

E-Packet Check Off List

Please read all of the Back-to-School documents as many changes have been made and complete all of the required forms.

- ☐ Welcome letter from Rabbi Shaye Guttenberg, Head of School
- ☐ Handbook Acknowledgement Form (on-line forms)
- ☐ School Calendar 2020-2021
- ☐ Friday Time Change Document
- ☐ Mission Statement
- ☐ Uniform Information and Locations (check website for information)
- ☐ Letter from Nurse Lynn
- ☐ PTSA Letter and Sign Up Form
- ☐ Inclement Weather Policy
- ☐ Kashrut Information
- ☐ Dismissal Release Waiver (sent in Back to School Form)
- ☐ Parking Tag For (sent in Back to School Form)
- ☐ Plus Portals Letter (sent in Back to School Form)

All forms must be completed and returned.

Dear Hebrew Academy Families,

Every generation has a unique question of “*Where were you...?*” *Where were you on September 11th, 2001?*, *Where were you when Neil Armstrong landed on the moon?*, *Where were you when President John F. Kennedy was assassinated?*, *Where you were when the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor?* At this precise moment in time, we are all answering the question: *Where were you during COVID-19?* For our Hebrew Academy family, this question runs deeper with: What did you do for schooling during COVID-19?

As the COVID-19 pandemic began to shape the year 2020, Hebrew Academy looked to its values and mission to guide our actions. Almost overnight, our brave teachers changed their teaching styles, packed up their supplies, and transformed their entire persona from a physical classroom to a Zoom Room. As the Zoom routine became the norm, our staff’s never-ending commitment to our mission of “inspire each and every child to improve the world” continued. From personal phone calls, drive-through meals and events, Zoom parties, and more, Hebrew Academy was truly “in this together.” Soon enough, summer took hold and as the Zoom tones began to disappear from our homes, our staff reimagined our campus, classrooms, and upgraded safety measures to prepare for the coming year. As our Financial Aid requests were on the rise, we continued to invest in our families, our campus, and our community. To put it simply, Hebrew Academy invested as much as it could into the safety and education of our students and staff.

So, *where were you during COVID-19?* I know my answer. I can answer it proudly, that I was with a community that despite being presented with myriad challenges, including financial and health, our community stood together, and continued to support and invest in the Jewish education of our children. I recognize that for many families, making this choice was difficult due to those very same challenges of financial and health considerations and I thank you for choosing to select Hebrew Academy, especially this year. Your commitment speaks volumes and we will work as a community to be worthy of your bold choice. Choosing a Hebrew Academy education is an investment that lasts a lifetime.

This coming year will certainly be different and there will definitely be challenges down the road. However, it is my hope and prayer that we are given the courage and ability to forge ahead, supporting each other and our wonderful school.

May Hashem grant a speedy end to this difficult situation and bless us all with good health, prosperity, and spiritual connection.

Rabbi Shaye Guttenberg, MS, MBA
Head of School

[Hebrew Academy Back-to-School e-Packets, Forms, and Handbooks](#)

Warrior Parents,

In our continued effort to go **GREEN**, most of our online forms and acknowledgements in our Parent Back-to-School Online Forms Packet are now automated. In addition to reviewing and updating your Student Emergency, Medical, Car Registration, and Family Demographic information, you will be completing Prescription and Over-the-Counter Medication Forms, Transportation/Student Pick-up Forms, and Handbook Acknowledgements online. You will be receiving an email shortly with a link to your personalized Online Forms. **Please note that only one form submission can be completed per family. For that reason, in the case of a 2-parent household, the form will be emailed to the mother.**

Only registered families will be receiving the Back to School Online Forms Packet. If you have not yet registered your child(ren), please contact Daniella Folk in the Registrar's Office as soon as possible. Once registered, your packet will be emailed to you.

In order to ensure a seamless school opening, please make sure to review the important forms and Back-to-School E-packets on our website, www.hebrewacademymiami.org, under Parents - - - Back-to-School Forms and Packets. Also, please read through the appropriate Handbook and become acquainted with the school's policies and procedures. We ask that you complete all required forms and return them to the school office (or submit them, in the case of the online forms and acknowledgements) For your child(ren)'s safety no child will be permitted to attend classes without the necessary forms having been submitted.

Click the following link to view the 2020-21 Back-to-School e-Packets, additional forms, student handbooks and information pertaining to your child(ren)'s Division, located on our website. <https://www.hebrewacademymiami.org/>

[Hebrew Academy Back-to-School e-Packets, Forms, and Handbooks](#)

Thank you,

Brittanie Jackson

School Software Administrator



All **Handbook Acknowledgement Forms** are now part of our Online Forms program. Please read your respective handbook(s) and submit the Acknowledgement Forms online via our Administrator's Plus Online Forms module. An email will be sent out to you prior to the start of school with a link to your personalized Online Forms. Note that only one form submission can be completed per family. For that reason, in the case of a 2-parent household, the forms will be emailed to the mother only.

[Click here](#) to view Handbooks

The Online Forms must be completed and submitted. Failure to do so could jeopardize your child's attendance at the school for his/her own safety.

If you did not receive the email with a link to your Online Forms by early August, or should you have any questions or problems completing the forms, please contact our School Software Administrator:

Brittanie Jackson bjackson@rasg.org

School Hours:
Monday – Thursday

7:50 am – 3:50 pm
Early Childhood – Middle School

7:50 am – 4:15 pm
High School



HEBREW ACADEMY
RABBI ALEXANDER S. GROSS

305-532-6421

www.hebrewacademy.org

Friday Hours:
Entire School

7:50 am – 2:30 pm
August 28 – October 30
March 19 – June 11

7:50 am – 1:30 pm
November 6 – March 12

2020-2021 School Calendar 5780-5781

<div>12- New Teacher Orientation</div> <div>17-21- All Staff Professional Development Days</div> <div>18-20- Early Childhood Meet & Greet, By Appointment</div> <div>19- Middle School New Family Event, 4:00 pm</div> <div>20- New Families Virtual Tour, Grades 2-5, 10:30 am</div> <div>- Supply Pick Up, Grades 2-5, 1:00-3:00 pm</div> <div>21- New Families Visit, Grades Kindergarten & 1</div> <div>11:30-1:30 pm, By Appointment</div>	<div>23- Supply/Schedule Pick Up,</div> <div>Grades 10-12, 11:00-2:00pm</div> <div>High School Orientation, Grade 9, 2:00-3:30 pm</div> <div>24- First Day of School on Campus, ECE – Grade 1</div> <div>First Day of Virtual School, Grades 2-12</div> <div>Early Childhood Zoom Orientation, 10:00 am</div> <div>30- SAT @ Hebrew Academy</div>	<div>AUGUST 2020</div> <table><tr><th>S</th><th>M</th><th>T</th><th>W</th><th>Th</th><th>F</th><th>S</th></tr><tr><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>1</td></tr><tr><td>2</td><td>3</td><td>4</td><td>5</td><td>6</td><td>7</td><td>8</td></tr><tr><td>9</td><td>10</td><td>11</td><td>12</td><td>13</td><td>14</td><td>15</td></tr><tr><td>16</td><td>17</td><td>18</td><td>19</td><td>20</td><td>21</td><td>22</td></tr><tr><td>23</td><td>24</td><td>25</td><td>26</td><td>27</td><td>28</td><td>29</td></tr><tr><td>30</td><td>31</td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr></table>	S	M	T	W	Th	F	S							1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31					
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1- School Resumes
7- ACT
10- No School – Professional Development Day
12- Grandparents Day
15- No School – President’s Day

25- Noon Dismissal – Ta’anit Esther
26- No School – Purim
28- Shushan Purim

MARCH 2021						
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2- Poetry Night
6- Yahrzeit of Rabbi Alexander S. Gross zt”l
10- 3:00 pm Dismissal, Early Childhood-High School - Faculty Meeting
14- Daylight Savings
- SAT @ Hebrew Academy

19- 2:30 pm Friday Dismissal Returns
25-26- No School
27- Erev Pesach
29-31- No School - Pesach

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1-4- No School Pesach
4- ACT
5- No School – Isru Chag
8- Yom Hashoah
14- Yom Ha’Zikaron
15- Yom Ha’Atzmaut

21- 3:00 pm Dismissal, Early Childhood-High School - Faculty Meeting
22- Earth Day
26- Pesach Sheni
30- Lag B’Omer

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9- SAT @ Hebrew Academy
- Mother’s Day
10- Yom Yerushalayim
12- 3:00 pm Dismissal, Early Childhood-High School - Faculty Meeting

16- Erev Shavuot
17-18- No School - Shavuot
31- No School - Memorial Day

JUNE 2021						
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6- SAT @ Hebrew Academy
13- ACT

15- Noon Dismissal - Last Day of School
16- Summer Camp Begins
20- Father’s Day
27- Fast of Tammuz

JULY 2021						
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- First and Last Day of School
- No School
- Noon Dismissal
- Special Schedule
- 73rd Annual Gala Event
- Friday 1:30 pm Dismissal

Calendar dates and events are subject to change



We are excited about the upcoming school year and have been working diligently over the summer to create new programs and make changes in existing programs and procedures. Please note our school hours for the 2020-2021 school year.

Monday through Friday Start Time: 7:50 am

Monday through Thursday Dismissal:

ECE, Elementary, and Middle Schools: 3:50 pm

High School: 4:15 pm

Friday Dismissal for Everyone:

2:30 pm from August 28-October 30, 2020

1:30 pm from November 6, 2020-March 12, 2021

2:30 pm from March 19, 2021-June 11, 2021

We anticipate that streamlining arrival and dismissal times will help improve our carpool experience.



Mission Statement

**Through the light of Torah and
academic excellence, the
Hebrew Academy inspires each
and every child to improve the
world.**

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to school. We hope everyone had a safe and restful summer and are ready to start the new school year.

We must also have your child's health forms current and on file within the first week of school. As these forms are now white (no longer blue and yellow) I can accept a scan or photocopy of the forms. These forms are only obtained from your pediatrician's office or health department. Early childhood forms expire on your child's birthday or when the next immunization is due. I will notify you one month prior to the expiration date on the form. Please comply as soon as possible and have the new forms in before the expiration date or your child will not be allowed in class. In addition, *for early childhood only*, please [click here](#) to find the Influenza Virus form. This form must be printed out, signed and returned to school. The above is all a requirement of Dade County Children and Family services. It only indicates that you read the flyer, and does NOT require you to get your child a flu shot.

Please make sure to indicate online on the emergency information page if your child may have Tylenol, Advil or any other medication listed. No medication will be dispensed to your child without written or online authorization. Your child may not carry medication around school during the day. All medication must be administered only by the school nurse and with written authorization. All medication must also be in the original container.

Lastly, please report any communicable diseases your child may have during the school year. It is important that we let other parents know that a disease was present in their child's class. Of course, the name of the child will not be disclosed.

Thank you for your cooperation in these important matters. We must all work together to keep our children healthy and safe. Please feel free to contact the nurse's office with any concerns or comments, 305-532-6421, extension 132 or email at lfriedman@rasg.org.

Sincerely,

Lynn Friedman, RN, School Nurse



Miami-Dade County Immunization Requirements

Required Vaccines for Childcare Entry:

Diphtheria/Tetanus/Pertussis (DTaP)
 Polio Series (IPV)
 Measles/Mumps/Rubella (MMR)
 Varicella
 Haemophilus Influenzae Type B (Hib)
 Pneumococcal Conjugate (for children 2 to 59 months of age)

By the time a child starts childcare he/she should have already had all required immunizations.¹

PROOF OF THE FOLLOWING VACCINES ARE REQUIRED FOR ENTRY TO CHILDCARE

(Age-appropriate doses as indicated)

Vaccine	Dosage and Additional Instructions
(DTaP) Diphtheria/Tetanus/Pertussis	4 doses
(IPV) Polio Series	3 doses
(MMR) Mumps, Measles, Rubella	1 dose
(Varicella) Chickenpox	1 dose Exempt with history of chickenpox. ²
(Hib) Haemophilus Influenzae Type B (age appropriate)	1 to 4 doses The number of doses required for Hib varies, depending on the child's age and type of vaccine received
(PCV) Pneumococcal Conjugate	1 to 4 doses For children 2 to 59 months of age. ³

¹ Any child who has incomplete documentation of vaccination should be admitted in childcare only if they have an up to date temporary medical exemption, permanent medical exemption or religious exemption.

² The Varicella vaccine is not required if there is a history of chickenpox documented by the healthcare provider in the space provided on the DH 680 Form.

³ The number of doses required for PCV varies, depending on the child's vaccine start age.

IMMUNIZATIONS ARE AVAILABLE BY THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY
 TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT, CALL (786) 845-0550

<http://miamidade.floridahealth.gov/>

For complete information on school immunization requirements, please visit the Florida Department of Health, Bureau of Immunization Website at: <http://www.floridahealth.gov/programs-and-services/immunization/index.html>



Miami-Dade County Immunization Requirements

Required Vaccines for Pre-K Entry:

Diphtheria/Tetanus/Pertussis (DTaP)
 Polio Series
 Measles/Mumps/Rubella (MMR)
 Hepatitis B Series (Hep B)
 Varicella
 Haemophilus Influenzae Type B (Hib)

By the time a child starts Pre-K he/she should have already had all required immunizations.¹

PROOF OF THE FOLLOWING VACCINES ARE REQUIRED FOR ENTRY TO PRE-K (Age-appropriate doses as indicated)

Vaccine	Dosage and Additional Instructions
(DTaP) Diphtheria/Tetanus/Pertussis	4 doses
(IPV) Polio Series	3 doses
(MMR) Mumps, Measles, Rubella	1 dose
(Hep B) Hepatitis B	3 doses <u>Minimum intervals between dosages:</u> 4wks between dose 1 and 2 8wks between dose 2 and 3 A minimum of 16wks between dose 1 and 3. ²
(Varicella) Chickenpox	1 dose Exempt with history of chickenpox. ³
(Hib) Haemophilus Influenzae Type B (age appropriate)	1 to 4 doses The number of doses required for Hib varies, depending on the child's age and type of vaccine received

¹Any child who has incomplete documentation of vaccination should be admitted in Pre-K only if they have an up to date temporary medical exemption, permanent medical exemption or religious exemption.

²The minimum age for the third dose of Hep B vaccine is 24 weeks.

³The Varicella vaccine is not required if there is a history of chickenpox documented by the healthcare provider in the space provided on the DH 680 Form.

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Miami-Dade County Immunization Requirements

Required Vaccines for K-12:

Diphtheria/Tetanus/Pertussis (DTaP)
 Polio Series (IPV)
 Measles/Mumps/Rubella (MMR)
 Hepatitis B Series (Hep B)
 Varicella
 Tetanus/Pertussis Booster (Tdap) 7th Grade

By the time a child starts school he/she should have already had all required immunizations.¹

PROOF OF THE FOLLOWING IS REQUIRED FOR NEW STUDENTS, TRANSFER STUDENTS AND ENTRY TO SOME GRADE LEVELS

KINDERGARTEN – 12 TH GRADE			
Vaccine	Dosage	Recommended Age	Additional Instructions
(DTaP) Diphtheria/Tetanus/Pertussis	4-5 doses	2 months 4 months 6 months 12-18 months 4-6 years	If the 4 th DTaP dose is given on or after the 4 th birthday and a minimum of 6 months has elapsed since the 3 rd dose, the 5 th dose is not required.
(IPV) Polio Series	3-4 doses*	2 months 4 months 6-18 months 4-6 years	If the 3 rd dose is given on or after the 4 th birthday, the 4 th dose is not required. ² *An additional dose is needed, if the last dose was given <u>before</u> the 4 th birthday, for kindergarten entry.
(MMR) Mumps, Measles, Rubella	2 doses	12-15 months 4-6 years	2 doses for K-12 (minimum 28 days between doses)
(Hep B) Hepatitis B	3 doses*	Birth 1-2 months 6-18 months	3 dose series can be started at any age. <u>Minimum intervals between dosages:</u> 4wks between dose 1 and 2 8wks between dose 2 and 3 A minimum of 16wks between dose 1 and 3. ³ *There is an alternate 2 dose vaccine series for adolescents 11 through 15 years of age.
(Varicella) Chickenpox	1 - 2 doses	12-15 months 4-6 years	Children entering grades K-9 requires 2 doses. Children entering grades 10-12 require 1 dose. ⁴ Exempt with history of chickenpox. ⁵
(Tdap) Tetanus/Diphtheria/Pertussis	1 dose	11-12 years	Required for entrance into 7-12 grade after the above series of vaccines have been completed. ⁶

¹Any child who has incomplete documentation of vaccination for the required number of doses should be admitted in school only if they have an up to date temporary medical exemption, permanent medical exemption or religious exemption.

²This 3 dose exception does not apply when a combination of IPV and OPV regimen is administered

³The minimum age for the third dose of Hep B vaccine is 24 weeks.

⁴Minimum intervals by age: For children younger than 13yrs, a 3 month interval between dose 1 & 2 is needed. If the child is 13yrs or older a 1 month interval between dose 1 & 2 is needed.

⁵The Varicella vaccine is not required if there is a history of chickenpox documented by the healthcare provider in the space provided on the DH 680 Form.

⁶Td may be substituted for the Tdap vaccine if the Tdap vaccine is contraindicated.

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Dear Fellow Hebrew Academy Parents,

In the coming year, the HA PTSA will be organizing many events and activities for our children and our school. Below is a list of our programs. Please review and sign up for the ones that you would like to participate in. You can sign up by:

- completing our Parents' Start of School Online Forms (done online before the start of the school year);
- emailing or texting me, Jean Kim-Lehmann, Co-President of HA PTSA, at jean@lehmannfam.com or 917-691-7510 or Heidi Winer, Co-President at heidihwiner@gmail.com or 561-715-1593 or Diana Sragowicz, Co-President of HA PTSA, at soyyods@gmail.com
- circling the programs that you are interested in and turning in the form to Norma Reiz during supply drop off or on the first day of school.

EVENTS:

Box Tops	Chanukah Celebration w Krispy Kreme
Rosh Hashana Honey Bear Program	Middle School Mid-Term Treat
Parent Social Events	Purim Mishloach Manot Fundraiser
Chanukah Gelt Fundraiser	Teacher Appreciation Week
Holiday Spectacular Program	School Supplies (mail order)
Class Pictures	Purim Carnival
Bar & Bat Mitzvah Celebrations	Uniform/Warrior Wear
High School Mid-Term Treat	Class Parent Program

Name: _____ **Cell:** _____ **Email:** _____

If you have any questions or need more information about these events, please contact me at my email/cell noted above.

Our HA PTSA can only be as good as we make it. Let's work together to make our school, the Hebrew Academy, as great as it can be! I look forward to hearing from you!

Thank you,

Jean Kim-Lehmann
Heidi Winer
Diana Sragowicz
Hebrew Academy PTSA Presidents



INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

THE CORNERSTONES OF OUR INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY ARE:

**GOOD JUDGMENT
COMMON SENSE
SAFETY FIRST**

1. The Academy will follow the lead of the Miami-Dade Public School System regarding school closure and evacuation.

2. In the event that there is no public school scheduled for a day when the Academy is in session, and therefore no announcement regarding the public-school system, we will act according to the following guidelines:

In the event of a HURRICANE WATCH OR HURRICANE WARNING for Miami-Dade County, there will be no school. If school is already in session and a hurricane watch or warning is posted, students will be sent home in an organized manner.

In the event of a TROPICAL STORM WATCH OR WARNING, the school will be open.

3. In all cases when the Academy is open, use good judgment and common sense in deciding whether to go to work or send your children to school. If you live in Broward or Monroe counties, act in accordance with the conditions where you live if the weather is more severe than near the school, and/or you feel that it is not prudent to travel to school. Even if you live in Miami-Dade County, if in your best judgment the roads near your home are not safe, or you have any other safety concerns, act accordingly.

4. Listen to the local radio and television stations for updates about weather conditions and school closings and school reopening. In addition, if there is power, we will post regularly updated messages on the **school emergency hotline at 305-460-3246** and/or the website.

5. After a school closure, each campus will be thoroughly inspected for safety and health concerns before the announcement of the reopening of school will be declared. Information will be available through as many means of communication as possible. The school's decision to reopen or remain closed may not be consistent with the Public School's decision to reopen or remain closed. Administrators will make the decision to reopen or remain closed.

6. In the event of a sudden tornado or severe weather warning while school is in session, the students will be moved into the high school cafeteria or safe place if deemed necessary for safety.

Dear Parent,

We would like at this time to remind all of our families of our policy in the school for Kashrut in relation to food. Kosher food is a most important Mitzvah and one that we hold as dear and important to all of us. For this reason, we have a clear set of guidelines for Kashrut in our Parent/Student handbook.

It is important that parents also remember that many of our students and families are extremely particular about this beautiful Mitzvah. We all want every student to feel comfortable being invited to each other's home, or simcha. We urge you to keep this in mind when planning a home party or Simcha (such as a Bar or Bat Mitzvah, birthday party or the like) especially when inviting our families and students. This will allow us all to share in each other's happy occasions in comfort, and with true Jewish pride.

All parties, if catered, should be arranged through a company that holds a nationally recognized Orthodox Hashgacha or be certified Kosher through the KM or ORB, the local Orthodox Hashgacha (Supervisory) agencies. This will allow "all" our students, families and staff to feel comfortable eating and participating in the event. Products should only be purchased if they maintain kosher symbols (seals) that are nationally recognized. For your convenience, we have listed and diagrammed the ones most recognized for you, at the end of this letter. Whenever catering or serving food, adhere to the Kashrut requirements of not serving meat and dairy at the same party.

We also urge you when arranging parties that take place on Shabbat or Chagim or immediately after to allow enough time for invitees to arrive or leave without having to violate Shabbat or Holiday laws.

If you have any doubts or questions in regard to this, please do not hesitate to call. We will be glad to help or assist you in ensuring the standards meet the needs of all of our families and students.

Sincerely,

Administration

The Hebrew Academy (RASG) does not certify any agency as being acceptable or unacceptable. These are "examples" of accepted National symbols. Whenever in doubt, confer with your local Orthodox Rabbi or call us at school for assistance.





2020 Partial List of Acceptable Kashruth Symbols from the Chicago Rabbinical Council

A gift from Eric and Gale Rothner in memory
of Rabbi Moshe Kushner Z"l



This card is NOT a complete list. See www.crcweb.org for more info.



Visit www.ASKcRc.org to search for information on hasgachos, medicines, vegetables, liquor, cereal brachos, beverages, kashering, and more.

**GREATER MIAMI HEBREW ACADEMY, INC.
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PERMISSION FORM AND RELEASE WAIVER FOR DISMISSAL**

I/we _____ am/are the Parent(s)/Guardian(s) of the
following Student(s) at the Hebrew Academy,

and notwithstanding the foregoing; I/we give permission for my/our child to either drive his/her own vehicle, ride the city bus or walk from school once they are dismissed.

By signing this waiver, I/we do so understand the inherent risks and liabilities involved in allowing students to drive, walk or take the bus. By signing below, Parent(s)/Guardian(s) and Student agree to hold Hebrew Academy, and its employees, staff, directors, officers, trustees, agents, and volunteers harmless from and against any and all liabilities, claims, suits, damages, injury or death of persons, damage to or destruction of property, fees, costs and expenses whatsoever (including reasonable attorneys' fees and court costs) arising out of, resulting from, pertaining to, attributed to, or in any way relating to Student being transported by himself/herself, as applicable. I/we certify that all of my/our child's living parent(s) and/or legal guardian(s), as applicable, have duly signed this document. This document also evidences my/our waiver and release of all and any claims, damages, liabilities, actions, costs, or expenses which I/we or Student may have against Hebrew Academy arising in any way out of Student's travel to/from the school. The types of claims hereby released include contract claims, statutory claims, torts of any kind, negligence, intentional acts, economic and non-economic damages, expenses, costs, insurance claims, attorneys' fees, or any other type of claim.

Name of Parent /Guardian	Parent/Guardian Signature	Date

Name of Parent /Guardian	Parent/Guardian Signature	Date

Name of Student	Student Signature	Date

**PARENT/STAFF
PARKING TAG REGISTRATION FORM**

NAME:
<input type="checkbox"/> Parent <input type="checkbox"/> Staff (Please check only one box)
CAR 1
MAKE:
MODEL:
COLOR:
YEAR:
LICENSE PLATE #
DRIVER'S LICENSE:
INSURANCE COMPANY:

CAR 2
MAKE:
MODEL:
COLOR:
YEAR:
LICENSE PLATE #
DRIVER'S LICENSE:
INSURANCE COMPANY:

PLEASE EMAIL FORM TO
security@rasg.org. THANK YOU



Connect with Plus Portals!

In our continued effort to improve our school-home communications, the Hebrew Academy has implemented a Parent/Student Web Portal, called ParentPlus/StudentPlus. The Parent Portal includes a mobile app as well, called ParentPlus, and a separate app for students, called Student Plus, which will allow you to view your child(ren)'s grades, homework, class schedule, attendance, alerts and announcements, and the school calendar from your iOS and Android mobile devices. Login information will be emailed to all new parents and students closer to the start of school.

You can get to the Parent and Student Web Portal by going to our new website, www.hebrewacademymiami.org, by clicking “Plus Portal Signin” on the top right of every page. You can also go directly to the portal, using the following link:

<https://www.plusportals.com/RASG>

We have put together a FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions) sheet for your reference. You can find the FAQs under Parents --- Parent Portal Information.