

**HIGH HOLIDAY YOUTH SERVICE INFORMATION**

Dear WJC Families,

The High Holidays are approaching quickly. As we all begin to ready ourselves spiritually for these holy days, the WJC staff has the added responsibility of preparing ourselves programmatically to accommodate all our members and their families. We expect a large turnout for the High Holiday services.

In order to ensure the most enriching program for your child in the most secure environment, we ask that you keep the following schedules, information and protocols in mind.

<u>AGE</u>	<u>FLOOR -ROOM</u>	<u>SUPERVISED BY WJC STAFF</u>
Under age 2	2-6	NO
2 years old	2-10	YES
3 years old	2-12	YES
4 years	2-14	YES
Kindergarten	2-7	YES
1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	2-8	YES
2 <sup>nd</sup> – 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade	1-5	YES
4 <sup>th</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup> grade	2-17 (RH only)	YES
	Youth Lounge (YK only)	YES
6 <sup>th</sup> – 7 <sup>th</sup> grade	Library	YES
8 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup> grade	Activity Center	YES

**Please note the following times for youth programs:**

**Rosh Hashanah (Day 1 and 2)      11:00 – 12:30 pm**  
**Yom Kippur                                      11:15 – 12:45 pm**

- Due to open seating in the sanctuary, name tags will not be distributed from the WJC synagogue office. Children that are in the 2's, 3's and 4's will receive their name tag in the classroom that they are assigned. As you enter the classroom, a teacher will ask you for the last name of your child and place a label on your child.
- All Youth programs and services are age and grade specific. Parents may not request teachers to allow siblings of different ages to remain in services which are not age appropriate.
- A 20 minute Early Childhood service (similar to Torah for Tots) will be offered during our scheduled program for children in the younger age groups (age 2 – Kindergarten). In order to make sure your child does not miss the service please make sure to arrive to your classroom on time.
- Children in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and younger must be accompanied to their service by a parent and must be picked up by a parent. Please be prompt in order to help us facilitate our dismissal procedures. Children in 4<sup>th</sup> grade and above will be permitted to leave the room at conclusion of program.
- Snacks provided by the WJC Parent's Association will be given to children ages 2 through 7<sup>th</sup> grade on Rosh Hashanah and all children ages 2 through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade on Yom Kippur. We will also be providing a "snack room" on Yom Kippur for older children who may be hungry during youth services.
- Our rooms will be open only during youth service programs. No one will be permitted to remain in any room before or after youth programs.
- Please remind your child/teenager to leave all electronic equipment including their I-phone at home or away unseen during youth programs. If any device is found being used during a service, the leader will hold it and it will be returned to him/her at the end of the service.
- Once in services, students will not be dismissed until its completion, unless accompanied by a parent.
- We ask that children not wander through the building unaccompanied by an adult.

**Please remember that these protocols exist to ensure the safety of all our children and to assist us in providing the best experience for all our children.**

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