

Shalom parents and students,

I am excited to welcome you to our K-3 online class at The Emanuel Synagogue Religious School! I am looking forward to getting to know and work with each of the students as we explore and build Jewish identity and community in these challenging times, through art, discussion, stories and more.

The class will have a 2-part structure:

Part 1: Class time focused on Jewish identity and community -- Sundays, 9-9:45am, beginning October 18

Zoom link to be used each week:

<https://zoom.us/j/95876551063?pwd=RFIISmttUzhWM1BBNGRkdTV3d3RTQT09>

Meeting ID: 958 7655 1063 | Passcode: Emanuel

Part 2: Tutoring for Hebrew reading skills

30-minute weekly sessions, offered Monday-Thursday after 3pm. Please let me know if there is a weekly time that would work well for your student.

A bit about me: I am excited to be starting my second year of teaching at The Emanuel Synagogue Religious School! In my teaching, I work to foster learning communities that engage, support and challenge each unique student. I moved to Hartford last year, where I studied religion and peace-building skills at Hartford Seminary. I am now living with family in New Jersey, working and volunteering in the interfaith and education fields. I have a BA in religion and philosophy from Rutgers, with a minor in psychology.

Thank you so much for supporting your student's participation in this class. Please reach out to me with any questions or concerns. I am looking forward to beginning an enriching year on October 18!

Warmly,
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