

September 23, 2012

Dear Shir Aliyah Parents and Choir Members,

Welcome to the 2012-2013 year for Shir Aliyah! We hope you had a great summer.

As last year, Shir Aliyah will have two enrollment periods during the year. The first period will be open until September 30<sup>th</sup>. All contracts and payments must be received by this date and include mandatory parent and choir member attendance at our first rehearsal on ***Sunday September 23rd at 10:00am***. The second enrollment period will be in December.

In keeping with our resolve to make Shir Aliyah the best musical group it can be, the following requirements **must** be met:

(Please note that we are expecting a large choir group this year and in order for that to work all parents and choir members will be responsible for following these guidelines.)

1. Rehearsals for choir are on **Wednesday (M/W students)** and on **Thursday (T/TH students)** during recess time, which begins promptly at 5:00 PM in the sanctuary. Snacks will be provided. Students are sent back to class at 5:30PM. *Please note that in order to remain a choir member you must maintain your Hebrew school work.*
2. Excessive **unexcused absences may result in** the choir member's suspension for the remainder of the term.
3. Sunday rehearsals will begin promptly at 10:00 AM until 11:00 AM in the main sanctuary. (Unless otherwise noted)
4. Performances on the first Friday night of the month (FAMILY SERVICE) require that all choir members report to the sanctuary **NO LATER THAN 7:00 PM** unless otherwise notified. If you are late then your solo will be reassigned. Please refer to the choir calendar for exact dates.
5. The choir has a **UNIFORM**. Each choir member must wear appropriate black pants or skirts and their Shir Aliyah shirt to **ALL PERFORMANCES**.  
**i. As we are on the Bima, appropriate head covering is required.**
6. Talking and whispering to other choir members during performances will not be tolerated and can result in permanent separation from friends during performances. Continued interruptions can result in dismissal for the performance.
7. There are absolutely no electronic devices allowed at any time. If seen being used the Parent coordinator or chaperone will take it away and will only return it to the choir members parent after the performance.
8. No chewing gum or eating during performances.
9. **Attention must be on Hazzan or parent helper at all times.**

10. Bathroom and water breaks must be taken prior to all performances. Parents, please make sure that your child is prepared to sit through these performances without any interruptions.

We all love to sing, but there is some real work and discipline that is required to make the choir sound its best. We hope that you understand the importance of these guidelines. Parents we ask that you stress these rules to your child out of respect for Hazzan, other choir members and the Temple and its families.

Please note that all choir members in good standing will have credit given towards Shabbat Track as determined by the temple office.

**EACH CHOIR MEMBER AND PARENT MUST BE COMMITTED TO THE ABOVE RULES AND STANDARDS IN ORDER FOR THE ENTIRE EXPERIENCE TO RUN SMOOTHLY AND SUCCEED.**

Please see the attached sheet for service, rehearsal and special events dates and times.

**SHIR ALIYAH SHIRT AND FEE REQUEST FORM:**

There is a \$25.00 fee per child to cover the cost of choir shirts and end of year event. If you have more than one child in the choir or have any financial concerns please speak to Alan Jacobs or Hazzan Stein. All information will be confidential.

A fee of \$10.00 for past year choir participants who already have a shirt *and do not need a new one* will be required with your application to cover end of year party.

Shirt Size (if needed)	Youth	S_____	M_____	L_____	
	Adult	S_____	M_____	L_____	XL_____

Amount \$\_\_\_\_\_

**Parents please check off what you will be able to help with.**

Family Services chaperone coordinator \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Tree \_\_\_\_\_

Wednesday Rehearsal \_\_\_\_\_

Thursday Rehearsal \_\_\_\_\_

Snack coordinator \_\_\_\_\_

Your name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Choir member name \_\_\_\_\_

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Please sign below to acknowledge reading this letter and agree to rehearsals, performances and the rules that apply to participation in Shir Aliyah. All signed contracts must be submitted with payment prior to or on September 30 or your child will have to wait for our next open enrollment schedule in December. Completed forms with a check made out to Temple Aliyah may be left in the main office – there is a mail box labeled Shir Aliyah.

Thank you,

Hazzan Stein

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Choir member name \_\_\_\_\_

## Schedule for Rehearsals and Performances as of September 2012

Date	Item	Location	Time
Sunday, September 23, 2012	First meeting		10:00 AM
Monday, September 24, 2012			
Tuesday, September 25, 2012	Erev Yom Kippur		
<b>Wednesday, September 26, 2012</b>	<b>Yom Kippur</b>	<b>No School</b>	
Thursday, September 27, 2012			
Friday, September 28, 2012			
Saturday, September 29, 2012			
Sunday, September 30, 2012			
Monday, October 01, 2012			
Tuesday, October 02, 2012			
Wednesday, October 03, 2012	M/W School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Thursday, October 04, 2012	T/TH School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Friday, October 05, 2012	FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICE	Main Sanctuary	7:00 PM
Saturday, October 06, 2012			
Sunday, October 07, 2012			
Monday, October 08, 2012			
Tuesday, October 09, 2012			
Wednesday, October 10, 2012	M/W School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Thursday, October 11, 2012	T/TH School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Friday, October 12, 2012			
Saturday, October 13, 2012			
Sunday, October 14, 2012	Rehearsal		10:00 AM
Monday, October 15, 2012			
Tuesday, October 16, 2012			
Wednesday, October 17, 2012	M/W School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Thursday, October 18, 2012	T/TH School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Friday, October 19, 2012	Performance		African Shabbat
Saturday, October 20, 2012			
Sunday, October 21, 2012			
Monday, October 22, 2012			
Tuesday, October 23, 2012			
Wednesday, October 24, 2012	M/W School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Thursday, October 25, 2012	T/TH School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Friday, October 26, 2012			
Saturday, October 27, 2012			
Sunday, October 28, 2012	Interfaity with St. Bernardines	St Bernardines	TBD
Monday, October 29, 2012			
Tuesday, October 30, 2012			
<b>Wednesday, October 31, 2012</b>	<b>Professional day</b>	<b>No School</b>	
Thursday, November 01, 2012	T/TH School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Friday, November 02, 2012	FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICE	Main Sanctuary	7:00 PM
Saturday, November 03, 2012			
Sunday, November 04, 2012	Mitzvah Day	TBD	TBD

Monday, November 05, 2012			
Tuesday, November 06, 2012			
Wednesday, November 07, 2012	M/W School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Thursday, November 08, 2012	T/TH School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Friday, November 09, 2012			
Saturday, November 10, 2012			
Sunday, November 11, 2012			
Monday, November 12, 2012			
Tuesday, November 13, 2012			
Wednesday, November 14, 2012	M/W School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Thursday, November 15, 2012	T/TH School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Friday, November 16, 2012			
Saturday, November 17, 2012			
Sunday, November 18, 2012			
Monday, November 19, 2012	Thanksgiving week	No School	
Tuesday, November 20, 2012	Thanksgiving week	No School	
Wednesday, November 21, 2012	Thanksgiving week	No School	
Thursday, November 22, 2012	Thanksgiving week	No School	
Friday, November 23, 2012	Thanksgiving week	No School	
Saturday, November 24, 2012			
Sunday, November 25, 2012			
Monday, November 26, 2012			
Tuesday, November 27, 2012			
Wednesday, November 28, 2012	M/W School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Thursday, November 29, 2012	T/TH School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Friday, November 30, 2012			
Saturday, December 01, 2012			
Sunday, December 02, 2012	Rehearsal		10:00 AM
Monday, December 03, 2012			
Tuesday, December 04, 2012			
Wednesday, December 05, 2012	M/W School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Thursday, December 06, 2012	T/TH School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Friday, December 07, 2012	FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICE		7:00 PM
Saturday, December 08, 2012			
Sunday, December 09, 2012	Rehearsal		10:00 AM
Monday, December 10, 2012			
Tuesday, December 11, 2012			
Wednesday, December 12, 2012	M/W School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Thursday, December 13, 2012	T/TH School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Friday, December 14, 2012			
Saturday, December 15, 2012			
Sunday, December 16, 2012			
Monday, December 17, 2012			
Tuesday, December 18, 2012			
Wednesday, December 19, 2012	Winter Break	No School	
Thursday, December 20, 2012	Winter Break	No School	

Friday, December 21, 2012	Winter Break		
Saturday, December 22, 2012	Winter Break		
Sunday, December 23, 2012	Winter Break		
Monday, December 24, 2012	Winter Break		
Tuesday, December 25, 2012	Winter Break		
Wednesday, December 26, 2012	Winter Break		
Thursday, December 27, 2012	Winter Break		
Friday, December 28, 2012	Winter Break		
Saturday, December 29, 2012	Winter Break		
Sunday, December 30, 2012	Winter Break		
Monday, December 31, 2012	Winter Break		
Tuesday, January 01, 2013	Winter Break		
Wednesday, January 02, 2013	Winter Break		
Thursday, January 03, 2013	Winter Break		
Friday, January 04, 2013	FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICE		7:00 PM
Saturday, January 05, 2013	Winter Break		
Sunday, January 06, 2013	Winter Break		
Monday, January 07, 2013			
Tuesday, January 08, 2013			
Wednesday, January 09, 2013	M/W School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Thursday, January 10, 2013	T/TH School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Friday, January 11, 2013			
Saturday, January 12, 2013			
Sunday, January 13, 2013	Rehearsal		10:00 AM
Monday, January 14, 2013			
Tuesday, January 15, 2013			
Wednesday, January 16, 2013	M/W School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Thursday, January 17, 2013	T/TH School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Friday, January 18, 2013	Gospel Shabbat	Main Sanctuary	7:00
Saturday, January 19, 2013			
Sunday, January 20, 2013			
Monday, January 21, 2013			
Tuesday, January 22, 2013			
Wednesday, January 23, 2013	M/W School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Thursday, January 24, 2013	T/TH School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Friday, January 25, 2013			
Saturday, January 26, 2013			
Sunday, January 27, 2013			
Monday, January 28, 2013			
Tuesday, January 29, 2013			
Wednesday, January 30, 2013	M/W School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Thursday, January 31, 2013	T/TH School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Friday, February 01, 2013	FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICE		7:00 PM
Saturday, February 02, 2013			
Sunday, February 03, 2013	Rehearsal		10:00 AM
Monday, February 04, 2013			

Tuesday, February 05, 2013			
Wednesday, February 06, 2013	M/W School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Thursday, February 07, 2013	T/TH School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Friday, February 08, 2013			
Saturday, February 09, 2013			
Sunday, February 10, 2013			
Monday, February 11, 2013			
Tuesday, February 12, 2013			
Wednesday, February 13, 2013	M/W School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Thursday, February 14, 2013	T/TH School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Friday, February 15, 2013	Debbie Friedman Shabbat	Main Sanctuary	7:00 PM
Saturday, February 16, 2013			
Sunday, February 17, 2013			
Monday, February 18, 2013			
Tuesday, February 19, 2013			
Wednesday, February 20, 2013	M/W School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Thursday, February 21, 2013	T/TH School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Friday, February 22, 2013			
Saturday, February 23, 2013			
Sunday, February 24, 2013	Purim Carnival	At Carnival stage	TBD
Monday, February 25, 2013			
Tuesday, February 26, 2013			
Wednesday, February 27, 2013	M/W School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Thursday, February 28, 2013	T/TH School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Friday, March 01, 2013	FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICE		7:00 PM
Saturday, March 02, 2013			
Sunday, March 03, 2013			
Monday, March 04, 2013			
Tuesday, March 05, 2013			
Wednesday, March 06, 2013	M/W School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Thursday, March 07, 2013	T/TH School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Friday, March 08, 2013			
Saturday, March 09, 2013			
Sunday, March 10, 2013	Rehearsal		10:00 AM
Monday, March 11, 2013			
Tuesday, March 12, 2013			
Wednesday, March 13, 2013	M/W School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Thursday, March 14, 2013	T/TH School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Friday, March 15, 2013			
Saturday, March 16, 2013			
Sunday, March 17, 2013			
Monday, March 18, 2013			
Tuesday, March 19, 2013			
Wednesday, March 20, 2013	M/W School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Thursday, March 21, 2013	T/TH School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Friday, March 22, 2013			



Saturday, March 23, 2013			
Sunday, March 24, 2013			
Monday, March 25, 2013	Spring Break	No School	
Tuesday, March 26, 2013	Spring Break	No School	
Wednesday, March 27, 2013	Spring Break	No School	
Thursday, March 28, 2013	Spring Break	No School	
Friday, March 29, 2013	Spring Break	No School	
Saturday, March 30, 2013			
Sunday, March 31, 2013			
Monday, April 01, 2013	Spring Break	No School	
Tuesday, April 02, 2013	Spring Break	No School	
Wednesday, April 03, 2013	Spring Break	No School	
Thursday, April 04, 2013	Spring Break	No School	
Friday, April 05, 2013	FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICE		7:00 PM
Saturday, April 06, 2013			
Sunday, April 07, 2013	Rehearsal		10:00 AM
Monday, April 08, 2013			
Tuesday, April 09, 2013			
Wednesday, April 10, 2013	M/W School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Thursday, April 11, 2013	T/TH School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Friday, April 12, 2013			
Saturday, April 13, 2013			
Sunday, April 14, 2013			
Monday, April 15, 2013			
Tuesday, April 16, 2013			
Wednesday, April 17, 2013	M/W School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Thursday, April 18, 2013	T/TH School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Friday, April 19, 2013	Israel Shabbat	Main Sanctuary	7:00 PM
Saturday, April 20, 2013			
Sunday, April 21, 2013			
Monday, April 22, 2013			
Tuesday, April 23, 2013			
Wednesday, April 24, 2013	M/W School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Thursday, April 25, 2013	T/TH School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Friday, April 26, 2013			
Saturday, April 27, 2013			
Sunday, April 28, 2013			
Monday, April 29, 2013			
Tuesday, April 30, 2013			
Wednesday, May 01, 2013	M/W School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Thursday, May 02, 2013	T/TH School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Friday, May 03, 2013	FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICE		7:00 PM
Saturday, May 04, 2013			
Sunday, May 05, 2013			
Monday, May 06, 2013			
Tuesday, May 07, 2013			

Wednesday, May 08, 2013	M/W School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Thursday, May 09, 2013	T/TH School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Friday, May 10, 2013			
Saturday, May 11, 2013			
Sunday, May 12, 2013			
Monday, May 13, 2013			
Tuesday, May 14, 2013			
Wednesday, May 15, 2013	Shavout	No School	
Thursday, May 16, 2013	Shavout	No School	
Friday, May 17, 2013			
Saturday, May 18, 2013			
Sunday, May 19, 2013	End or year party	TBD	
Monday, May 20, 2013			
Tuesday, May 21, 2013			
Wednesday, May 22, 2013	M/W School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Thursday, May 23, 2013	T/TH School Rehearsal	Main Sanctuary	5:00 to 5:30 PM
Friday, May 24, 2013			
Saturday, May 25, 2013			
Sunday, May 26, 2013			
Monday, May 27, 2013			
Tuesday, May 28, 2013			
Wednesday, May 29, 2013			
Thursday, May 30, 2013			
Friday, May 31, 2013			
Saturday, June 01, 2013			
Sunday, June 02, 2013			
Monday, June 03, 2013			
Tuesday, June 04, 2013			
Wednesday, June 05, 2013			
Thursday, June 06, 2013			
Friday, June 07, 2013	FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICE		7:00 PM