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Enrollment Packet 2024 - 25

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Dear Parents,

Now, more than ever, we owe our children the education that provides them with wisdom, inner strength, and inspiration. Our obligation to raise leaders who are Jewish, successful, and proud has been put into focus by our enemies and our friends. We invite you to register your child today to grow within San Diego Hebrew Day School this coming year, and to enable them to construct meaningful and joyous lives.

The adversities of these past three months have pulled us, the Jewish people, together in amazing ways – offering one another strength, hope, kindness, and solidarity like never before. The most profound lesson of Jewish history is that, with resolve, parents and teachers together always succeed to carry Judaism forward. This is the miracle of Jewish survival – and we prove it.

San Diego Hebrew Day also engenders life-long wellness and resilience within children. Our educational team is remarkable in providing students with a sense of safety and empowerment. Regular academic routines are balanced by programs which strengthen voices of prayer and expressions of love, showing how every act of Tzedakah and friendship offsets darkness. Our heritage is a wellspring for healthy living, blessing, optimism, and positivity.

This re-enrollment packet for the 2024 – 25 Academic Year will guide you forward, provide you with up-to-date information, and demonstrate that the San Diego Hebrew Day community welcomes diverse families. The range of viewpoints, financial wherewithal, personal background and languages spoken reflects the Jewish people at large. Within this caring, #feelslikehome setting, great Jewish lives take shape.

Please do not hesitate to reach out for assistance in completing registration in a timely manner. For Preschool, contact Naomi Shakhman; for elementary and middle school, speak with Anthony Ortiz. Each member of the Admin Team is here to help you.



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Enrollment Process 2024 - 25

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Enrollment Timeline

February 5, 2024	Deadline to submit Application for Admission and complete Application Requirements
March 4, 2024	Deadline to apply for Tuition Assistance
Feb.-March 2024	Admissions Team reviews submitted Applications for Admission
April 2024	Acceptance letters and contracts mailed to families who did not apply for Tuition Assistance or the Preschool Jewish Continuity Scholarship* *Signed contract and first tuition payment due within two weeks of receiving contract
April - May 2024	Acceptance letters and contracts, with award amount listed, mailed to families who applied for Tuition Assistance or the Preschool Jewish Continuity Scholarship* *Signed contract and first tuition payment due within two weeks of receiving contract

Requirements

In order for a new student to be considered for enrollment, the following must be completed:

All Applicants- Preschool, Elementary and Middle School

- Submit completed Application for Admission form to SDHD
- Submit non-refundable tuition deposit of \$500 per child
- Submit a copy of applying student's up-to-date immunization record

PS 3 - 8th grade Applicants

- Submit a completed Authorization for Exchange of Information form to SDHD

Located at www.hebrewday.org- under Admissions, Admission Process, Admissions Forms

- Submit all required Recommendation Forms

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2nd - 8th grade Applicants

- Submit current school's records, including report cards, academic and/or behavioral evaluations, etc
- Schedule 2 consecutive Shadow Days for the applying student to visit with their current grade at SDHD for the full school day. The student will participate in an academic assessment during this visit.

Contact Estelle Workman to set this up—eworkman@ssdhds.org)

Kindergarten & 1st Grade Applicants

- Schedule an appointment for applying student to participate in a readiness assessment at SDHD

Contact Estelle Workman to set this up- eworkman@ssdhds.org.

Preschool Applicants who are 3-4 years old

Contact Naomi Shakhman to set this up- nshakhman@ssdhds.org

All New Applicant Parents- Preschool, Elementary and Middle School

- Meet with SDHD Head of School, Rabbi Simcha Weiser

Contact Estelle Workman to set this up—eworkman@ssdhds.org

Admissions Policies

Each child is individually evaluated through assessments done at our school as well as from confidential recommendations and transcripts from the previous school. The key determining factors for admission are:

- Age - the child must be of age on or before September 1st
(ie: Kindergartners must be age 5 by September 1, 2024)
- The child's social, emotional, cognitive and developmental skills
- The child's academic abilities

Space is very limited in both our preschool and day school. Priority is given to:

- Siblings of current SDHD students
- Children and siblings of SDHD alumni
- Applications submitted by February 5, 2024



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Tuition and Fees 2024 - 25

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Tuition Deposit

Prior to February 5th, 2024 a **non-refundable** tuition deposit of \$500 per student is due with the admission application(s). Receipt of this deposit will secure your child(ren)'s spot and will apply to your tuition bill. After February 5th, 2024 the required deposit increases to \$700.

	Base Tuition	School Development Fund *	Total Tuition
Preschool, 5 full days	\$18,000	\$500	\$18,500
Preschool, 5 half/3 full days	\$13,000	\$500	\$13,500
Preschool, 3 half days	\$11,000	\$500	\$11,500
K-5 Grades	\$18,000	\$4,000	\$22,000
6-8 Grade	\$18,000	\$5,000	\$23,000

***School Development Fund Donation**

A per-student contribution to Hebrew Day's School Development Fund will ensure fiscal stability and facility enhancement while continuing to provide quality education to families in need of financial assistance. This tax-deductible per-student contribution will continue to strengthen our educational offering while affording Hebrew Day the ability to competitively reduce the average tuition.

Security

Security fee per family: \$1,000

Give and Get volunteer program for families receiving tuition assistance

Volunteer deposit—\$500 per Family. This check, dated 5/1/25 will only be deposited if a family has not completed at least 40 hours of volunteer service. Parent involvement is a key element for our success. The school will offer many opportunities for parents to volunteer throughout the school year

Working Family Flexibility (optional)

For working families and those who need drop off/pick up flexibility, Hebrew Day will continue to offer its before-care (only for K - 8 grades) & after-care program.

Before-care:	7:30AM-8:00AM (K - 8 only)
After-care:	3:30PM-5:30PM M-Th / 2:00PM-4:00PM Fri
Fee:	\$3,500 per student per year/ \$18 per day

Discounts

Continuing the theme to address affordability, the following generous discounts are available:

Sibling: Families enrolling 2 or more students will receive a 5% discount on Base Tuition
This discount may be combined with the following discount(s): Pre-Paid

Pre-Paid: Families paying their full Tuition bill prior to the following dates will receive a discount on their Base Tuition as follows: prior to February 15, 2024: 7% discount; prior to April 15, 2024: 6% discount; prior to Jun 15, 2024: 5% discount; prior to Aug 15, 2024: 4% discount
This discount may be combined with the following discount(s): Sibling, Employee, New Family

Employee or Jewish Community Employee: Hebrew Day employees or families with one or both parents employed full time in a Jewish community non-profit institution will receive a 20% discount on Base Tuition
This discount may be combined with the following discount(s): Pre-Paid

New Family: Families who are new to the Hebrew Day community will receive a \$2,500 discount on Base Tuition for their first year and \$1,000 for their second year.
This discount may be combined with the following discount(s): Pre-Paid



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Tuition Payment Options for 2024 - 25

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Tuition will be billed in March 2024 for the full 2024-25 school year. First tuition payment is due, with the signed contract, within two weeks of the family receiving their contract. Remaining payment in full, or monthly payments, will begin in June 2024.

Tuition Payment Options

Families may choose to pay tuition in one of three ways:

- **In Full:**
See previous page for paid-in full discounts.
- **Monthly Payments Through FACTS:**
Tuition can be paid monthly, beginning in June 2024, in either 10, 11 or 12 monthly payments, debited from a specified checking or savings accounts through the FACTS Tuition Payment Plan. FACTS charges a \$50 per year, per family, charge for using their service. Families who choose to pay tuition through FACTS must also provide SDHD with a current credit card number.
- **Monthly Payments with a Credit Card:**
Tuition can be paid monthly, beginning in June 2024, in either 10, 11 or 12 monthly payments, charged from a specified credit card that the family provides to the SDHD Business office. All payments made by credit card will incur an additional 4% convenience fee.

Tuition Policies

Enrollment for the school year may be cancelled by submitting a written cancellation notice prior to June 1, 2023. The initial tuition deposit of \$500, submitted with the Application for Admission, is non-refundable. However, the first tuition payment, made with the return of the signed contract, is refundable, if a written cancellation notice is submitted to SDHD by June 1, 2024. **If enrollment is canceled after June 1, 2024, the family is obligated to pay the 2024-25 tuition in full.**

Each student's enrollment at SDHD is contingent upon prompt payment of tuition. If tuition payments are delinquent, the student may be removed from classes and/or dismissed from the school.

If you have any questions about tuition payments, please contact our Business Manager, Klara Lapp, at 858-279-3300, ext. 105 or klapp@ssdhds.org.



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Tuition Assistance Information

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Hebrew Day remains committed to maintaining a diverse and inclusive parent body. We welcome families of varying Jewish affiliation, family background, and financial standing. To remain accessible, and to streamline the process to determine a family's financial obligation, Need Based Tuition Assistance (in lieu of the Tuition and Fee Discounts) is allocated to qualifying families according to the guidelines explained below.

There are three tiers to this process:

- (1) Based on self-reported Adjusted Gross Income (AGI), the requested contribution level to School Development and Scholarship Fund may be reduced or eliminated.
- (2) Further tuition relief may be offered as needed through the Tuition Reduction Program. A reduced rate of tuition, up to 40% . The streamlined process requires a request for reduction, and submission of: Form 1040 for the current and prior year (2 pages); and W2 or most recent 4 pay stubs.
- (3) Assistance beyond the Tuition Reduction Program is available in the form of Tuition Assistance. Limited grants of assistance will be determined once a more complete file of information is submitted and reviewed by the Tuition Committee.

The deadline to apply for tuition assistance is March 4, 2024. Please be aware that this is a FIRM deadline; **no tuition assistance applications will be accepted for returning families after March 4, 2024.**