

Solomon Schechter Day School of Greater Hartford



Schechter Shavua

FUN FOR YOUNG KIDS!



Join us on Tuesday, [November 13 at 9am](#) as Schechter's Early Childhood educators present an extra-special morning of fun. Come for music, PJ Library stories, snacks, and crafts. Free and open to the public. Invite friends!

Questions? Email Karen Shakun at kshakun@ssds-hartford.org

SEE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS!

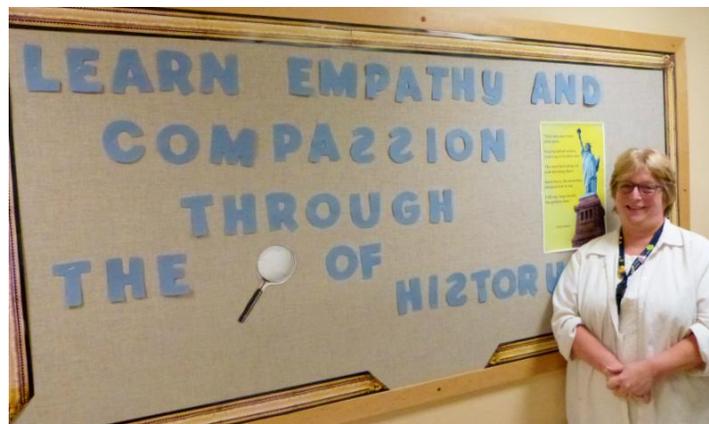
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#SchechterPride in...

Colleen Simon, Rogow Middle School's Humanities Teacher, who deeply believes that we can change the course of history by seeing the common humanity in all of us and by treating each other kindly.

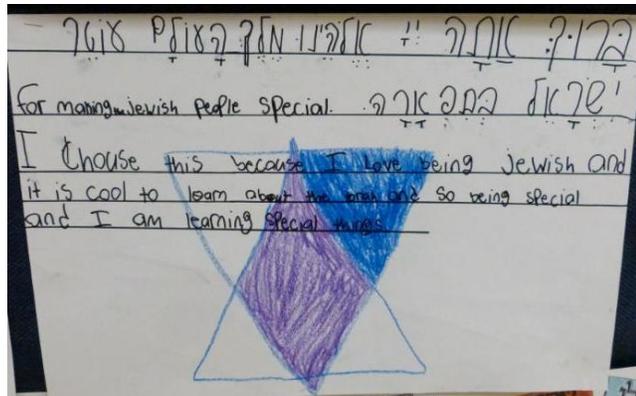
In response to the new state mandate for the teaching of Holocaust and genocide education, Colleen has led Professional Development



workshops to teachers from all around Connecticut in partnership with the University of Hartford's Maurice Greenberg Center for Judaic Studies and the Holocaust Education Resource and Outreach (HERO) Center. She has also worked with *Facing History and Ourselves*, empowering Schechter students to empathize, stand up, and take action. She works, relentlessly, to impress upon all that hate is often based on what you don't know and that by knowing one another and making connections we can push against hate. A simple quote that hangs in her classroom: "If you'd really known me for who I was, you would have never killed me."

Birchot Hashachar Through the Eyes of Geshet Students

"I chose this because I believe that everyone should stand tall." "It's important to help others in need and to give them stability in times of loss or trouble." These are just two of the connections that Geshet students made during *Iyun Tefillah*, their exploration of the meaning of prayers. While studying the morning blessings *Birchot Hashachar*, Geshet students chose the brachot to which they personally connected, and created posters displaying, through writing and drawing, their thinking about them. You can click [here](#) to see some of the students explain their work.



Highlight of the Week

The Middle School boys visited Charter Oaks Cultural Center and viewed an art exhibit called "through compassionate eyes," then met a former homeless man and listened to his story of recovery and creating a new life.



Pictures of the Week!

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Dates for your calendar:

- Saturday, November 10 at 3:30: PJ Library Stories, Songs and Smiles @Beth David Synagogue, 20 Dover Rd, West Hartford
- Tuesday, November 13: PJ Library Stories, Songs, and Smiles @Schechter
- Wednesday, November 15: Caring for Others @ Newington Public Library, 95 Cedar St, Newington, CT
- Wednesday, November 21: Noon Dismissal
- Thursday, November 22: Thanksgiving NO SCHOOL
- Friday, November 23: Thanksgiving NO SCHOOL
- Monday, November 26: Professional Development-NO CLASSES
- Tuesday, November 27: Middle School Parent Meeting
- Thursday, November 29: Mah Jongg Night

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MORE special dates this fall for families with young children!

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