



## FAQ'S

*When are you opening this fall?*

Our first day of school will be September 2. We are accepting up to 10 two-year-olds and up to 12 each in classes for three- and four-year-olds.

*What will drop-off look like?*

Families complete a health questionnaire each morning on the Remini app, then they will park in the parking lot and walk their children to the school entrance. Since visitors are not permitted in the school, students will be met at the door by a director to have their temperature taken with an infrared thermometer. They will then enter school to be met by their class teacher.

*Will the COVID-19 protocols continue next year?*

We will follow all state guidelines for the health and safety of our preschool community. As of now, all students and staff will be fully masked and health screenings will continue. We will maintain our cleaning protocols as well as being outdoors as much as possible.

*Will children be required to wear masks all day?*

The New Jersey Department of Children and Families encourages mask wearing for everyone age 2 and up, and all adults will be wearing masks all day. They also recognize that expecting preschool children to wear masks is not developmentally or age appropriate. Fun printed disposable child-size masks are available at the school.

*How will you stop children from sharing things?*

Within each class, sharing is actually acceptable. Nonetheless, we will provide each child with their own box of supplies (crayons, markers, and so on) to use each day. Toys will be limited so they can be disinfected each day after school and rotated in use.

*How will you keep the classes/pods separate?*

We are fortunate to have 8 classrooms for our use. With 4 classes this year, there is room to spread out. We also have 2 playgrounds and a large grassy area, so the classes can rotate days on each. We also have the use of the multipurpose room and the social hall in the synagogue during the school day, allowing plenty of distanced space for indoor activities.

*We have never seen the school or the building – how can we get our child ready for school?*

We will be happy to take you on a tour when school/camp is not in session. Please contact the director to arrange a time. There are also short videos on the website serving as a virtual tour.

*How can families be part of the school when they are not permitted inside?*

We have 3 large SMARTBoards that function as giant monitors. Families are invited to join via Zoom for Friday morning Shabbat celebrations and to celebrate birthdays and other special occasions. The technology allows grandparents and others who live far away to join too!

*How will lunch and snack work?*

All children will bring their own lunch food in their own containers from home each day. Teachers will assist as needed, being sure to wear gloves. There will be no sharing of food. Snacks are provided by the preschool and served by teachers.

*What if someone tests positive for COVID-19?*

We are required to follow the NJ DCF procedures as explained in [this document](#). We are relying on all of our families to help keep one another safe by honest, accurate reporting of their own health.