

HESCHEL

Dear Fellow Parents,

Thank you for your interest in learning more about the many wonderful volunteer opportunities you can be a part of.

Below, please find a list of the various committees the Parent Organization oversees (in alphabetical order). Please feel free to reach out to us with any questions and/or to discuss the volunteer opportunities.

Sincerely,

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Parent Organization Committees

Back to School Breakfast: Organize food, décor, and logistics for the Back to School Breakfast for parents on the first morning of the school year. Planning for this event takes place during the summer.

Bingo Family Night: Organize bingo, prizes, and food for Heschel families with kids of all ages. Event takes place on a Sunday evening in Heschel Hall.

B'nai Mitzvah Minyan Coordinators: Representatives from each Middle School grade organize a calendar for parent volunteers to present gifts to each bar or bat mitzvah at every minyan. In addition, volunteers are needed to wrap the gifts in advance.

B'ruchim Habaim Welcome Bags: Help to assemble and deliver welcome bags to all new families on the first Shabbat of the school year.

Challah Bake: Organize, promote and facilitate a Heschel community challah bake. Responsibilities include planning the event, purchasing and setting up everything necessary to make challah, recruiting volunteers as needed, teaching guests how to make the challah, and cleaning up.

Challah Committee: Help distribute challah every Friday morning between 7:35 and 8:15 am. Coordinate with 1st grade teachers to organize weekly challah helpers who deliver the challot to the classrooms.

Community Promotions Committee: Research, implement, and promote programs that earn Heschel money while people shop in the community. Includes the Ralphs, Box Tops, and Amazon programs, for example.

Community Shabbat Dinner Committee: Help organize the potluck dinner immediately following the Community Shabbat Service in the spring.

Generations Day Committee: Alternates every year between Elementary School and Middle School. This committee organizes the event in coordination with the administration and development office. Responsibilities include arranging for greeters, servers, and photographers.

Girls' Night Out Committee: Help to plan an event for the women in our community (a community building event, not a fundraising event).

Grade Ambassadors: 2 volunteers from each elementary grade send informational emails to every parent in the grade, and arrange for the teachers' gifts and class party at the end of the year. For middle school grades, one volunteer from each grade sends out informational emails to every parent in the grade. One year commitment from January to January.

Graduation Liaisons: Two to three 7th grade parents coordinate the reception after 8th grade graduation. Work with the administration to arrange for food, set up, and clean up.

Hot Lunch Day Coordinator: Recruit and remind volunteer hot lunch servers for a particular day of the week.

Library Book Fair: Organize and run the Spring Book Fair. Coordinate with Scholastic Books and our school librarian.

Logo Wear Committee: Design, order, sell, and distribute Heschel Logo Wear throughout the year, including at various events.

Lost and Found Coordinators: Organize the lost and found sheds, and return labeled clothing. Arrange unclaimed clothing for display during Parent Teacher conferences and at the end of the year. Arrange for donation of unclaimed clothing to non-profits at the end of each semester.

Mishloach Manot Committee: Organize the assembling of Mishloach Manot bags to be donated to Cafe Europa. Includes collecting the components of the bags and working with faculty to oversee the students filling and decorating the bags. Coordinate the delivery of the bags to Cafe Europa.

Mitzvah Day Committee: Work with school administrators to coordinate and plan Mitzvah Day at Heschel. Organize activities, collections, and volunteers. Includes an annual blood drive.

Men's Group: Join the committee for dads and father figures to help plan events for dads (both with and without kids). Contact Doran Tajkef or Elan Klaristenfeld for more information.

Parent Fun Night Coordinators: Plan and make arrangements for a social evening for parents of specific grades. Always TK, Kindergarten, and 1st grades; additional grades when we have an influx of new parents (to be determined by Larry and Lara).

Purim Carnival Committee: Plan the annual all school carnival in coordination with the administration and facilities staff. Includes all set up, games, rides, entertainment, food, promotion, tickets/wristbands/waivers, prizes, volunteers, and clean up of the event.

Religious Festivals Committee: Create events surrounding various holidays throughout the school year, including Sukkot Under the Stars, Recipe Exchange, Shavuot Fruit Collection. Assist the administration in executing celebrations for other holidays including Rosh Hashanah, Hanukkah, and Yom Ha'atzmaut.

Teacher Appreciation Luncheons: Plan and coordinate the food and decor at one of two luncheons for our faculty and staff (one in the winter and one at the end of the school year).

Winter Boutique Committee: Plan our Winter Boutique by promoting the event, and researching and coordinating vendors, food, and cashiers.

Annual Gala Committee: Our annual gala is an event run by the school's event coordinator, separate from the Parent Organization. There will be a Gala kick-off meeting in the Fall, and the 2022 Gala will be in March, celebrating Heschel's 50 years.