



מחנה TBA
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Learning, Loving, Living Judaism

**TBA
HIGH**

Dear 9th Grade Families:

As part of our Machane TBAHigh program, we are excited to be preparing for the 9th Grade Retreat in February. This weekend program is focused on issues of love, sexuality and relationships in a Jewish context and is specifically designed for our 9th graders to learn and grow in a safe environment.

**The retreat will take place February 7-9, 2020 at the Temple.
Registration is open.**

We have the pleasure of working with Dr. Charles Miron and Amy Miron, M.S., who will lead the retreat. This nationally recognized team has developed a wonderful program for teens to promote positive attitudes and clarify values in order to make responsible decisions. In addition to the Mirones, TBA clergy, Lori Fein, Kim Roberts and 9th grade advisors, Ben Pagliaro and Sarah Lader will be in attendance.

Our hope is that during this weekend our participants will grow as individuals and will have a stronger connection to one another and to the Temple Beth Ami community.

The Mirones will lead a parent orientation meeting on Tuesday, December 10th from 6:30-8:00 pm in the Chapel. Please be sure to attend this very important session.

Please also plan to participate in a concluding session on Sunday, February 9 from approximately 9:30-11:00 am, to hear important information from the Mirones about the retreat.

The cost of the weekend retreat is \$285 for TBAHigh teens and \$485 for teens not registered in TBAHigh. This includes the expertise of the nationally recognized facilitators, meals and staffing. Machane TBA subsidizes significantly for this retreat.

We would never want finances to be the reason a teen does not participate in an event like this. If you are interested in a need-based scholarship, from the TBA Youth Fund, and you are a Temple member, please contact Kim Roberts at ker@bethami.org. All scholarship information must be completed and returned by January 20, 2020 for review.

All the best,
Lori Fein
TBAHigh Supervisor, Grades 8-12

Kim Roberts
Director of Education

Details for the Retreat Weekend

If parents need to contact us during the retreat and your student isn't available,
please call Lori Fein's cell phone 240-447-9912

We do not answer Temple or Machane phones during the retreat.

Sleeping Arrangements:

Male and female students will be sleeping in separate rooms. At least one staff person will be in each room.

Meals:

Meals will be ordered and brought into the building. We will provide choices for the teens to select from as the retreat date nears.

Packing List

Items to bring:

Casual, comfortable clothing for Friday, Saturday and Sunday

Students should dress in layers since the temperature fluctuates in the Temple

Pajamas

Toiletries

Medication

Homework

Linens/Bedding:

Face Towel

Sleeping bag

Air mattress/Mat for sleeping bag

Sheets

Pillow

Blanket

Personal Electronics:

Cell phones and other electronic devices may be brought but will not be permitted during program times – which is most of the weekend.

We ask students to refrain from taking photos during the program to protect the privacy of participants.