

# CTA Dateline

School Highlights and Updates

October 2024/Elul 5784

# Shana Tovah U'Metukah - Learning, Experiencing, and Celebrating



CTA is abuzz with preparations for the coming holidays. From challah baking, apple picking, brachot learning, shofar blowing, and more, CTA students are ready for Rosh Hashanah and the start of a healthy, happy, peaceful, and prosperous new year.

Teachers are offering students every opportunity to **LEARN** about the laws, history, and traditions, **EXPERIENCE** the sights, sounds, tastes, smells, and senses, and **CELEBRATE** by actively engaging or sharing how families might be celebrating the holiday at their homes.

Remember, the smartest one in the room just might be a CTA student. If you are lucky to have one at your holiday table or davening next to you at shul, ask them about what they are learning at CTA!

Pictured is 8th grader, Tuvy Cooper who has been blowing shofar each morning in every grade since the start of Elul.

# CTA Receives JewishColumbus Grant to Maximize Student Services

CTA has always strived to meet the different academic needs of students both in and outside the classroom. The challenges have increased since Covid. CTA is the recipient of a one year Community Impact Grant (CIC) from JewishColumbus. The grant was pursued as an opportunity to strengthen how CTA evaluates student support and provides intervention.

Thanks to this one year grant, Dr. Christina Billman, was hired this school year as Coordinator of Academic Intervention and she will be working in collaboration with principals, teachers, and learning center staff to review

our practices, protocols, and tools for instruction and assessment both in the classroom and learning cente

Dr. Billman is a senior lecturer at OSU teaching undergraduate and graduate-level special education as well as multisensory reading instruction for children at risk. She is also a long-time educator and well-regarded in the field of literacy instruction.

We are excited for the impact of this grant and project which will help us to strengthen our protocols with best practices and high quality resources for personalized instruction and assessment opportunities for students with diverse learning needs to ensure adequate progress and success. (continued on p. 3)



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## **Dvar Torah**

The first day of the school year has always been a source of inspiration for me. I love seeing the enthusiasm of the students and their readiness to take on the challenge of the new year. The setbacks of the previous academic year or the exhaustion of making it to summer break is no longer a dominant feeling. They are looking forward to the year ahead of them with determination while looking sharp in their in their recently purchased new clothing. They are ready for growth, energized by the excitement of being a year older and further along on their academic journey.



Rabbi Avrohom Drandoff, Head of School

In many ways Rosh Hashanah represents a similar phenomena. We all have ups and downs over the course of the year. We have had moments of glory filled with accomplishments and family milestones to celebrate. We also had moments of hardships, setbacks and disappointments. For many, Rosh Hashanah might be a difficult time as we reflect on the day of judgment and wonder if we are worthy to pray for a year of blessing.

Rav Meilech Biderman teaches us a lesson from the shofar that we must realize the sky's the limit on Rosh Hashanah. No matter how hard of a year we might feel we had, we must be cognizant that the shofar blast represents a tremendous opportunity for change and growth. The Talmud derives the source for sounding the shofar on Rosh Hashanah from the blast of the Yovel year. At first glance it would seem like the Yovel would be an odd place to be the source to blow the Shofar on Rosh Hashana. The Shofar blast on the Yovel was not a common occurrence. It only took place every fifty years, during the time of the Bais MaMikdash, and it was only one blast. Meanwhile, on Rosh Hashanah we blow one hundred sounds, every year all over the world for thousands of years. What is the connection between Yovel and Rosh Hashanah?

The answer is the single blast of the Yovel made a tremendous impact on the entire land of Israel. Slaves who have been working were now free to go home. Land was returned to its original owner. It was no longer the same world as it was prior to the single blast. The same is true on Rosh Hashanah. A person who is stuck in a rut now has the opportunity to change. The shofar blasts are a call to the Jewish people that Hashem is looking to welcome their change and growth. We should change our mindset. We should think about a meaningful relationship with Hashem, and then there is no bound to our potential.

Please have a year filled with happiness and growth. G-d willing we will have peace in the holy land and we will be able to greet the hostages return to home soon.

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### **Student Services (cont from p. 1)**



A Learning Center
Information Night is planned
for Tuesday, October 29 at
7:30 pm to give parents the
chance to learn more about
what CTA strives to do for
students and what resources
and limitations may exist. The
Learning Center provides

academic support and intervention in both Lower School (grades K-6) and Upper School (grades 7-12).

# **JEWISH** COLUMBUS

### Sam Garvin Achieves as a National Merit Semifinalist

Mazel Tov to CTA Senior, Sam Garvin, who has been named a National Merit Semifinalist! The National Merit Scholarship Program has just made the list of semifinalists public and high schools across the country are sharing their outstanding semifinalists.



SAMUEL GARVIN '25 2024 NATIONAL MERIT SEMIFINALIST

The nationwide pool of Semifinalists, representing less than 1% of U.S. high school seniors, includes the highest-scoring entrants on the PSAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT) which is taken during Sophomore or Junior year.

We are so proud of Sam and wish you success as you complete as a finalist for National Merit Scholarship Awards and make plans for after CTA High School graduation! (Big Mazel Tov to your parents, Robin and Larry Garvin, too!)

This is the second year that a CTA Senior has been named a Semifinalist with Tzvi Chaykin (Class of 2024) becoming a semifinalist and National Merit Finalist and now studying pre-med.

# Taking Responsibility for Digital Citizenship

In a fast paced digital world, CTA takes great responsibility in providing a platform for students to be competitive and ready to take on careers and involvement in contemporary society. However, we also want to support responsible and appropriate use of technology. CTA is proud to partner with parents to give students this balance.

To this end, CTA will host a Tech Talk as we partner with parents and highlight the conversation about technology and our children led by Dr. Eli Shapiro, founder and director of The Digital Citizenship Project who will speak on **Monday, November 11 at 7:30 pm**. Dr. Shapiro's presentation will be for parents and include the community conversation about technology and our children. The flyer below highlights some of the topics he will discuss and there will be time for questions.

This event is open to non CTA parents to attend as we know that responsible technology use for our children hits all communities. Sponsorships are available. For more information or RSVP at <a href="mailto:info@torahacademy.org">info@torahacademy.org</a>.



### CTA Scholarship Dinner Set for December 8

Save the Date for the annual CTA Scholarship Dinner! Since 1961, the CTA Scholarship Dinner has been a community celebration of the value and importance of a CTA education. Now, even more so, we see how education will ensure a future of literate and knowledgeable Jews who can perpetuate our connection to Hashem, to Torah learning, and to the state of Israel. Proceeds from the Scholarship Dinner support our Scholarship Fund which ensures that finances are not the barrier for families who want to give their children a CTA education.

We are proud to announce recognition these individuals:

Distinguished Service Award Tony Grieco, Insurance Office of America

Achievement Award
Eddie Karmia
Faculty Recognition
Eliza Delman
for 20 years of service

We look forward to celebrating their impact on CTA to help ensure that we have a strong and growing Columbus Jewish community.

We encourage parents, teachers, alumni, and alumni parents to volunteer and serve on a subcommittee. Planning co-chairs include Edith Frank, Victoria Ilin, and Ariella Nutis.



Active subcommittees looking for help include Ad Book, Auction, Decorations, and Welcome Reach out to one of the co-chairs or info@torahacademy.org to express interest. Start looking for a babysitter now! Everyone wants to be at this event!

### www.torahacademy.org/dinner

### **New Magenu Personal Safety Curriculum**

This year, we have partnered with Magenu to teach students about personal safety. Lower School Judaics teachers attended a training session with Dr. Shani Vershleiser, a licensed clinical social worker who specializes in trauma and is co-Founder of Magenu. Over the course of the school year, Lower School teachers will deliver a series of short and developmentally appropriate lessons designed to help present age-appropriate personal practices for childhood sexual abuse prevention.

Fourth grade teacher, Morah Sarah Weinstein shared, "Our first lesson was focused on identifying ways to keep safe and how to name feelings that a student may have when feeling unsafe. We talked about who a



trusted adult can be when we have a feeling we want to share. Students were very engaged in discussion during this lesson.

Teachers will send home information as the lessons occur. Special thanks to Rabbi Michoel and Shira Alt who recommended this program to CTA and encouraged the partnership. We will explore the possibility of a parent workshop in the future.

### SGO Ohio Tax Credit Program is Win-Win SCHOOL CHOICE



Thank You to the increasing number of households who participated in the Ohio Tax Credit program in 2023 to designate their Ohio tax liability to a Scholarship Granting Organization (SGO) and to Columbus Torah Academy.

In August, CTA was able to request a disbursement from the SGO to fund a portion of 2024-2025 student tuition scholarships. Adding SGO funds to the Scholarship Fund creates opportunities to prioritize investing in teachers, curriculum, and capital needs while still maintaining the same level of student scholarships to attend CTA.

Each year, CTA distributes more than \$1 million in tuition scholarships, which is central to our mission to provide every Jewish child with the opportunity of a CTA education within the limits of our educational and financial resources. That responsibility, combined with inflation and the climbing costs to sustain a competitive education, brings challenges and through it CTA remains committed to fiscal responsibility.

We are grateful to new and continuing supporters and encourage you to check with your tax advisor to review your eligibility for Tax Year 2024 and remind your family and friends of this new tax credit. Remember, the Ohio Tax Credit is not a donation, but a no cost allocation of your state income tax dollars based on your tax liability. Individuals can designate up to \$750 and joint filers can designate up to \$1500 which is credited dollar for dollar. The deadline for 2024 is by Tax Day on April 15, 2025. For an FAQ or to complete your allocation, go to

www.torahacademy.org/ohiotaxcredit

### Yearlong CTA and YU Partnership



CTA is partnering this school year with Yeshiva University to host students participating in the MafTeach School Community Fellowship. The fellowship includes a series of 4 visits throughout the school year by current students at Yeshiva University who are interested in pursuing careers in teaching and Jewish education. The partnership gives them a chance to learn from educators at CTA and in Columbus, as well as spend time being a part of a learning community like CTA.

Our first fellowship visit was September 20-21/Parshat Ki Tavo and we welcomed Ruthie Kaplowitz (Memphis/MMY/YU Jewish Education), Baruch Berger (DRS/Gush Etzion/YU Philosophy), and Yosef Reiss (Fasman/Gush Etzion/YU Physics) who plan to be with us all year and joined by a fourth fellow who couldn't attend the first weekend.

The fellows spent Friday leading a Yom Iyun for High School and another for Junior High on preparing and reflecting on the upcoming Rosh Hashanah and then led singing and parsha questions at Oneg Shabbat Parties for lower school.

Each visit they will spend Shabbat getting to know more about Columbus' vibrant Jewish community, and we hope the greater community will take opportunities to meet and welcome them. This first Shabbat was with Ahavas Sholom. Thank you Rabbi Weiner, Mrs. Neuman, and Judaic teachers for planning their visit.







### Stand with Us at CTA



In anticipation of the October 7th commemoration and considering current events, The Hebrew Department paired with Stand With Us for a series of talks and activities with Upper School students during this school year.

On September 26, Stand with Us Senior Midwest High School Regional manager, Hailey Stern, presented our high school with a session on

Antisemitism vs. Legitimate Criticism of Israel. The session emphasized that distinguishing between antisemitism and legitimate criticism of Israel can be clear-cut at times, but it often requires a nuanced understanding and skills. The program presented students with tools to effectively challenge antisemitism and navigate discussions about Israel. During the program recent examples were presented, and students had the opportunity to "practice" with those examples.

12th grader, Ayala Hazan, is a Stand with Us student intern for the 2024-2025 school year. We are looking forward to additional Stand With Us workshops about Zionism, Israel, and dealing with antisemitism which will be presented to Upper School during this year.





### **Sports Report** by Matt Bailey, Athletic Director



The Varsity Soccer team with Coach Gary Blumberg and company have been putting in a ton of work. After an 8-0 win vs conference foe OSD the Lions are now 4th in the 7 team United League. The Lions have 4 more contests to improve their league standings!



Middle School Soccer numbers are up and this young team has a bright future! Many of the Fall contests have been close against older and bigger competition. The middle school Lions are coming off a 2-2 vs conference foe Cypress Christian!



Calling all CTA Lions Fans to head out to game. Game schedule at www.torahacademy.org/ sportscalendar

Varsity Volleyball finished 2nd in the 10 team United League last year. They headed into Fall '24, with high expectations. After starting red hot at 4-1 the Lady Lions have dropped 2 of their last contests after injuries have struck the team. They currently sit in 3rd place in the River division of the league with October still to come!



Volleyball Clinic Training program for Grades 4-8 are underway to keep building the program from our younger athletes coming up! The 7-8th graders are great role models showing what it takes to be a Volleyball Lion!

### **Computer Science Offerings Keep Growing**

The Upper School is continuing to expand its computer science courses offerings with a new weekly course in 8th grade! The course follows code.org's Creating Apps with Devices unit, in which the students learn about the design process and the role of physical devices in computing using code.org's App Lab and Adafruit's Circuit Playground. Students continue their study of programming concepts that they began in 7th grade and apply them to develop apps that utilize hardware inputs and outputs.

The 7th grade weekly course is in its second year. Students are introduced to programming concepts such as variables, conditionals, and loops through the creation of interactive animations and games using block-based JavaScript in Code.org's Game Lab environment. The course culminates with students applying what they've learned throughout the year to design and code their very own game!

In 10th grade, all students take at least one semester of Computer Science Principles which introduces them to digital information, the internet, app design, and programming concepts such as variables, conditionals, and functions. Students have a choice to continue the course for a second semester as an Advanced Placement course, which includes additional programming concepts of lists, loops, parameters, and returns, data, and cybersecurity, culminating in the AP CS Principles AP Exam.



Every other year AP Computer Science A is offered as an elective course for 11th and 12th graders The course emphasizes object-oriented programming and design using the Java programming language. Fundamental topics in this course include the design of solutions to problems, the use of data structures to organize large sets of data, the development and implementation of algorithms to process data and discover new information, the analysis of potential solutions, and the ethical and social implications of computing systems. Last year, in the first year of the course at CTA we had nine students take AP CSA.







## Keep Up via Social Media

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# **A Little Bit Around Campus**



3rd grade has a picnic to share their narrative stories



Our hearts and prayers are in Israel



Lower School choir is 40 students!







After School Programs are going strong thanks to our partnership with Nexplore - Printmaking, Run Club, Inventors Club. Up next is Yoga and Chess starting November 7



Matchy match on Spiritwear Day



K-6 Ice Cream Sundaes for students who finished and turned in their Summer Challenges



Mrs. Farnsworth's 9th graders swab school surfaces for bacteria



Orbach family are reaping the bountiful harvest from the CTA Garden - Auction winners 2023!



Lions Softball has off season spirit

# **A Little Bit Around Campus**







Seniors spend a day helping to build a Habitat for Humanity home

CTA & Gan meets lots of people at Wexner Heritage Village Sweet as Honey Apple Festival



8th graders sell First Aid Kits - there are still some left!



Kindergarteners are getting into learning Hebrew reading and their Kriyah is soaring!



**Nutrition Week!!** 





Nothing better than this!!

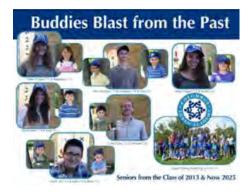


Or this!!



12th graders learned what makes something propaganda, and analyzed different forms of Nazi Propaganda from the 1930s

## **A Little Bit Around Campus**







Senior Buddy Match Up Day and a blast from the past for the Class of 2013 and 2025



Upper School competes each week in Jewish Day School Chess League



5th graders construct an egg drop device with limited materials and a ontrolle time for completion. Way to go to the stop 5 contenders: - 5th: Netanel Blank, 4th: Aviva Weiner, 3rd: Eli Adler, 2nd: Hudi Savage, 1st: Chaya Gabay



GHSP Camp Mary Orton Team Building Trip





GHSP delve into Elul with a BANG!



Aliza and Mati take the initiative to encourage davening for the Chayal of the Day



4th grade uses Lomdei - Judaic studies platform that is self paced



First grade makes first visit to their class tree - Red Buckeye - pictured is 1A

### School Culture Enhanced by Live School Leaderboard







Upper School has begun the second year of utilizing LiveSchool, an app and website designed to help schools with behavior management and student investment in a positive school culture.

Jenny Jones, Upper School Mathematics teacher and coordinator for LiveSchool shared, "CTA uses Liveschool to positively identify and reward students for doing the right thing. Students earn points for a variety of activities from strong attendance and classroom readiness to adhering to the school uniforms policy. I love recognizing students for standing out by asking an extraordinary question, taking the initiative to volunteer to read from the Torah, and overall show good Middot. They can also lose points for not doing the right thing."

Mrs. Jones went on to explain, "Students belong to one of three teams, called Houses - House Lavi, House Kefir, and House Aryeh, because in the end we are all Lions." Pictured above are the three Houses.

When students earn or lose points, they also earn or lose points for their House, and at the end of each semester, the House with the most points earns a reward like a Saba French Fry Bar during lunch. Additionally, there are quarterly challenges for the Houses to compete in, each with their own reward. Individually, students can exchange their points for a variety of rewards, ranging from mechanical pencils (small reward) to a dress down day (big reward).

Jones added, "The overall goal of using the LiveSchool House point system is to build up a positive school culture and help develop well-rounded young adults, and we're looking forward to the long-term growth of the program."

### Ask your K-6 student about the Middah of the Month!!!

# Middah of the Month September

K-6 students are expanding their middot with new ones to incorporate into their person (and we can all take note to be good role models). Zrizut/Zest is taking an approach to life with excitement, energy, and enthusiasm - LOVE it!!



# A snapshot from the Gan Gazette

The partnership between Gan Ephraim and CTA continues to flourish and Gan celebrates a milestone as they enter their 16th year. Renting fabulous space at Agudas Achim Synagogue, Gan Ephraim boasts their largest enrollment and can expand their program in the classrooms on the second floor.

Gan's partnership with CTA is strengthened through collaboration with Head of School, Rabbi Drandoff, Judaic Principal Rabbi Weiner, and Lower School Principal Constance Borro who recently came to observe the Pre-K classroom - gaining an understanding of how Gan teachers prepare the students for Kindergarten, helping align the curriculum and goals and working with her teachers to incorporate more play based learning in their classrooms.

Hats off to Gan who is working with Laurie Katz and Mindi Rhodes from the OSU.... on a STEAM project focusing on process based art and learning. Laurie and Mindi are helping teachers do a deep dive into some of their projects and focus on the intention and goals of the project which will help cultivate creativity and problem solving skills in Gan students. Check out the beehives the students built!

Gan Ephraim's Shabbat and Me program for children ages 6 months to  $2\frac{1}{2}$  years meets on Fridays at 9:15 am and is a great program for parents, grandparents, or caregivers to bring their little one for some pre-Shabbat songs, stories, and fun.

# CTA In Stock Spiritwear Store

Items on hand continues to grow. Show your school spirit and pride!

### www.torahacademy,org/spiritwear















## **Mazel Tovs**

Since August 25-September 29, 2024. Includes current and former families, faculty members, and supporters of CTA. Alumni graduates are listed by graduation year. Apologies in advance for any omissions or errors. Thank you for submissions and updates which can be sent to info@torahacademy.org

Mary Lynn Buster on the birth of her granddaughter

Jeff and Megan Buren on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Jonah

Daryl (8th Grade Class of 1987) and Beth Binsky on receiving the Shofar Award from Beth Jacob Synagogue

Mindy (Tanenbaum) (Class of 1997) and Matt Cooper on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Tuvy and to grandparents Karan (8th grade class of 1967) and Paul Tanenbaum and Barbara Cooper

Rabbi Zvi and Chaya Aviva Katz, former faculty, on the marriage of their son Shummy to Raizy Heyman

Rabbi Henoch and Dr. Rochel Millen on the marriage of their grandson Dovid Millen son of Rabbi Eliyahu and Devora Millen to Nechama Elka Silberstein of Toronto, Ontario Canada

Yael and Hezi Levi on the birth of a grandson to Noa and Chen Sapir

Rabbi Levi and Chanee Raichik on the birth of a son

Rabbi Jon and Leah Savage on receiving the Kesser Shem Tov Award at Beth Jacob Synagogue

David and Arava Weller on the marriage of their son Shais to Rochel Judah

Rabbi Dr. Mendy and Simha Wolf on being honored at the Congregation Ahavas Sholom Annual Dinner

### 1960s

Sheila Nutis Cutler (8th grade Class of 1967) on being honored at the Congregation Ahavas Sholom Annual Dinner

#### 2000s

Benji (Class of 2000) and Lauren Sapir on the birth of a daughter and to grandparents Ami z"l and Arlene Sapir

Zev (Class of 2006) and Michele Schramm on the birth of a son and to grandparents Dr. Marc and Sharon Schramm

Raquel Goldish (8th grade class of 2008) on her engagement to Pinchas Fishman and to parents Drs. Matt Goldish and Gila Schiowitz and Betty Goldish

#### 2010s

Sarah Epstein (Class of 2012) on her marriage to Shane Safran and to parents Jean z"l and Marc Epstein

#### 2020s

Sara Benmoshe (Class of 2021) on her marriage to Tzvi Anton and to parents Rabbi Avi and Perle Ben Moshe

Eli Bernzweig (Class of 2021) on his marriage to Rina Rogers and to parents Esther & David Bernzweig



12th grade student, Misha Kruglov has been accepted by the Ohio Attorney General's office for their Teen Ambassador program. The students advise the Attorney General's Office on issues relating to teens and collaborate with their peers to develop solutions to those issues. Ambassadors are placed in small

groups, advised by an assistant attorney general, and attend presentations on an array of topics. In addition, board members have the opportunity to meet with Attorney General Dave Yost, attend events statewide throughout the year, visit our Columbus and regional offices, interact with assistant attorneys general and hear from elected officials. Mazal Tov Misha!

## **Candlelighting**

Times based on zip code 43209

Oct.	2	Rosh Hashanah I	6:53
Oct.	3	Rosh Hashanah II	7:50
Oct	4	Ha'Azinu	6:50
Oct	11	Erev Yom Kippur	6:39
Oct	16	Erev Sukkot	6:31
Oct	17	Sukkot II	8:00
Oct	18	Shabbat Sukkot	6:28
Oct	23	Erev Shemini Atzeret	6:21
Oct	24	Erev Simchat Torah	7:51
Oct	25	Bereishit	6:19
Nov	1	Noach	6:10

Full Calendar at www.torahacademy.org/calendar

## **Condolences**

Dr. Steve (8th grade class of 1966) and Lisa Weiss, Dr. Mike (8th grade class of 1968) and Robyn Weiss, Bob Weiss and family on the loss of brother Dr. Alan Weiss. Edward Weiss, father of Dr Alan Weiss was the first PTO president of CTA

Miriam and Jon Gisser, Yaacov Moshe Peltz (Class of 2023) and family on the loss of grandmother and great grandmother Brukha Vatenmakher

Anne Bonowitz, former faculty member of CTA and family on the loss of brother and uncle Rabbi Sheldon Schiffman

Eliza and Todd Delman, Shylee (Class of 2020) and Azi Lebowitz, Talia Delman (Class of 2021), and Roni Delman (Class of 2024) on the loss of father and grandfather, Samuel Klafter



## **Siddur Dedications**



Please consider dedicating a copy of a new Artscroll Complete Siddur for use in the CTA Shul in honor of or in memory of a loved one for \$36 each or \$150 for five copies. Book plates will be included with the dedication.

Go to www.torahacademy.org/give to make donation



## From Generation to Generation

Pictured are the students in the 2024-2025 school year whose parents or grandparents are alumni graduates of CTA - a legacy of Jewish education.

## **Tzedakah**

Since August 16-September 25, 2024. Does not includes donations to special projects or the Spring Fundraiser. Submit any updates or errors to info@torahacademy.org. Make a donation at www.torahacademy.org/give

#### **Annual Fund**

- · Rabbi Michoel Alt Mrs. Shira Alt
- Aaron and Leah Freed in memory of Samuel Klafter.
- Yitzchak Gold in memory of sister, Sonia G. Fesman, AH
- Dr. Robert and Marcia Hershfield in memory of Samuel Klafter
- · Albert and Jackie Keri for a day of learning
- Gary Liebesman and Stacy Leeman in honor of marriage of Avior Hazan and Nathalie Tick
- Barbara Meluch for a school calendar
- Cheryl Miller for a day of learning
- Hella Reitman
- Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wasserman for a day of learning

### **Scholarship Fund**

Alex and Susan Rosen in memory of Ani Nemzer

#### **Dr. Irving Fried Discretionary Fund**

· Cousin Family Philanthropic Fund

# Sponsor a Chag

Please consider sponsoring an upcoming holiday.

We want our students to learn, celebrate, and experience. Special hands on programs and opportunities are planned for Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, and Sukkot. Sponsorship of a Chag is \$1800 and includes sponsorship recognition. plates will be included with the dedication.

Go to www.torahacademy.org/give to make donation

### **Days of Learning**

(Since August 22-September 27, 2024)
To see a full list or choose a day to sponsor, go to www.torahacademy.org/daysoflearning

August 28 is sponsored by Albert and Jackie Keri in memory of father (Yoseph ben Mashalla) and brother (Shammuel ben Yoseph) on their yarzheit of the 24th of Av.

September 17 is dedicated in memory of Joan Gross, who recently passed away.

September 23 is sponsored by Yaffa Gewirtz, Boaz and Rena in memory of Sam Klafter who passed away on September 17

September 24 is sponsored by Robert Wasserman in honor of his children and the education they received at Columbus Torah Academy

September 25, is sponsored by Cheryl Miller, in memory of her beloved parents, Anne (Henna Liba bat Avram Mayer) and Gus (Gutman ben Avraham Chaim) Block. Elul 22 is Anne's Yahrzeit

September 26 is sponsored by Henry and Candis Schwarz in memory of Kori Lessing

September 27 is sponsored in memory of Moshe Frank on his upcoming yarzheit, Elul 26



## Show your support of our school, students and teachers!

Days of learning can be dedicated in memory or honor of a loved one or to celebrate a birthday, anniversary, b'nai mitzvah, for a speedy recovery or other life cycle event.

A Day of Learning is a \$180 donation and dedications are listed on Fridays in the CTA Weekly Communicator and each month in the CTA Dateline. All proceeds directly support CTA.

Contact Shari Herszage to reserve your date.



# **Upcoming Events**

Mark your calendars and get involved for these fall events at CTA. Check out updates and details at

www.torahacademy.org/calendar

October 1-2: PTO Rosh Hashanah Flower Sale Pick Up

October 2: Erev Rosh Hashanah, Early Dismissal, 12 noon

October 3-4: Rosh Hashanah

October 9: The Wellness Institute Parent Webinar:

Emotion Regulation Skills, 8 pm (flyer and registration link)

October 11: Erev Yom Kippur, Early Dismissal, 12 noon

October 11: Uniform Logo Deadline

October 13: SAT

October 14: Tzedakah Box Turn In

October 14: CTA and Gan PTO presents Family Sukkah Art

Decorating & Dinner, 5:30 pm (flyer) October 16: No School, Erev Sukkot

October 17-18: Sukkot

October 19-23: Sukkot Chol HaMoed

October 20-21: High School Sukkot Trip to Hershey Park

October 21: Jr. High Sukkot Scavenger Hunt Trip

October 23: End of Upper School Q1

October 24: Shemini Atzeret

October 25: Simchat Torah

October 27: CTA and Gan Preschool to Grade 2 Parshat

Noach Family Farm Fun Day, 1-2:30 pm

October 29: Learning Center Information Night, 7 pm

November 1: Uniform Logo Deadline

November 3: SAT

November 3: Steak Dinner, 6-8 pm

November 5: Election Day

November 6: School Picture Retake Day November 6: 11th Grade College Night

November 11: Tech Talk, 7 pm

November 11-14: 8th Grade Trip to DC

November 12: Kindergarten Prospective Parent Open

House, 9:30 am

November 12: CTA Board Meeting, 7:30 pm