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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 שיק במדבר תשמ"ב



Featured

Yeshivas Kayitz Program

New Beis Medrash Summer Program

Beis Medrash

400+ Bochorim

Additional Staff, Classrooms, Dorms

8th Grade

New Building On Troy

Elevated Environment



DEPARTMENTS

BEIS MEDRASH

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

MESIVTA

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Grade 8—Mechina | Grades 5-7

Grades 3-4 | Grades Pre1A-2

Library

KINDERGARTEN

Crown Heights | East Flatbush

ADMINISTRATION OFFICES

Development Office | Financial Office

Registration Office | Education 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

THINKING ברייטער

Growing, expanding, and building are synonymous with Oholei Torah. And they certainly capture this year's theme. In almost every letter to Oholei Torah, the Rebbe encourages and *bentches* the educational institute to grow and expand beyond its horizons, with *breitkeit* and *harchava*. As you will see in this issue of INTENTION, 5781 concluded with an expansive summer and 5782 is set to be Oholei Torah's broadest year yet.

5781 closed with a Yeshivas Kayitz Program that elevated and innovated for the Bochorim of Beis Medrash. In years past, YKP focused on programming for 8th grade and Mesivta Bochorim. This year, a brand new program was instituted for Beis Medrash.

Under the leadership of **Rabbi Fishel Oster**, together with **Rabbi Lipman Heller**, **Rabbi Shmulik Shur**, and **Rabbi Shmully Klyne**, over 40 Zal Bochorim joined the inaugural Beis Medrash Summer Program.

Located in the northern Poconos on the brand-new, state-of-the-art Oholei Torah Yeshivas Kayitz Program campus, the Bochorim learned and *horeve* in a beautiful air-conditioned Zal, slept in a spacious dormitory, enjoyed the beautiful grounds, and utilized the incredible on-site facilities.

The program was facilitated and staffed by Hanhala from Oholei Torah Zal. The learning *l'iyunah* and *l'girs*a was complimented by a beautiful library boasting an impressive array of Seforim for Bochorim to delve into all aspects of the Pardes of Torah, including unique subjects that would not necessarily be part of the regular in-year Yeshiva Seder curricula.

The classic learning Sedorim were bolstered by a wide range of programming, including Farbrengens with guest Mashpi'im, nightly Seder Sichos, videos of the Rebbe, and learning with the 8th grade and Mesivta staff.

One radiant highlight was the Ach Gadol mentoring program. Zal Bochorim would study with 8th grade Bochorim a few nights a week, resulting in a true *zeh neheneh v'zeh neheneh*

experience—the Zal Bochorim honed their teaching and mentoring skills, while the 8th grade Bochorim discovered a taste of Zal learning.

Tens of Chavrusahs learning in the bucolic country through all hours of the day and night was *mamosh* a beautiful site to behold. Staff and Bochorim from every YKP division walked by to see the Bochorim learning inside or outside of the Zal.



From 6 am in the morning through 2:30 am at night, someone was sitting and learning. The aura it created throughout camp was magical and palpable.

The highly successful inaugural Beis Medrash program expanded all aspects of YKP. It provided a Makom Torah for Bochorim and staff of every division to come and learn, inspiring and elevating the campgrounds to heavenly heights.

EXPANDING העכער

Oholei Torah Beis Medrash Undergoes Major Expansion

To accommodate the increased demand and growing global Chabad community

Hundreds of Bochorim from across the world apply to Oholei Torah Zal every year. Because limitations are just a means to greater and *breiter* expansiveness, the Board of Directors—together with **Rabbi Yossi Langsam**, Executive Director, and **Rabbi Mendel Blau**, Menahel Kholi—initiated a massive expansion of the Raitport Beis Medrash. For the academic year of 5782, Oholei Torah Bais Medrash expanded to host a projected 400+ Bochorim from more than 22 countries and 30 states.

To make this expansion possible, many Zal offices and facilities were relocated over the summer months, creating an additional 3000 square feet for the Bais Medrash.

Rabbi **Elchonon Lesches**, Bais Medrash Dean, described it as a moment of pride for alumni and members of the Oholei Torah family. Oholei Torah rises to the occasion, going above and beyond to accept the Bochorim wishing to learn and grow in the special atmosphere that is found only in Oholei Torah.

To empower the growth, fuel the expansion, and provide each Bochor with maximum attention, numerous Mashpi'im and Maggidei Shiurim joined the faculty, including: **Rabbi Shmuckler**—Meishiv, **Rabbi Blasenstein**—Meishiv and Maggid Shiur, **Rabbi Vigler**—Meishiv and Bochen, **Rabbi Shaw**—Mashgiach, **Rabbi Spiero**—Mashgiach, **Rabbi Greenbaum**—Mashpia.

With 8th grade in its own facility on Troy Avenue (see following page), the Zal study hall, classrooms and dormitory have almost doubled in size.

This is one of many expansion projects underway, driven to fulfill the Rebbe's vision of a perpetually expanding and growing Oholei Torah, brimming with multitudes of Talmidim.



8th Grade Mechina Moves From 667 Eastern Parkway To 417 Troy Avenue

Making a unique and inviting space to optimize the transformational academic year of Mechina

In our constantly expanding efforts to live up to the Rebbe's *brochos* of an Oholei Torah saturated with *breitkeit*, Oholei Torah Mechina moved from the 667 Eastern Parkway Campus to 417 Troy Avenue.

When Oholei Torah Mesivta moved from Troy Avenue to a new building on Remson Avenue (to be featured and highlighted in the coming weeks and months), the timeless Troy Avenue building became the perfect fit for Oholei Torah's growing Mechina.

Under the leadership of Rabbi Chaim Yisroel Wilhelm, Mechina has blossomed into a force of Torah learning and Middos, building a preparatory transition from elementary to Mesivta and Zal.

Mechina needed a space all its own to call home. With Mesivta's move to Remson, Mechina was in luck. Over the summer, 417 Troy underwent heavy renovations and significant upgrades, making it more comfortable and suitable for the Talmidim.

Mechina now enjoys its own airy Zal, spacious classrooms, expansive lunchroom, and empowering spaces conducive to helping the students focus on excelling in their learning.

The transition from youth to teenager to adult is an opportune time to optimize priorities and shape life's winding path. The right space, physically and spiritually, can inspire and advance the transformational process of a young boy as he becomes a Bochur and a true Chossid.





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