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(school IN
session!)
Prospective
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Sukkot

Eve of First day of Sukkot
Candlelighting 6:09 pm

October 4, 2017
14 Tishrei, 5778

A Message from Nancy

Chag Sameach!



Thanks to Parparim for helping to decorate our sukkah!

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**Rogow MS will have a day of service on
Wednesday, October 11th, this is how you can
help!**

On **October 11th**, Rogow Middle School students will
spend the day doing acts of service!

Donations of any paint you have lying around the
house, would be greatly appreciated!

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Soccer vs
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Join Our List

Would you like a

Any leftover house paint, acrylic paint, nail polish, or metallic shellac, is greatly appreciated as a donation to our afternoon activities!!!



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STEAMing Into Schechter: Cardboard Challenge & Hands-on Science

Monday, October 9th!!



It's not too late to sign up!
Prospective students are invited to explore Schechter

grandparent, relative, or friend to receive the Schechter newsletter? Email ASobel@ssds-hartford.org and include the name, email address, and relationship to Schechter and we will add them to our list!



through STEAM. Students will participate in the Cardboard Challenge and a Science Olympiad run by HHNE students, along with current Schechter students. Come and experience small class sizes, an engaging and rigorous academic program, and a warm and caring community.

Do you know someone in grades 4-7 who would love our community? RSVP [HERE](#) and have them join our Gesher and Middle School students **this Monday** in the second annual Cardboard Challenge plus a Science Olympiad!!

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Calling All Schechter Graduates!

You're invited back "home."

Monday, October 9, 2017

Catch up with old friends and teachers....
Assist with engaging Middle School programs....
Read with our youngest students!

Schedule:

10:30-11 Graduates Greet Your Middle School Teachers
Refreshments will be served

11-11:30 Assist in Programming:
Cardboard Challenge
Science Olympiad
Read Aloud in Early Childhood

Kindly rsvp so we know you're coming!

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Celebrating our First Weeks of School



First Weeks of School!

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Follow Schechter on Twitter & on Facebook!!!

To keep up with all the happenings at SSDS,
Follow us on Twitter [HERE](#) and on Facebook [HERE](#)

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Gesher is blowing us over with their amazing skills in MakerSpace!



Gesher spent a very creative couple of weeks working on their Wind Turbine projects. It was great to see each group make their turbines uniquely their own.

generated by their turbines by hooking the turbines up to multimeters. The students also learned how to strip wires and attach them to the multimeters.



They measured the current



They put their turbines in front of a fan to check voltage output and could see that their different blade designs and balance resulted in different power output.

The students were blown away when Gary Greenberg, President of Birken Manufacturing, came by for a visit and got to see the results of all their hard work too!



Gesher has been busy in the MakerSpace experimenting with other types of energy as well! The weeks ahead will prove to be very enlightening for the group. Look for more of their projects that will head home, for you and the whole family to continue experimenting!



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Reading with Rabbi Haaz in EC4

Schechter's many dedicated class rabbis take time from their own congregations to create meaningful moments for our students! Early Childhood students were mesmerized this week as Rabbi Seth Haaz, of Congregation Adath Israel in Middletown, read a story about Sukkot!



They loved pretending that they slept in the sukkah and then woke up again!



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Art and Apples in EC2





Our youngest artists explore their creativity!

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Preparing for Sukkot!



Setting up the Sukkah!



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Wind-back Wednesday to RELISH last Friday!!



SMILE!



**SMILE!
SMILE!**







Family, Friends, and FUN!





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SCHECHTER SHABBAT SHARE

Shabbat Dinner for Current Schechter Families
Friday night October 20th

Share a special Shabbat with Schechter Families

What is it?

A meaningful evening where we celebrate Shabbat

with new friends and truly experience the special community that we have here at Schechter. Families sign up to be either guests or hosts. Families will be matched so that they can get to know other families in the community on a more intimate level.

Do I need to keep Kosher?

NO. All families contribute equally to a kosher catered dinner. All the hosts need to do is open their homes. A complete Shabbat meal that also includes challah, grape juice, veggie platter, kid friendly and veggies options, fruit tray and dessert. We do ask that hosts provide paper goods, beverages, and a salad.

Do I need a large home/dining area to host?

No. There is no expectation. You can host one family or 3. You can eat in the kitchen or the dining room. You can serve the food plated or buffet. You can have a kids table and an adult table. It is your house and your rules.

Do I need to be able to say all the brachot (blessings)?

No. We can provide copies of the Friday night Shabbat blessings for those than want them.

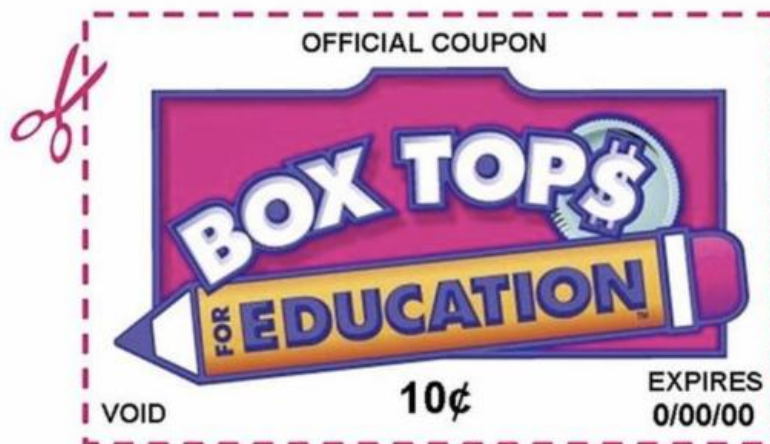
**\$18 person, Children under 4 Free
\$75 Family Cap (financial assistance available)**

You can choose to be a Guest or a Host. The dinner is provided by Yosi Kosher Catering. All you have to do is register online and we will do the rest!

**Come share prayers, dinner and conversation with
your Schechter friends for a very meaningful Shabbat
experience!**

CLICK [HERE](#) TO REGISTER

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Let's get clipping!

Box Tops for Education is free money for our school!
There are many brands that you may purchase that
have this coupon on them...

Pillsbury

Kleenex

Ziploc

Betty Crocker

General Mills

Hefty

Box Tops will be collected the **First Friday of each month!** Drop them off in any of the collection bins you see around the school. Be sure to visit www.btfe.com to sign up for additional offers, support Solomon Schechter and even download the easy to use app!

Thanks for your support!

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Solomon Schechter SUKKAH HOP

Sunday, October 8th

10 am to 12 pm

@ The Bitton Family Succah
8 Sequin Road, West Hartford

12 pm to 2 pm

The Resnick Family Succah
@ 20 Brookside Boulevard, West

We look forward to seeing friends, new & old, as we perform the mitzvot of Sukkot!



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SCHECHTER LOGO-ED APPAREL IS HERE!!!

You've seen the fantastic Schechter shirts provided by the PA for us to wear each Friday for RELISH.... Now you can order some other varieties for yourselves or your kids!

- 10% of everything you order goes back to Schechter
- Now through October 16th you can order Schechter logo-ed, Tshirts, polos (short sleeved AND long sleeved!), sweatshirts and hats!!
- For adult and youth size use the following link: <http://www.spiritgeardirect.com/shop>
- Toddler sizing is not available on line, so please call the office to get a toddler order form and bring your checks into the office.



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**COMMUNITY
MISHMAR**
at
Hebrew High School
of New England

**STUDY AND CELEBRATE
ON THE
LAST NIGHT OF SUKKOT**

**October 10, 2017
7:00-8:30pm**
300 Bloomfield Avenue
West Hartford, CT

RSVP:
SKOGLUND@HHNE.ORG

Bring your family, friends, an instrument and a sefer! Vegetarian and gluten-free food options will be available.

• CHAVRUTA STUDY WITH PREPARED SOURCES

• MUSIC, REFRESHMENTS AND DANCING

• SHIUR BY VISTING SCHOLAR SARAH ROBINSON

Sarah Robinson is a recent graduate of Yeshiva University's Stern College and Graduate Program for Advanced Talmudic Studies (GPATS). She teaches tanach, gemara, and halacha to high school women in the Rae Kushner Yeshiva High School in Livingston, NJ. Sarah teaches torah in a number of settings including the Drisha High School Program for Girls, Harvard Hillel and Columbia-Barnard Hillel.

HHNE
Hebrew High School of New England

This program is partially funded by the Alfred and Helen Weisel Education Endowment Fund of the Jewish Community Foundation of Greater Hartford.

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Jewish Family Services Tara's Closet & Mandell JCC's Family Room
Present:

SCREENAGERS: Growing Up in the Digital Age

Growing Up in The Digital Age is selling out audiences around the country.

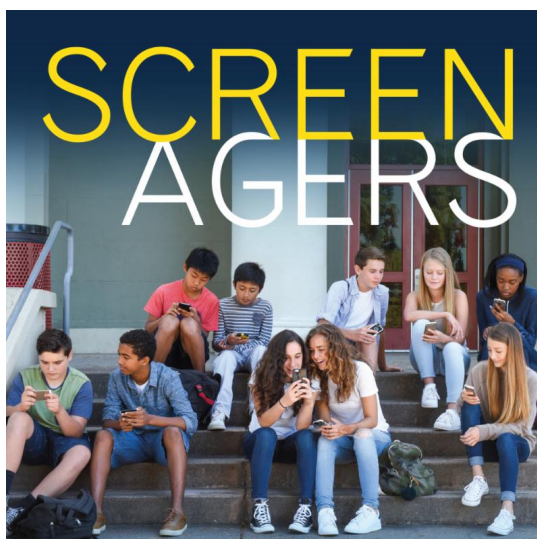
SCREENAGERS is the first feature documentary to explore the impact of screen technology on kids and to offer parents proven solutions that work. The documentary reveals stories that depict struggles over social media, video games, academics and internet addiction. **SCREENAGERS** goes far beyond exposing the risks of screen time, but reveals multiple approaches on how parents and educators can work with kids to help them achieve a healthy amount of screen time. **SCREENAGERS** is known as a community viewing model, in hopes that parents and educators can start a conversation nationwide about how screen time impacts our lives.

This movie screening is for parents and teens. Parents are encouraged to attend this screening and discussion along with their children. A mental health professional from Jewish Family Services will discuss the movie and offer advice to parents. We will also hear teenagers testimonials on how they deal with social media. Panel discussion following the film will be moderated by Dennis House, Channel 3 Eyewitness News Anchor and Face the State moderator.

WHEN: Wednesday, October 18, 2017
 7:00 p.m. -8:30 p.m.

WHERE: Mandell JCC of Greater Hartford
 335 Bloomfield Avenue
 West Hartford, CT

ADMISSION: Free with advance reservation. To reserve your tickets call 860-236-1927 ext. 7129 or go to www.jfshartford.org/screenagers or call



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The 7th annual Tour de Shuls community bike ride will be **Sunday morning, October 8**, starting at Emanuel Synagogue and Temple Sinai.

This year offers a 25 mile and 10 mile family friendly ride as well as a 5K (Walk/Run).

All of the proceeds will benefit Camp Eisner-Chazak and Camp Ramah-Tikvah Programs for campers with developmental disabilities.

Take part in this inclusive community event for all ages. Registration and all other info can be found at www.tourdeshulsct.org.

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JTCares & Trick or Canning

Become inspired to take Jewish values to the next level!

For 3 hours on 7 different Sundays from 1pm-4pm (lunch included), teens will come together to create a community of young adults who care about the world around them and who actively take part in

the mitzvah of **Tikkun Olam** - Repairing the World.

Open to teens in 7th-12th grade!
JTCares starts with Trick or Canning on **Oct. 29th**, during which teens will learn about hunger & poverty with guests from Hands on Hartford. Teens will then hit the streets, ring door bells and collect cans for our local pantries.

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Teen Leadership & Philanthropy Institute (TLPI)

TLPI is a weekly interactive course for teens to explore philanthropy, social responsibility and community leadership.

Meeting on Monday evenings at Beth El Temple in West Hartford from **7:00-8:40pm** (dinner included), teens will learn about giving from a Jewish perspective, visit community agencies and learn about their work, solicit and evaluate grant proposals, allocate money to community agencies, while adding substance to their resumes.

TLPI starts on **Nov. 6**, is open to teens in 10th-12th grade and is limited to 12 students.

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Each teen's Jewish journey is unique. Through JTConnect, teens have the freedom to reach beyond the familiar to prepare them to become leaders in the Jewish community. JTConnect is a learning and social program for teens from throughout Greater Hartford to live and learn Jewishly in a broader community!

There is a place and a program for everyone at JTConnect.

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information about our

different programs and how to register!



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Young Israel

Sukkah HOP

Thursday, 1st Day of Sukkot, Oct. 5th
3:50 PM – 5:40 PM
(Rain Date: Shabbat Chol HaMoed, Oct 7th)

Pre-K – 1st Grade
Begin at Elefant (105 Mohawk Dr)
Continue to Brander (6 Seneca Rd)

2nd – 4th Grade
Begin at Brander (6 Seneca Rd)
Continue to Braune Friedman (19 Mansfield Ave)

5th -8th Grade
Begin at Bernstein (95 Brewster Rd)
Continue to Klein (48 Brewster Rd)
Conclude at Brander (6 Seneca Rd)

Teens (Beginning at 3:20)
Begin at Glahn (42 Brainard Rd)
Continue to Ganeles (83 Brewster Rd)
Conclude at Brander (6 Seneca Rd)

PAREVE SNACKS WILL BE SERVED!
Questions? Contact Info@youngisraelwh.org

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2240 ALBANY AVENUE
WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117
WWW.YOUNGISRAELWH.ORG

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UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS

Decorate Our Sukkah

Sunday, October 1 • 11:30 - 2:00 pm

All children are invited for special *sukkah* themed arts and crafts project as part of the Mitzvah Fair!



Young Israel

Sukkah Hop

Young Israel Sukkah Hop

Thursday, October 5th • 3:50 - 5:40 pm

Ages: Pre-K – 12th Grade

Come visit different *sukkot* each with their own special treat! See flyer for full details

Sushi in the Sukkah

Motzaei Shabbat, October 22nd • 8:00 PM

Ages: Teens Grade 9-12

Come make delicious sushi in our *sukkah*!

At the home of Rabbi & Miriam Brander
in partnership with NCSY



Kiddie Hakafof

Thursday, October 12th • 4:30 PM

Come dance and celebrate with the Torah! Every child will get candy!


All events free and open to the public. Events are at Young Israel unless noted.


For more information, visit our website
or contact info@youngisraelwh.org



YOUNG ISRAEL OF WEST HARTFORD
2240 ALBANY AVENUE
WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117
WWW.YOUNGISRAELWH.ORG


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Calling all teens – Grades 9 through 12
Come join us in our Sukkah for an evening of Sushi, Sukkah and Socializing!

Saturday Night, October 7th • 8-10 PM
in the Sukkah of
Miriam & Rabbi Brander
(6 Seneca Road)



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Chai Mitzvah come join us!

Chai Mitzvah is an adult Jewish engagement group that takes place over the course of 12 months. We meet once per month for conversation and learning. We welcome you to come and join a current group or if you have a group of friends you can start a new group. This is a great way to reconnect, recharge, and re-examine your Jewish life.

Please contact Susan Fried at 203-606-4522 or Susan@chaimitzvah.org



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