

Derech HaTorah of Rochester

The Path of Respect and Excellence

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Calendar

- Wed., Aug. 31st: Teacher Work Day (9:00am-3:00pm)
- Thur., Sept. 1st: Teacher Work Day (9:00am-3:00 pm)
- Fri., Sept. 2nd: Teacher Work Day (9:00am-1:00pm)
- Fri., Sept 2nd: Open House & Ice Cream Social 12:30pm -1:00pm (for K-8)
- Tues., Sept 6th: First Day of School!
- Mon., Sept 12th: Meet the Teacher Night
- Mon.-Tues., Sept 26th-27th: Rosh Hashana Break: No School
- Wed., Sept. 28th: Tzom Gedalia: 1:00pm Dismissal

Look what's been happening this summer!







Big Reminders

Please take a moment to review these important DHR reminders to ensure a successful start to the new school year.

- ~ Supply Lists School supply lists are available on our website, (www.derechhatorah.org) - under the downloads tab.
- ~ **Summer Homework** Recommended summer homework is available on our website (www.derechhatorah.org) - under the downloads tab. Please remind students that they will earn DHR dollars that can be used at our fabulous new and improved back-to -school DHR summer homework store!
- ~ Student Fees Please send the completed, mandatory Student Fee form, along with payment, to the DHR office by August 15th. Thank you!
- ~ Immunizations/Physical Exams NYSED requires an annual physical exam for new entrants and students entering grades K, 1, 3, 5 and 7. Please have your doctor fax over the completed forms as soon as possible to DHR at (585) 486-1089 or email to secretary@derechhatorah.org. Additionally, we need immunization forms for all students before they can start school! Per state law, there are no religious exemptions.
- ~ District Registration & Busing Please make sure that your children are fully registered with their school district and that you have submitted all required transportation/busing documentation. This information was due to the districts on April 1st.
- ~ Tuition Contracts Tuition contracts were mailed out last week. Please sign and return yours with post dated checked to the DHR office by August 15th, 2022. Unfortunately, we will not permit students to start school without signed contracts, post-dated checks and student fees submitted to the office.
- ~ The DHR Uniform Gemach has moved to DHR! If you would like to "shop", please call the office to schedule a time to do so!
- ~ As you clean and organize your homes over the summer, please be on the lookout for overdue DHR library books and any textbooks that belong to the school.

From the Principal

Dr. Lea E. Goldstein

Dear DHR Parents and Students.

What a busy summer! The floors have been stripped and waxed, the carpets professionally cleaned, the Farash Computer-Technology Lab has been moved to its new home (room #205), and the new 4th through 8th grade girls' wing is almost ready! We also have a wonderful new janitor who has been deep-cleaning the school – and it looks great!

Most importantly, we have been busy hiring a few new faculty members – and we can't wait to introduce them to you (see blurbs below)!! We've also been ordering books and sefarim, creating schedules and working hard to get everything ready for another fabulous year!

KIDS: With a month left until the start of school, we are hoping that you are getting a chance to relax and recharge. Please make sure to set aside time to do your summer packets – the review is so important – and the DHR Summer Packet Store (during the first week of school) will be stocked with loads of great stuff! Just do your summer packets, hand them in on the first day of school and you'll get DHR dollars to spend at the store!

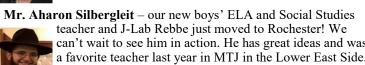
PARENTS: Please make sure to sign and return your tuition contracts with post-dated checks before the school year starts. Additionally, student fee forms, school supply lists and health and immunization forms are available on our website. Thank you!

Welcome to new faculty members!

Ms. Elana Pochodylo – our new first grade teacher is so excited to meet her little students! Certified in Early Childhood, Ms. Pochodylo is finishing her Masters this summer. A native Rochesterian, she has taught nursery through second grade and she loves teaching, children and

music!

Mrs. Melissa Mang – our new Science teacher has 15 years of experience designing curricula and teaching middle school classes. Mrs. Mang is an organized, collaborative, fun teacher with in-depth knowledge and experience in pedagogical approaches for children and young adolescents across all content areas.



can't wait to see him in action. He has great ideas and was a favorite teacher last year in MTJ in the Lower East Side.

Mr. Lamod Jefferson – our new middle school boys' Physical Education teacher was a P.E. teacher and Campus Supervisor at a local Charter School for the last three years. He has worked as a counselor and coordinator at Lifetime Assistance and he's an athlete and team player. His motto is "Team Work makes the Dream Work".

Mazel Tov to ...

- ... Rabbi & Mrs. Shlomo Burger on the birth of their daughter Leah!
- ... Rabbi & Mrs. Dovid Caro on the birth of their granddaughter Adina Aidel!



