

KIDKALLAH CONSENT AND INFORMATION FORMS

Dear KidKallah Parents,

We are delighted that you have registered your child for KidKallah. Please read this letter carefully. Please print out and review the **General Information** and **What to Bring List**. Please then fill out the **Consent Forms**. **No child may participate in KidKallah without the consent and insurance forms filled out IN ADVANCE!**

Your children will enjoy a variety of activities this year, including physical theatre, art, sports, kid-friendly davening, swimming and cooperative games.

This year the whole camp will go to the **Adventure Education Center** on **Tuesday, June 30th**. We are fortunate that the center is five minutes from the college. Here is the website for the park so you can check it out with your child:

http://www.supergames.org/aec/school_youth/

Kids need to dress appropriately for this activity - athletic shoes, shorts and tee-shirt.

Because of the time involved for transportation and the activities themselves, we ask you to arrive at an earlier time Tuesday afternoon - 1:45 p.m. - and to **be prompt!**

Cantor Martin Levson will again lead a **Children's Choir** evenings after dinner. Our week together will culminate in a **Family Shabbat Davvenen** on Saturday morning led by **Rabbi Andrew Hahn** and a **performance** directed again by guest playwright **Ezra LeBank**. We look forward to a joyful, meaningful week with your children!

Please e-mail us at: Joanie: jlevinehummingbird@yahoo.com or Yehudah: alanyehudah@gmail.com or call 503-287-8737. We look forward to meeting both you and your child(ren) very soon!

Joanie Levine and Yehudah Winter
KidKallah Co-Coordinator

KidKallah 2009 General information

Monday: Registration and Orientation

When you arrive at the Kallah, you will be asked to **register** your child at the **L'dor v'dor table** in the registration area. You **MUST** register your child upon your arrival in order for your child to participate in KidKallah. Sunday arrivals can register on Sunday. Monday arrivals - please arrive with enough time to register and to then make it to the **KidKallah Orientation** with your child(ren) at the KidKallah site - **KIDKALLAH** - at **2 p.m. SHARP**. This orientation will be from **2-3 p.m.** Children will stay at KidKallah and then will arrive for a short presentation at the General Orientation, after which they will join you for the final song. You may then go to dinner together.

Childcare

After dinner each night there will be **free childcare services**. These will be babysitters that are **separate** from the KidKallah staff. However, the **childcare schedule** will be on the **Master Schedule**. Before bedtime, children will be supervised first in the **play area outdoors**, and then in the **KIDKALLAH** for reading, quiet games or video-viewing. By 10 p.m. children will be picked up by their parents and, once in bed, babysitters will circulate around the floors where children are sleeping. If your children have special needs, you should consider making private babysitting arrangements. Childcare during the morning davvenen times (6:30-8:45 am) is **not** available.

Adult Choir Participants

Rehearsals for Linda Hirschorn's Choir and Jewish Gospel Choir may vary - so you will need to make arrangements for a partner, friend, or "buddy" to pick up your child(ren) from KidKallah and to be with them during that time if you have a time conflict.

Sign out policy

We have, unfortunately, had some problems with parents who fail to arrive promptly to sign their children out of KidKallah at the close of the morning and afternoon sessions or evening childcare. This creates more work for our staff and results in increased costs for our program. We don't believe all families should bear this burden, so we will assess charges to families who cause us to overextend our resources, according to the following schedule:

1st 10 minutes \$5 2nd 10 minutes \$10 each additional 10 minutes \$15

If you have already paid for the Kallah with a Visa/Mastercard, we will charge that, and if you paid by check, we will send an invoice to you after the Kallah.

Electronic games

Please note that while your child may play with electronic games in the privacy of their rooms, these toys are **not** permitted in the KidKallah program or in public places. Thank you for your support in this.

Snacks

Morning, afternoon, and evening snacks for the children will be provided. Please make sure we are aware if your child has any **food allergies**.

About Energy at Kallah

You may find that the heightened energy at Kallah--sourced in the very size of this "instant" community, the varied experiences, new insights and openings, deep encounters and little rest--can be challenging, at times, for you and your child(ren). Children may be more "wired" than usual, and will probably require your full and focused presence when reunited after a morning or afternoon in KidKallah. They may be particularly sensitive to all the new stimuli that are competing for your attention, and need reassurance of your connection to each other.

We have found that mealtimes can be particularly trying. At Kallah you will be in a community of people who care. Many adults present will have experienced these kinds of unsettling moments themselves at other gatherings. At the Kallah orientation, we will all be reminded that we are in service to one another and will invite people to reach out to extend support or to ask for help. If you need to devote your attention to your child, don't hesitate to ask someone to help you in the food line; as well, when help is offered, permit yourself to welcome the helping hand.

We want parents to understand that this assistance is offered in public spaces, and should be limited to said spaces (ie: no 'caring' adult should take a child to their room, nor spend 'private' time with that child. Sitting at a table in the dining room, or out on the lawn, etc, while the parent gets a breather is the most we're suggesting. More likely, the caring adult will offer to do something for the parent so they can be with their child - like getting food in the dining room...)

We don't want parents to get the false sense that everyone at Kallah can be trusted with their child, just because we're all feeling so safe and open-hearted. We don't know every adult who registers for Kallah.

We certainly don't anticipate any problems - but we are meeting on a University campus. Traffic is close at hand surrounding the campus and, as well, we are not isolated from the university population. We urge you to exercise caution and promote safety so that both you and your kids will have just a great Kallah!

Donations

If you feel so moved, we always appreciate extra donations to our program.

What to Bring

A Backpack, clearly labeled, brought each day with the following inside:

Water Bottle - very important to drink lots of water!

Swimsuit, towel, goggles, water aids (if your child needs them to stay afloat)

Sun hat or cap, sunscreen and scent-free **mosquito repellent**

Old oversized tee shirt for messy art projects

Percussion Instruments: small drum, tambourine, shaker (what you can fit)

For Adventure Center: AEC programs run rain or shine so please make sure participants are dressed appropriately for their activities and the weather. *Don't forget items such as rain gear.*

•• Closed toe/heel shoes must be worn in order to participate in all AEC activities! Open toed shoes or sandals are not acceptable footwear.

PARTICIPANTS WEARING CROCS OR SIMILAR SHOES WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE.

For Performance: black tee-shirt or tank top and black pants or shorts

Make sure clothing and personal items are clearly labeled with your child's full name.

KIDKALLAH CONSENT FORMS

(required to attend KidKallah)

Shalom Parents,

This email is for all parents bringing their children the 2009 KidKallah. Included are:

- 1) a basic child information form
- 2) a consent form
- 3) medical information
- 4) authorization to pick up child

Please print out the following forms, fill in the needed information, and either: (1)mail to Yehudah Winter and Joanie Levine (see address below) or (2)fill out forms and sign as appropriate. Scan them back into your computer and e-mail them to us as pdf forms.

Mail to: Yehudah Winter & Joanie Levine
5707 NE 15 Avenue
Portland, OR 97211

E-mail to: alanyehudah@gmail.com

Please mail or e-mail today. Early deadline is May 22nd. Final date is June 1st . Your child cannot begin the KidKallah program until these forms are in order. If you are bringing more than one child, they each require a separate, complete registration form.

Thank you so very much for your cooperation so this can happen in a timely manner!

1. CHILDREN'S INFORMATION FORM

(Duplicate a copy for each child you have in the program)

Child's Name: _____ Age: _____ Birthdate: _____

Parent #1: _____ cell phone: _____

Parent #2: _____ cell phone: _____

Please describe your child's interests, including passions and hobbies:

Any talents that your child enjoys sharing (i.e acting, dance, movement, playing a musical instrument):

Will your child be interested in being part of the Children's Choir? Rehearsals will be after dinner; group will sing in performance & at Havdalah:
Yes No (circle one)

Does your child know how to swim? Yes No

How would you describe their level?

Does he/she use water aids for swimming?

Please describe you're child's ability to work in a group setting and other strengths, challenges, or special needs that we should be aware of:

2. CONSENT FORM

Child: _____

Parent #1: _____ Parent #2: _____

AM Class : _____

PM Class : _____

Room Number _____ (will be filled in at start of Kallah)

I/We hereby give permission for the above-named child to:

Yes No

- take part in all KidKallah activities, including outdoor activities
- use school bus, go on field trip
- swim in swimming pool
- have his/her picture/video taken for ALEPH use
- be given emergency first aid treatment at the Kallah
- have sunscreen applied, if deemed necessary
- to have insect repellent applied, if deemed necessary

I hereby waive and release ALEPH, the KidKallah, and all individuals, staff members, or volunteers working in connection with Kallah or KidKallah activities from any and all possible claims for injury to person or property which might arise in connection with my child's participation in activities sponsored or provided by ALEPH.

Signatures:

PARENT #1 _____ Date: __/__/__

PARENT #2 _____ Date: __/__/__

3. MEDICAL INFORMATION

CHILD'S ALLERGIES OR MEDICAL CONDITIONS

Please list below any food(s) your child cannot eat (be sure to indicate severe or life-threatening allergies):

AUTHORIZATION TO ADMINISTER MEDICATION

Teachers are able to give prescription medication to your child only if you have made a request in writing and the medication is provided in the original prescription container labeled with dosage instructions and the physician's name. Teachers are unable to give non-prescription medications such as cough syrup or Tylenol to your child except as requested by your child's physician in writing. Sunscreen may be applied by the teachers only with your written permission. Medications (prescription and non-prescription) and sunscreen must be provided by you and must be labeled with your child's name. Please recognize these guidelines and limitations in any request you direct to the staff.

MEDICATION(S), TIME AND DOSAGE:

AUTHORIZATION IN CASE OF MEDICAL EMERGENCY

In case of accident or sudden illness of the above-named child, I/we understand that a reasonable effort will be made to locate me/us, but that emergency care will be rendered in the child's best interest at all times. If I/we cannot be located in a reasonable and safe amount of time, I/we authorize the Kallah Staff to use emergency room service provided by a nearby hospital. In my/our absence, I/we understand that one or more Staff members will accompany my/our child to the hospital. I/we understand that I/we may be required to provide further consent for any special procedures as deemed necessary by hospital staff. I/we do not hold ALEPH or the KidKallah responsible for any accident or illness which might occur.

For emergency purposes, our Insurance Provider is:

NAME: _____ GROUP: _____

POLICY NUMBER: _____

POLICY HOLDER: _____

Authorization directed by: (SIGNATURES)

PARENT #1 : _____ Date: __/__/__

PARENT #2 : _____ Date: __/__/__

4. AUTHORIZATION TO PICK UP CHILD

(To be filled out now or at start of Kallah)

In addition to the parents listed above, the following person(s) are authorized to pick up the above-named child from the KidKallah. If there is a change, I/we will personally notify the KidKallah Staff in writing:

Name(s):

1

2.

3.

Authorization directed by: (SIGNATURES)

PARENT #1 : _____ Date: __/__/__

PARENT #2: _____ Date: __/__/__