

MACHON BETH SHOLOM HIGH SCHOOL AND YOUTH COMMUNITY

MACHON is the next wave of Jewish communal learning and living for Jewish teenagers. We know that making Jewish connections and maintaining strong Jewish ties are important goals, especially after a child has celebrated his or her Bar/Bat Mitzvah. We also know about the incredibly busy lives our students lead. How do we reconcile the two? How do we make Jewish connections and Jewish learning part of the equation?

The Machon Beth Sholom High School Community (also called MBS) provides students from Grades 8-12 with these connections and meaningful Jewish experiences. We do this through outstanding programming and high level learning. We offer a lively and engaging setting for Jewish teenagers to feel comfortable and explore what Judaism and Jewishness means to them. In addition, we are offering a number of different choices – choices in program, choices in learning, choices in experiences, choices in scheduling. Through a dynamic faculty and staff, we offer a broad spectrum of classes that young people relate to, ensuring that there is ample time for socializing. In this respect, we are meeting the needs of our teens and helping them carve out time for Jewish experiences in their demanding lives.

LEARN

In our **Study Track**, MBS Classes are interesting, engaging and fun! Classes are taught by dynamic teachers in a setting that is open to participation and discussion. Explore issues relating to why we are Jewish and its relevance in our modern daily lives. We offer choices in study so that students can take classes which interest them. No matter your choice, you will experience wonderful camaraderie, great debate and much spirited activity.

**Classes take place on
Mondays 6:45 – 8:30PM
Beginning Monday September 16, 2013**

For more information on any of these great programs contact:

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Are you interested in making a difference in the life of others? Do you like doing community service work? Do you need to fulfill a community service requirement for school? Let us help you have a meaningful Jewish experience while helping make the world a better place. Through our **GIMME 10** program, students participate in a **10 Sunday Social Action project**, creating connections both with an agency as well as with other teens participating in the project. We will run this program twice during the year - in the Fall and in the Spring. The Gimme 10 program will be fully staffed and the program cost includes transportation to the project site (from Temple Beth Sholom) and all programming costs. Gimme 10 is a “win-win” for our students and an amazing way to make a difference in the lives of others.

Gimme 10 Fall Semester Dates

10:30AM – 12:30PM

9/22, 10/6, 10/20, 11/3, 11/17,
11/24, 12/8, 12/15, 1/5, 1/12

Gimme 10 Spring Semester Dates

10:30AM – 12:30PM

1/26, 2/2, 2/9, 3/9, 3/16,
3/23, 4/6, 4/27, 5/4, 5/18

Stepping Up – TBS Teen Philanthropy Fund: Learn about what it means to really “give” tzedakah as a donor. How do you pick which tzedakah/charity is meaningful to you? How do you make this decision in concert with other people? Groups of teens in synagogues, JCC’s, and Jewish organizations across Long Island will be **stepping up** to become philanthropic leaders through an exciting new. Using funds that the students raise themselves, Jewish teens will focus on making a difference by awarding grants to agencies addressing areas of need they determine. Come see what it is like to accept proposals, assess the needs of an organization, visit amazing organizations, see the fruits of their labor and be part of how charity monies are allocated.

This program will be held on the following **Monday evenings from 5:30-6:45PM and includes dinner:**

September 30, October 21, November 18, December 9,
January 27, February 10, March 10, April 7, May 12
(Agency site visit dates will be scheduled at later dates)

BELONG

We strongly encourage participation in United Synagogue Youth (USY) programs. These programs are held on a local level as well as on a divisional (Nassau County), Regional (Metropolitan NY) and International level. In the summer, there are travel and teen tour opportunities in North America, Israel and Europe.

We think that you will find these events to be great social opportunities to meet other Jewish teens from all over New York, in addition to being fun! We also think that you will enjoy the local events that we will be sponsoring as well. All USY programs will be part of the Machon Calendar and registered students will receive attendance credit for attending those events. We hope to see you getting involved this year with USY!