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**INTENTION**

A monthly glimpse into the tents of Educational Institute Oholei Torah



"Oholei Torah" is akin to the term "dwelling in tents," referring to the "tent of Shem and the tent of Ever."

Sichas Shabbos Kodesh Bamidbar 5742

"אהלי תורה" איז ע"ד הלשון "יושב אהלים",  
 וואס דאס גייט דאך אויף "אהלו של שם ואהלו  
 של עבר."

שיחת ש"ק במדבר תשמ"ב



## DEPARTMENTS

### BEIS MEDRASH

Shiur 5 | Shiurim 3-4 | Shiurim 1-2

### MESIVTA

### ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Grade 8 | Grades 5-7

Grades 3-4 | Grades Pre1A-2

Library

### KINDERGARTEN

Crown Heights | East Flatbush

### ADMINISTRATION OFFICES

Development Office | Financial Office

Registration Office

### YOUNG JEWISH LEADERS

### YESHIVAS KAYITZ PROGRAM

### OHOLEI MENACHEM DAY CAMP

### REB MICHOEL'S MINYAN

### MANAGEMENT

Transportation | Building Management

Operations | Kitchen | Maintenance

### PTA

### BALLROOM

### RECREATION CENTER

## Featured

### Grades 5, 6, 7

343 Talmidim

25 Staff, Plus Support Staff

### Registration Office

5 Full-time Staff

1,850 Annual Applicants

### Yeshivas Kayitz Program

Established 2014 | New Facilities



## Elementary School

### Grades 5, 6, 7

Each department of Oholei Torah is focused on fulfilling its mission. The Chinuch, curricula and programs of Grades 5-7 are geared to maximize each Talmid's current and future growth. The following is a taste of how.

### Chidon Pirkei Avos

The Mishnyaos of Pirkei Avos are studied weekly. The curriculum focuses on *pshat*, as well as on *maimorei chazal*.

Grade 5 studies ten Mishnayos. Grade 6, fifteen, and Grade 7 studies twenty Mishnayos.

In addition to learning it in the Sefer, there is also a system of studying the Mishnayos Baal Peh.

A test is administered weekly. Every 80% and above average qualifies for the *mivchan kloli* on the entire Pirkei Avos. Every Talmid that scores 80% or above receives a prize.

The top two from each class of the grade represents their class

in the Chidon. The Chidon is not a game show, but a bee-like competition on *pshat* and *baal peh*, narrowing down contestants until there is a winner.

### Gemara Millim

"Millim" means "words." Hashem creates the world with words. Words are how we follow our Creator in creating and building a life infused with Toras Chaim, Living Torah.

Grade 6 recently completed the Millim program. The program makes the 300 most common words, plus 56 common keywords and 23 *roshei teivos* of the Gemara come alive.

These 300 are really thousands, as they are used time and again through Shas. Mastering these keys helps the boys swim in the infinite sea of Talmud.

Just ask them!

### Gemara Resource

Rabbi Polter heads the Gemara Resource Room. 40-minute shifts of up-to five Talmidim run throughout the day.

Rabbi Lustig, the department principle, makes it available systematically to students who could benefit from such a tailored and intuitive Gemara environment.

Results are almost instantaneous. A little individual focus goes a very long way.

A Talmid, with developed Gemara skills, have higher self-esteem and function without anxiety; they have better class-participation and their reading-comprehension skillset is markedly increased.

As the conclusion of every school year approaches, Rabbi Lustig surveys each and every single Talmid's summer plans.

If any Talmid would like some help or encouragement applying to camps or other programs, he is there to help. Assistance is forthcoming no matter what the reason for frustration or confusion may be.

The data over the past few years shows a real positive increase in summer-plan success.



אמר לו אדם אחד יש שעתיד להיות  
בסוף כמה דורות ועקיבא בן יוסף  
שמו שעתיד לדרוש על כל קוץ וקוץ  
תילין תילין של הלכות

אמר רב יהודה אמר רב בשעה  
שעלה משה למרום מצאו להקב"ה  
שיושב וקושר כתרים לאותיות אמר  
לפניו רבש"ע מי מעכב על ידך

## Registration Office

זה השער לה' צדיקים יבאו בו

Chinuch is the life and sustenance of our children, our families, our communities, and our Yiddishkeit. Many individuals, offices, departments, and systems support the Oholei Torah universe, ensuring that every aspect of our Chinuch runs smoothly and seamlessly.

The Registration Office is the portal into Yeshiva, welcoming families with warmth and comfort. The Registration Office is staffed by a full team of dedicated men and women who, year-round, are committed to easing the entry process preceding each academic school year.

With a mandate to please, registration builds relationships with parents, aspiring to make entry into school as convenient as possible.

Over the past few years, the powerful tools of technology have been implemented to optimize the registration process. From instant communications via WhatsApp, text, or email to the online portal, registration today is a breeze. What used to take hours, now takes minutes.

Additionally, by building a bigger team and emphasizing early registration the pressures accompanied by the rush of a new school have been mitigated.

Following the Chassidische formula of *neros leha'ir*, being candles that light other candles, who in turn will light the world, our registration team helps other moisdos streamline their registrations processes by sharing best-practices, technology, and resources.



## Yeshivas Kayitz Program

Yeshivas Kayitz was established in 2014, when a facility in Tannersville, NY was rented and 38 8th grade Bochrin joined that first year.

As the local and global Chabad community was Baruch Hashem growing by leaps and bounds, the Hanhala and Melamdin of the 8th grade took the initiative and opened the Yeshivas Kayitz camp.

The following year, 2015, Oholei Torah purchased a property and opened camp to host the Mesivta Bochrin as well.

Following the dictum of *malin bakodash*, year over year saw growth and improvement in both the *gashmiusdike* physical facilities and the *rushniusdike* learning and programming.

The summer of 2019 at YKK blossomed to over 180 Bochrin plus staff.

When the COVID-19 pandemic hit, the camp administration knew that the coming summer would be anything but routine. As summer approached, it became clear that New York State would prohibit camp from running at capacities needed. Moreover, every summer camp in NYS faced similar restrictions.

The Oholei Torah Board and Yeshivas Kayitz leadership pivoted quickly. A property in Oxford, Pennsylvania was found, and Yeshivas Kayitz opened to host 1000 campers of all ages.

Our original grounds in Kingston, NY became too small to host the Bochrin of our Yeshiva. The Yeshiva is purchasing a brand-new state of the art campsite in Northern Pennsylvania to supply the demand, already processing over 315 applications.

A new division for Zal Bochrin has been introduced this year. Based on the fusion of studiousness and tranquility, the Bochrin will learn in a tranquil environment, conducive to focus and no distraction. 40 Bochrin are enrolled in this innovative program.

These impressive grounds are filled with everything a Bochrin needs to grow in his summer *beruchnius*, as well as *begashmius*, including sports fields, large dining rooms, and different style sleeping cabins for different ages, space for Hanhala from yeshiva to come and learn with the Bochrin. B'ezras Hashem, with we will be able to host our Bochrin in 8th grade through Zal for years to come.



# הואילק שהמשה שמדוע וזוא



