

Summer 2009

Dear Am Haskalah Teens (and parents),

I'm very excited to share two opportunities for you beginning this fall!

1. No'ar Hadash – New Youth - Reconstructionist Teen Group

The Reconstructionist movement organizes a national teen group, engaging teens locally in creative, innovative and fun Jewish programming. I envision that our Am Haskalah group will run in parallel to our congregation and religious school – providing opportunities for Jewish learning, social action, service leading, and socializing. I have some ideas brewing, but I want to encourage ideas to come from our teens directly, knowing how creative, passionate, and curious they all are.

- There will be a yearly dues amount, \$18, to be put toward programs.
- First meeting will be Sunday, October 25th at 9:30 at the DaVinci Center in Allentown. We'll take part in the service with the religious school and then meet separately to learn and plan (Teen Assts will be excused to join us). Please RSVP: vhgraff@gmail.com or 484-797-2156. Following meetings will be the last Sunday of the month that there is Religious School (Nov 22, Dec 13, and we'll plan together from there).

2. Teen Assistant – 2 positions available - \$250 stipend

- Supports the school director, rabbi and classroom teachers
- Is responsible and reliable
- Dresses and acts in a professional way and as a role model for the students
- Assists with classroom set up and clean up
- Assists with snack or break times
- Helps his/her classroom teacher keep students focused and on track
- Helps individual students with projects under the guidance of the classroom teacher or school director
- Attends periodic planning meetings with the rest of the school staff
- Is an active member of the Congregation and Teen Group (teen group dues waived)
- Paid \$250 stipend at the end of the school year if attendance is better than 80%

If you are interested in being a Teen Assistant at the Religious School, please write a letter stating your personal information (age, grade, school, relevant activities), why you are interested in being a Teen Assistant, and why I should be interested in you being a Teen Assistant. Please have your parent co-sign your letter. You can email or mail the letter to me by Monday, August 31.

B'Shalom,
(In Peace,)

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