a love and passion for Yiddishkeit.

A new year, a new beginning.

We hope that each student will avail herself of the opportunities to learn, grow, and flourish in our school environment.

Please read the enclosed handbook together with your daughter as it contains pertinent information for our junior high students.

We look forward to a most successful year educating your daughters. Bnos Menachem seeks to provide the tools that enable each student to realize her true potential. Your partnership is extremely valuable and essential in accomplishing this goal.

May we be משיח צדקנו of התגלות of משיח צדקנו now!

Please sign below that you read the Student Handbook with your daughter, and your daughter must bring it signed on the first day of school.

Mrs. Werner	Mrs. Slae	
Parents' signature		

Attendance:

Daily attendance is the foremost factor in a student's success. Absence from Junior High school will impact upon a student's performance and success in school. Excessive absences will be consequential, and will be reflected in the student's grade. School work that was missed must be completed the day after the student's return.

If there are extenuating circumstances and an extended leave is necessary, permission must be obtained in advance from the office. Students will not be allowed to return to school if an extended absence is taken without Hanhala's permission. Teachers will not be able to provide the work or assignments that the student will miss.

Birthdays:

Students are encouraged to celebrate their birthdays in school with their teachers in a Chassidishe way. A student should prepare a Dvar Torah, Hachlata Tova, Tzedakah and

Mezonos to share with her classmates. Pizza or ice cream may not be brought. All birthday farbrengens will take place for 10-15 minutes during the mechaneches's class.

Bas Mitzvah is a truly significant date in a girl's life. In Bnos Menachem we give special attention to our students to prepare them for this momentous occasion.

The girls will אי"ה participate in the exciting activities of "Bas Mitzva Club".

Details will follow.

We expect our girls to celebrate their Bas Mitzvah in a manner which reflects the Chassidishe ideals and standards they are taught at school. As such, we have prepared a guideline which will be distributed at a later date.

Commendations:

We value the academic achievements of our students.

Students who maintain a high level of academic achievement throughout the year, will receive a gold or silver seal on their report card and will IY"H graduate with honors.

Communication:

Communication between parents and school is essential for a student's success. We hope to keep in contact with parents in regard to all matters relating to the Chinuch of our students. Parents are welcome to call the administration at any time to discuss pertinent issues.

Derech Eretz:

דרך ארץ קדמה לתורה

The following are guidelines for appropriate conduct that will ensure a proper learning environment.

- a. Students stand quietly near their seat when a teacher enters the classroom
- Students are ready with materials necessary for class
- c. Students listen to

- d. Students speak only with permission
- e. Students treat all school property with care

Extra-Curricular Activities:

Bnos Chabad plays an important role in the life of a Junior High student in Bnos Menachem. Activities are designed around the Chassidishe calendar and are intended to inspire Chassidishe growth.

We plan to continue the good work of the 'Lend a Hand' Chessed program and Mivtzoim which is directed by our dedicated and talented Bnos Chabad coordinator Miss. Mushka Oster.

Our Junior High annual performances and choirs offer exciting opportunities for our girls to shine.

Food:

Eating and drinking should be limited to recess and lunch time.

We encourage students to bring only healthy snacks to school.

School provides hot lunches that are nutritious and wholesome. Your

comments and suggestions are welcome as the menu is constantly being upgraded in quality.

Good Study Habits:

יגעת ומצאת תאמין

Good study habits are the key to success.

- a. Assignments should be written in a student planner.
- b. Nightly review of daily lessons
- c. Designate a proper time and place to study.

Independent Study:

In Junior High we encourage the girls to grow in their independent learning in addition to the mandatory subjects taught in school. Chidons, Chitas and Cocoa Club are a unique part of our Junior High program. Girls who take advantage of the opportunities offered to them will acquire much knowledge which will be a source of pride for them.

Lateness:

School begins promptly at 9:00 a.m. with a proper Hachana L'Tfilla.

Responsible students make an effort to arrive at school 5 to 10 minutes early.

In the event of a family simcha, students have an extension of up to one hour to arrive at school, **provided** that a note from a parent is brought the day before. Students may not come to school after 10:00 without having received prior permission from a Principal. In the case where a student is unwell and is arriving after 10, a parent must call, beforehand.

Neatness and Organization:

Students must respect the room in which they learn and daven, by keeping it neat and clean. All papers, wrappers and tissues should be discarded in the waste bin and not on the floor. A clean and neat room gives students clarity of mind in learning.

Office

Students will not be allowed to use the office phone, except in the case of an emergency. In instances in which a student leaves assignments or personal items at home, they may not

use the phone. If a student has an appointment, they must bring a note to the office. In a case where there is a change of schedule at school, the office will notify the parents.

Rosh Chodesh

Every Rosh Chodesh we will gather together as a school to daven and have a short program with a Rebbe video, followed by light refreshments. As part of the assembly, a student from each class who excelled during the previous month in middos, hanhagah, limmud, and derech eretz, will be awarded with a certificate as "student of the month" and her name will appear on a bulletin board.

Seder

Guarding the orderliness and structure of the day is one of the fundamental aspects in learning and students success. Students must vigilantly follow the schedule of day, arrive on time and remain in class during sessions.

A student may not come to school riding a scooter. Scooters will be confiscated from those who do.

Tests:

A student who arrives late on the day of a test, will have points deducted from their mark on the test.

A student absent on the day of a test must make it up. A student is responsible upon returning to arrange a date with the teacher to make up the test. Make up tests will be given after school hours at 4:00 PM. Students must arrange transportation and pickup accordingly.

Tznius Appearance

כל כבודה בת מלך פנימה

Tznius in dress reflects the inner refinement and Yiras Shamayim of a Bas Chabad. A close adherence to the standards of tznius in dress impacts the general conduct of a girl.

A Bnos Menachem girl's dress must reflect not only halachic requirements but the בת חב"ד of a בת חב"ד.

Please keep in mind the following guidelines to ensure proper adherence to Halacha.

- Shirts should properly cover the collarbone
- Tops should not be tight fitting
- Skirts should be at least 4 inches below the knee.
- Legs must be completely covered at all times with tights.
- Hair should be kept neat and refined.
- Denim should not be worn

Uniform:

The Junior High uniform consists of the following:

Blouse: A light blue oxford blouse with a tznius button or snap to ensure proper covering of the collar bone. Tee shirts may not be worn underneath. Shirts must be tucked in at all times.

Skirt: The navy blue uniform skirt is the only skirt appropriate for school (can be purchased in Little People or Engelic uniform store). It should be pleated and mid calf length.

Hosiery: Only Solid black, navy, gray or white **tights** may be worn.

Socks may not be worn on top of tights.

<u>Sweater</u>: Our cable knit navy blue sweater is available in a vest and with sleeves. Students are permitted to wear <u>only</u> the school sweater to school. (can be purchased in Little People)

Shoes: Shoes should be of a conservative style. Sneakers (with a lace) or sandals may not be worn. Colors should be dark, such as; brown, navy, black, gray and charcoal.

Accessories: Hair should be styled in a neat and refined fashion. Hair longer than shoulder length should be pulled back in a pony. Only stud earrings are permitted in school. Nail polish may not be worn.

Cell Phones:

Junior High students are not permitted to possess a cell phone of their own. If a girl is found with a cell phone in school, it will be confiscated.

Vision

ראה בעיניך ובאזניך שמע (מדרש תנא דבי אליהו)

Together with you, our students let us strive to fulfill our vision and aspirations for a most successful school year אי"ה.

Fidget toys:

All manipulative toys are not allowed such as squishies, slime, spinners, silly putty etc.

Seforim:

Supplies list and detailed list of Sforim for each subject will be given on the first day of school.

6 th grade	7 th grade	8 th grade	
סידור	סידור	סידור	
צבאות ה'	צבאות ה'	צבאות ה'	
חומש שמות	חומש	חומש	
	מקראות	מקראות	
	גדולות	גדולות	
	המאור	- המאור	
	-במדבר	במדבר	
נביא שמואל	נביא שמואל	נביא מלכים	
א'	ב'	א'	

חת"ת	קיצור שולחן	קיצור שולחן
	ערוך(מנוקד)	ערוך (מנוקד
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	חת"ת	חת"ת
		מילון לקו"ש

Hebrew-English Dictionary (all classes)

Extra curricular fees:

- A \$50 Bnos Chabad fee. (Grades 6-8)
- A \$85 Bas Mitzva Club fee.
 Which includes a Bas Mitzvah gift for each girl. (6th grade)