

TBR Youth Group 2010-2011

Dear Students and Parents,

Shana Tovah! A combination of lifelong friendships, social actions, and fabulous fun, equals one stellar Youth Group! Temple Beth Rishon's Youth Group offers an endless amount of special programs throughout the school year that will thrill, excite, and make students want to attend the next event! What better way to encourage student involvement in the Jewish community and informal Jewish education than intriguing events and being with old friend and making memories with new friends at TBR!

Temple Beth Rishon's Youth Group is a nine-month program, which offers an array of activities and programs for everyone. This is a great way to make new friends and keep in touch with old friends in a hassle-free and entertaining Jewish environment. There are many exciting programs offered within the temple and outside trips. All of our groups require a fee for membership to help offset the cost of events throughout the year. It is very important for our youth to become paid members so that they may take advantage of the many benefits they are entitled to. To become an active member, please send in, along with your membership form, a check payable to Temple Beth Rishon for \$70.00, which covers most programs for the year, as well as dinner at every weekly meeting.

The Youth Group meets on an average of twice a month; approximately two Tuesdays and two Thursdays depending on which grade you are in, from 6:15p.m. -7:15p.m. in the Blau Chapel. You are encouraged to attend both events in the month even if you attend religious school classes on a different day. There are also sporadic events outside the synagogue on the weekends. **Please note, you do not have to be a member of Temple Beth Rishon to join the Youth Group; we welcome friends to join at anytime of the school year.**

For the participants that are in the Hey class, I will meet in the classes once a month to have roundtable discussions on specific topics of interest. The high school group will have the choice to gain Community Service hours through the Youth Group as well. If your child needs to obtain hours for school, the Youth Group is a fantastic place to start. Your child will be able to choose from a variety of different Community Service locations. Please see the attached sheet for some options.

Important Procedural Notes:

Jana Schwartz, Youth Director, organizes and runs the TBR Youth Group. Parent aid is needed for some events throughout the course of the year. Siblings are more than welcome to attend the parent when helping at the event. If your child would like to contribute in the planned event, the student or parent must RSVP to Jana Schwartz one week prior to the activity in order to prepare accordingly.

Weekend Events...

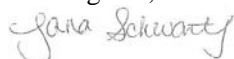
When the TBR Youth Group is having a weekend event inside or outside the synagogue, a club **member MUST give one-week RSVP notice with full payment and completed permission slip that will be handed out prior to the event if needed. Payments are due one week prior to all events. Payments are nonrefundable.**

TBR's Youth Group is here to add to the social and enriching practice of the Religious School, providing an enjoyable opportunity to strengthen relations between the individuals and form new ones. Becoming part of a this amazing Youth Group will be a precious benefit to your child's Temple Beth Rishon experience.

Feel free to contact me at 201-891-4466 ext. 209 or Youth_Director@bethrishon.org. **Always check emails, mailings, flyers, newsletters, and our wonderful website @ www.bethrishon.org to find out what is new for YJ for the month.**

I would like to wish you and your family a happy and healthy start to a new school year. I am looking forward to more great programming and exciting events and having YOU involved!

Best Regards,



Jana Schwartz, Youth Director