

Schechter Shavua

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Solomon Schechter Day School of Greater Hartford



Welcome to our new Monday Schechter Shavua! We hope to kick off your week with all the latest exciting news around our school. Also new: Nurse Jaime will be including monthly articles about topics that interest parents. Check out her first installment below!

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Please Join us for Latkes & RELISH!!!



*Schechter
26 Buena Vista Road
West Hartford*

Sun, Dec 9

2:30 - 4 pm

Bring Friends and Family and come celebrate with us at Schechter on Sunday, December 9th 2:30-4pm! RSVP [here](#).

#SchechterPride in...

current and former Schechter students **Alyssa Temkin, Maya Patt, Samm Smith-Rapaport, Maxx Smith-Rapaport, Summer Neiditz, and Josh Chachques** as they gear up for the upcoming performance of the Addams Family at the JCC!



Erica Smith-Rapaport, who is both an alumni herself and an alumni parent, is the Producer of the show. She describes, "Watching past and present Schechter students shine on stage has been amazing. All of them have come to J Center Stage theater with incredible poise and comfort on stage thanks to their years on the Schechter stage."

The show is going to be a lot of fun. Come support your Schechter friends in this year's J Center Stage Teen Production of The Addams Family!

Performance Dates

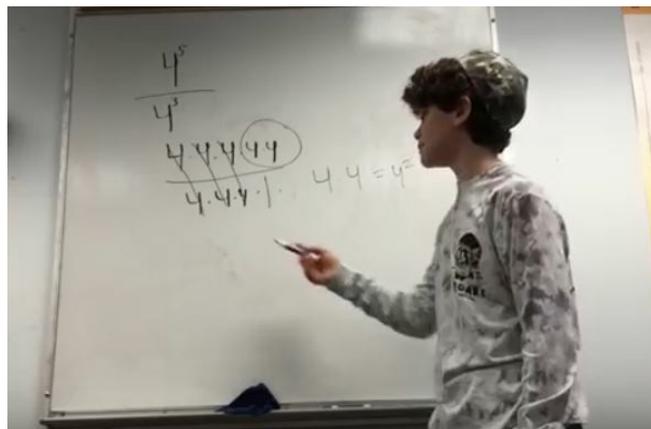
Thursday, December 6th | 7:00 p.m.
Saturday, December 8th | 7:00 p.m.
Sunday, December 9th | 2:00 p.m.

Ticket Prices: \$11 Students | \$13 Adults

<https://mandelljcc.tix.com/schedule.aspx?orgnum=2172&framed=true>

Inspiring Others by Creating Math Videos!

Habonim students are inspired to teach math techniques to each other! Students created math videos to explain a topic or concept. Working in groups, the students taught and learned from one another as they produced these videos.



In preparation, students watched and critiqued 3 sample math videos to co-create a rubric for the assignment. Their videos are fantastic - take a look [here](#)!

"Trope Aerobics"

Taking their first steps to learning how to chant from the Torah, the fifth grade members of **Gesher** learned the first "family" of trope - and they really took off! With each set of trope notation, students sing along with body movement, a system named "Trope



Aerobics." Within minutes, these students were able to use the newly-learned symbols to sing excerpts from the Torah! Check out their [video demonstration](#)!

Car Seat Safety : A Message from Nurse Jaime

As parents, we are so excited for every stage of development. Once pregnancy is confirmed we are thinking gender, nursery, and supplies. With all of the items that we can purchase there are very few things that are actually necessary. An infant will need nutrition, seasonally appropriate clothing, diapers and a car seat. The rest of the items are merely novelties. Each of the above mentioned can be further divided in to choice – breast versus bottle, cloth versus disposable, and the brand of car seat utilized.



No matter what style car seat you prefer, the laws are very clear. Please take a look below to learn about the different types of car seats and specifications for use.

1. Rear facing: This is the car seat that is needed for the majority of people to take their child home in. This is a five point harness providing neck support and crash stability. **Rear facing seats should be used until the child has reached 2 years old and at least 30 lbs.** For increased safety, rear facing seats should be in the middle of the second row.
2. Forward facing: Sometimes this is the same seat used from birth – but it is able to be turned into a forward facing position. This is also a five point harness that may be used after the child is 30lbs and greater than 2 years old. **A child should stay in this seat until they are 40 lb and 5 years old.**
3. Booster Seat: After graduating from a forward facing seat, your child is ready to move to a booster. High back boosters will be able to keep seat belt in the right position and increase comfort for your child. Your child should stay in a booster for

a longer period of time. For safety purposes, your child is not ready to graduate from a booster until he/she can sit on the seat of the car and have ideal positioning of the seat belt, without fatigue. **The minimum recommendation is to stay in a booster until 8 years old and 60lb.**

Some things to consider are:

- Each car seat has different weight restrictions (this may mean you need a new seat - the state law prevails)
- Every child is a different build and has different needs – please make moves based on their needs
- Car seats may be difficult to install correctly – please see your local police department for support
- Car seats should not be placed in the front seat
- Car seats must be replaced after accident
- Car seats have expiration date and/or will expire 6 years after manufacture date

This is one aspect of our children’s lives that I urge you not to rush to the next step. Take this slow!

[Click HERE for more Pics from this week!](#)

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Dates for your calendar:

- Tuesday, December 4: Grace Academy to Schechter Middle School Boys to Kosher Food Pantry
- Wednesday, December 5: Book Fair Begins
- Thursday, December 6: Chanukah Sing-a-long with Jason Kay @ JCC
- Sunday, December 9: Latkes and RELISH @ Schechter
- Wednesday, December 12: Evening Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Saturday, December 15: FOSS Party
- Tuesday, December 18: Stories, Songs and Smiles @ Schechter (bring friends)
- Wednesday, December 19: Evening Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Thursday, December 20: Schechter Choir Concert
- December 24: Vacation-School Closed

[Click here for More Dates!](#)

MORE special dates this fall for families with young children!

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