



2020-2021 (5781)

Religious School with Honors Application

Level II: Student Leader

Congregation Emanu-El of the City of New York

Mazal tov! You have already demonstrated that you are an active member of the Temple community by achieving Religious School with Honors Level I. To earn Level II, participate in five more events or BABAYIT: Emanu-El at Home activities, with at least one in each of the following categories: Torah, Avodah, and G'milut Chasadim (the fourth and fifth can fall into any category). You will also need to submit evidence for each of the three categories (photos of your work, etc.). See the reverse side of this form for details.

Name of Student: _____ Grade: _____ Day of Week Attending Religious School: _____

	Date of event or of completing activity/challenge	Name of event or activity/challenge	Type of event/activity/challenge (check one):			What did you experience at this event or by doing this activity/challenge that connects it to Torah, Avodah, or G'milut Chasadim?
			Torah (study)	Avodah (worship)	G'milut Chasadim (kind acts)	
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Signature of Student: _____ Signature of Parent or Guardian: _____ Date: _____

“On three things the world stands. On Torah (study), on Avodah (worship), and on G’milut Chasadim (kind acts)”
--Pirkei Avot 1:2

Pirkei Avot, a book of 2,000-year old Jewish wisdom not found in the Bible, teaches us that the world is built on **Torah, Avodah and G’milut Chasadim**. To achieve Religious School with Honors Level II, students must participate in events and Babayit activities that fall into one of each of these categories (the fourth and fifth can be from any category). The following are examples of **events and activities** which qualify for each category. It is not a complete list; if you think you did something that qualifies—just ask!

- **Torah (study)**

- Playing a part in Hebrew Word of the Day or one of our skits/game shows
- Attending the Purim Carnival
- Attending any Shabbat service or holiday celebration with a story or sermon
- Many Babayit activities, including
 - Create a Torah scroll, or Pass the Torah video
 - Design a diverse Noah’s Ark
 - Create a Pandemic Time Capsule

- **Avodah (worship)**

- Attending Family Worship Services
- Leading a prayer during Religious School Tefilah
- Many Babayit activities, including creating Shabbat candlesticks, challah cover or Kiddush cup.
- Participating in family service videos

- **G’milut Chasadim (kind acts)**

- Donate to synagogue tzedakah drives
- Participate in a Mitzvah Project
- Create a Tzedakah box

After completing the five events or activities and challenges, please submit this document along with evidence of your participation in each of the three categories to Rachel Kaplan, Religious School with Honors Coordinator, at rkaplan@emanuelnyc.org. We will then share your photos and other documentation to inspire others with your achievement!

NEXT STEP: Once you have become a Student Leader by achieving Religious School with Honors Level II, continue on to **Level III: Role Model**. More details to come!

Please visit emanuelnyc.org/RS-honors to learn more about the Religious School with Honors program or to download additional forms, or contact Rachel Kaplan at rkaplan@emanuelnyc.org with your questions.

To find all of our BABAYIT: Emanu-El at Home activities and challenges, cut and paste this link into your browser: <http://bit.ly/TEEathome>.