

rsns TEEN connections



**If you're an RSNS teen,
you're in luck!**

On the following pages are detailed flyers for each of our fantastic RSNS teen programs! **Here's a quick run-down:**

Kesher Hadash The free RSNS co-ed teen youth group! We do fun weekend events once a month. RSVP and pay-as-you-go for any outside events.

Kulanu 8TH/9TH graders Explore a wide variety of topics in fun, engaging ways, with a separate, optional class for parents (All About God) with Rabbi Lee. \$100*/teen (parents are free). One Tuesday a month, 6:30-8pm, pizza included.

Better Together 10TH/11TH graders A brand-new program! Teens engage with adult seniors at North Shore Towers for dinner and social action programming one Sunday a month, 5-7pm. Thanks to a grant, this program is free!

Leading on Campus 12TH graders A special 3 hour program with an outside expert, about Jewish life, BDS, Anti-Semitism, etc on college campuses. 6:30-9:30pm, Tuesday, March 13th, dinner included. FREE!

Girls' Rosh Hodesh or **Boys' Bros' Hodesh** One Tuesday a month, 6:30-8pm. \$200* for the year's worth of dinners and programming!

Adopt-a-Survivor 8TH graders One Wednesday a month, 5:30-7pm. Free!

Spiritual Mentorship with Solomon 8-12TH graders Meet one-on-one over coffee/frozen yogurt with Solomon Hoffman, to explore how to find holiness and faith in both difficult and joyous moments.

Madrichim Work as an aide in our school!

Questions?

Ask Cantor Eric or
Rabbi Jodie.

*Register a teen for
both Kulanu and
Girls/Boys group = \$300.
A \$50 savings!





Kesher Hadash, 8-12TH graders Kesher Hadash means “New Connections” and all our teens are invited to join us for one weekend event each month - trips, outings, social action, and creative experiences - tons of fun ways to connect to your Judaism, and with friends old and new! The Kesher Hadash events are “pay as you go” - pick the ones that look good to you, and come whenever you can!

2017-2018 Kesher Hadash Calendar

9/17 Escape the Room. Watch for email with details.

10/7-8 Sukka Sleepover.

11/5 Mitzvah Day

12/16 Chanukkah Fry-Fest

1/15 MLK Day of Service

3/3 Post Purim party

4/19 Yom Ha'atzma'ut Celebration!

5/6 Israel Fest

Kulanu, 8-9TH graders, Tuesday nights Kulanu means “All of Us”. This is a teen program, with a separate, simultaneous class taught by Rabbi Lee for parents. One Tuesday a month from 6:30-8pm (pizza included), participants will explore a wide range of engaging topics with Cantor Eric or Solomon in fun, interactive ways!

Parents In the tradition of B'Yahad and Kadima, parents have the option to continue their own journey as learners in this monthly course taught by Rabbi Lee. This year's topic: All About God.

Dates 9/19 (teens only) 10/17, 11/21, 12/12, 1/23, 2/13, 3/20, 4/17, 5/29

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Better Together (10th/11th grade)

Our 10th and 11th graders will meet monthly with RSNS adult seniors. Teens and seniors will engage in a different social justice topic each month. They will utilize an interactive curriculum created by renowned educator and former executive of Avoda Arts, Deb Krivoy. Seniors and teens will also collaborate on a culminating final project to be presented at our annual congregational meeting in June. Except for the first and last session, the program will meet at North Shore Towers in Little Neck. Dinner is included. Program is FREE for 10th/11th graders.

All participants submit an essay at the conclusion of the program, to be entered in a contest with a guaranteed RSNS first prize of \$5,000-8,000!

Dates Wednesday, 9/13, 6:00-7:00pm: student orientation at RSNS.

Sunday afternoons, 5-7pm at North Shore Towers: 10/15, 11/19, 12/17, 1/21, 2/11, 3/18, 4/15, 5/20.

Sunday, June 3rd, 5pm: Final presentation at RSNS' Congregational meeting

Spiritual Mentorship (all teens)

An opportunity to explore personal experiences and challenges through the lens of Jewish texts and teachings. During individual meetings, we will explore how to find holiness and faith in both difficult and joyous moments. This is not therapy or counseling. Instead of focusing on solving problems, we'll look to Jewish sources as a perspective on the challenges and transitions of the teenage years. Solomon will meet with you once or twice a month over coffee/frozen yogurt. Educator Solomon Hoffman will mentor and Rabbi Jodie will supervise the program.

rsns boys TEEN connections

with
cantor eric

bro's hodesh.

Created by guys, for guys. Grades 8-12.
Tuesdays, 6:30-8pm, dinner included.

Being a guy is not always so simple. We like sports, and we like the arts. We like to hang out, and we like to do...well...stuff. In this boys-only group, we'll take an opportunity to explore what being a man - and more specifically, a JEWISH man - means, and what we can learn about ourselves and each other. Through activities, games, popular culture, food, discussions, and group experience, we'll take an opportunity to just be guys. Consistent participation is important for group bonding.

Bro's Hodesh is being offered this Fall in partnership with Moving Traditions; RSNS has been chosen to be part of a national pilot program involving cutting-edge programming for Jewish boys.



tuesdays, 6:30-8pm

Bro's Hodesh, 2017-2018

September 26
October 24
November 28
December 19
January 30
February 27
March 27
April 24
May 22
June 10 Bro-BQ!!

\$200

covers all project materials and food.
Sign up now and return the Teen Programs Registration Form with your check to RSNS.

questions?

email eric at rsnscantor@gmail.com

RSNS girls TEEN connections

with
rabbi jodie

rosh hodesh. it's a girls' thing.

Grades 8-12, Tuesdays @ RSNS, 6:30-8:00pm, dinner included

This wonderful program, based on the Jewish tradition of women's New Moon celebrations, builds self-esteem, Jewish identity, leadership skills and friendship networks of adolescent girls. The monthly meetings provide a supportive environment where girls can explore the social and cultural issues they encounter as they become adults - and derive their own authentic Jewish values in response to the challenges they face. The small groups are designed to provide an empowering setting in which girls can support each other in growing and learning while having lots of fun, with a participatory mix of discussing issues, traditions, and role models; making crafts and writing stories, rejoicing with song and dance, socializing, and munching. Consistent participation is necessary for group bonding.



tuesdays, 6:30-8:00pm

Girls Rosh Hodesh, 2017-2018

September 26	Heshvan
October 24	Kislev
November 28	Tevet
December 19	Shevat
January 30	AdarI
February 27	AdarII
April 24	Iyar
May 22	Sivan
June 12	Final Dinner

\$200 each

Covers all project materials and food. Sign up now and return the Teen Programs Registration Form with your check to RSNS.

questions?

email rabjodie@optonline.net

RSNS Madrichim Program 2017-2018 Covenant & Fact Sheet

What are *madrichim*? *Madrich* (singular) is the Hebrew for "guide." *Madrichim* will:

- **ATTEND A MANDATORY ORIENTATION ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 at 7:00 P.M.**
- Be compensated for their work or can earn community service hours
- Help teachers get supplies and organize students and lessons, tutor students, help in the office
- Be expected to arrive and leave on time, and keep absences to situations of illness and the like
- Enhance their experience in Synagogue School through their own continued learning (in training sessions)
- Continue to learn about Judaism, leadership, Jewish education, professional conduct and teaching techniques as part of their training
- Be evaluated on their general progress and job performance
- Commit to work ONE OR MORE days a week, depending on the Synagogue School's needs and the *madrich's* abilities, consistently on the same schedule every week.
- Attend training sessions throughout the year
- Be assigned to a classroom & teacher, the office, as a Hebrew tutor, or to work one-on-one with students.

Available days to work are Tuesdays, 4:00-6:30 p.m., Thursdays, 4:00-6:30 p.m.,

Fridays, 5:45-7:30 p.m. (Fridays are once a month), Saturdays, 8:45-11:15 a.m.

We strongly encourage everyone to participate in Keshet Hadash and Bros Hodesh or Girls Rosh Hodesh. We are confident that you would greatly benefit from those programs. However, this is not required for your participation in the *Madrichim* program.

You can apply for a *madrich/a* position in the Synagogue School by **completing the tear-off at the bottom of this page.** Return to RSNS as soon as possible. Rabbi Jodie will contact you with your placement information.

***Madrichim* Meetings (in addition to class time)**

Thursday, Sept. 7, 7:00-8:00 p.m.,

From 6:30-7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 14; Tuesday, January 16; Thursday, March 22 and Tuesday, May 8.

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RSNS Madrichim Program 2017-2018

RSNS strives to build a *Kehilla Kedosha*, a holy community. You can be an integral part of making this happen by becoming a member of our *madrichim* program. By signing this *brit* (covenant), all *madrichim* and their parents agree to abide by the above covenant.

***madrich/a* name:** _____

E-mail address: _____ **cell phone #** _____

***madrich/a* signature:** _____

Parent's name: _____

Parent's signature: _____

RSNS TEEN PROGRAMMING GRADES 8-12
EMERGENCY CONTACT INFO / REGISTRATION 2017-2018

PRINT CLEARLY

Name of Student (last) _____ (first) _____

Student's Cell # _____

Student's e-mail address _____

Student's usernames (Instagram, Snapchat, musical.ly, WhatsApp, etc.) _____

Parent's e-mail address _____

Parent cell phone # _____

TEEN PROGRAMS: Inclusive of grades 8-12 unless otherwise indicated. Check all programs for which you are registering.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Keshet Hadash Youth Group (pay per event) | <input type="checkbox"/> Kulanu – grades 8 & 9 - fee \$100** |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Madrichim - no fee | <input type="checkbox"/> Kulanu for parents (with Rabbi Lee) - no additional fee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adopt a Survivor - 8 th grade only - no fee | <input type="checkbox"/> Bros Hodesh - grades 8-12 - fee \$200** |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Spiritual Mentorship with Solomon (one-on-one) | <input type="checkbox"/> Girls Rosh Hodesh - grades 8-12 - fee \$200** |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Better Together – grades 10 & 11 – no fee | ***Register for Kulanu AND Bros Hodesh or Girls Rosh Hodesh |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Leading on Campus (March 13) – grade 12 – no fee | and the combined fee is \$250/student |

Total Payment \$ _____

PLEASE COMPLETE ALL EMERGENCY INFORMATION

1. Parent or Guardian _____

Work or daytime phone # _____ Cell Phone # _____

2. Parent or Guardian _____

Work or daytime phone # _____ Cell Phone # _____

In case of an emergency, if we are unable to reach a parent, who should be notified?

Name: _____ Phone # _____

Relation to child _____

Special needs: food allergies, medication *(Please put child's name and dosage on any medication to be kept in the office)*

_____ I acknowledge that no staff member will provide transportation to or from the RSNS in the event my child's customary transportation is unavailable, unless a special circumstance arises and I am notified first.

_____ I acknowledge that in the event of a medical emergency, a member of the RSNS staff may be required to drive my child to the nearest designated treatment facility (hospital or doctor) if that is the most reasonably prudent response at the time.

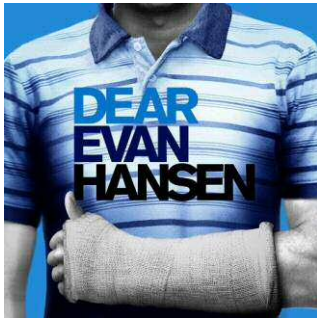
_____ I allow RSNS to use photos / videos containing images of my child.

_____ NO, I do NOT allow RSNS to use photos / videos containing images of my child.

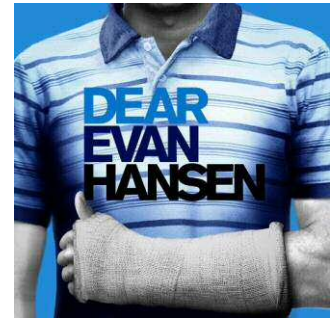
Parent Signature: _____ date: ____/____/____

One World Girl

Every Girl. Every Story. One World.



Join us at Broadway's
Dear Evan Hansen
Saturday, January 27, 2018
10am – 5pm



Our **Girl Empowerment Day on Broadway** starts at a NYC rehearsal studio, in a **Broadway workshop** that inspires your creativity and inner diva as you meet a panel of **Broadway artists** who share their experience of being female in the business. You will also participate in **improv/theatre games** as you role-play some of the most empowering female characters from Broadway's best known musicals. Then, we'll share **lunch and conversation** in the studio, and head to the theater to see **the matinee performance of *Dear Evan Hansen***.

Both deeply personal and profoundly contemporary, ***Dear Evan Hansen*** is a new American musical about life and the way we live it. ***Dear Evan Hansen*** has struck a remarkable chord with audiences and critics everywhere. The New York Times calls it "a gorgeous new musical for anyone with a beating heart." And NBC Nightly News calls this bold new musical "an anthem resonating on Broadway and beyond."

Cost is **\$200 per participant** (including workshop, lunch and performance), and spots are limited, available on a first come, first served basis. Some scholarships are available, upon request.

This workshop is open to all girls, ages 12 – 17!

For more information or to sign up,
Contact Lesley Mazzotta: lesleym@oneworldgirl.org or 917-623-4554.

One World Girl's mission is to empower, educate and champion every girl to live her unique life story and to become an agent for change in her community and the world.