



Children's High Holiday Services at NSS Beth El 2021/5782

North Suburban Synagogue Beth El is proud to present a full complement of dynamic offerings for a celebration of the high holidays that meets children and families where they are and respects individual choices about health and safety as we have reached this point in the COVID-19 pandemic. We offer a full complement of programming at our synagogue location – at North Suburban Synagogue Beth El (NSSBE) at 1175 Sheridan Road, and some additional limited children's programming at Highland Park High School (HPS) at 433 Vine Avenue in Highland Park. We offer this document to read through all of our options and hope you feel free to contact us to determine what makes sense for your family.

This year, Rosh HaShanah begins on the evening of **Monday September 6**, and our children's programming is on **Tuesday, September 7** at both the NSSBE and HPS locations and **Wednesday, September 8** at the NSS Beth El location only. Yom Kippur begins on the evening of **Wednesday September 15**, and our children's programming is on **Thursday, September 16** at both locations in the morning, but at the NSSBE location only in the afternoon.

We are planning to send asynchronous digital services through Shirat HaRuach, a program of PJ Library and Jewish Kids Rock Radio, appropriate for children ages 0-8 with a special music and movement section for ages 0-3 out through email for families to watch and enjoy. Additionally, we are working on the capability to stream our outdoor family services for those who do not feel comfortable to attend.

On Tuesday September 7, 1st Day Rosh HaShanah, we offer:

- Outdoor Preschool Family Services (babies through 7-year-olds and their families) 9:15-10:00 am, NSSBE Backyard (this is not drop-off, exact attendance numbers required, space limited)
- Outdoor Junior Congregation Family Service (2-6th graders and their families) 10:15 am-12:15pm, NSSBE Backyard (this is not imagined as drop-off but please let us know if that's what you need)
- Indoor Drop-Off Children's Programming (age 6 months through 7th grade) 10:15 am-12:15 pm at both NSSBE and HPS locations

On Wednesday September 8, 2nd Day Rosh HaShanah, we offer:

- Outdoor Preschool Family Services (babies through 7-year-olds and their families) 9:15-10:00 am, *NSSBE Backyard* (this is not drop-off, exact attendance numbers required, space limited)
- Outdoor Junior Congregation Family Service (2-6th graders and their families) 10:15 am-12:15 pm, *NSSBE Backyard* (this is not imagined as drop-off but please let us know if that's what you need, exact attendance numbers required, space limited)
- Indoor Drop-Off Children's Programming (age 6 months through 7th grade) 10:15 am-12:15 pm at *only the NSSBE location*

On Thursday September 16, Yom Kippur day, we offer:

- Outdoor Preschool Family Services (babies through 7-year-olds and their families) 9:45-10:30 am, NSSBE Backyard (this is not drop-off, exact attendance numbers required, space limited)
- Outdoor Junior Congregation Family Service (2-6th graders and their families) 10:45am -12:45 pm, NSSBE Backyard (this is not imagined as drop-off but please let us know if that's what you need, exact attendance numbers required, space limited)
- Indoor Drop-Off Children's Programming (age 6 months through 7th grade) 10:45am -12:45 pm at both NSSBE and HPHS locations
- Outdoor Young Family Neilah service, best for preschool through 7th grade, 6:00-7:30 pm, NSSBE backyard (this is not a drop-off, exact attendance numbers required, space limited)

Teen Leader Program- helping to staff and lead our indoor drop-off children's programming, for 8-12th **graders, in the mornings at both NSSBE and HPHS locations.** Teen Leaders will be accepted for any days they are able to staff.

*Families attending services at Highland Park High School may also register for services at the NSSBE location on the 2nd day of Rosh HaShanah and for our Yom Kippur Outdoor Young Family Neilah Service. Space for all family services is limited and we require pre-registration.

There are rooms at both locations that can be used for families to attend to their children's needs. Rooms at the HPHS location are the Babysitting and Activity Rooms and at the NSS Beth El location there is a room in the school wing as well as our Anderson Infant Room in the south wing of the synagogue by the sanctuary.

Snack policy: We will not be providing snacks during our programming, however, we will provide kosher snacks to all children who want them in snack bags as they leave our programming to make the whole holiday experience a positive one for your family. Please make sure to fill out the appropriate section about food allergies on the online registration form.

Registration this year is run through our ShulCloud database. There are sections for inputting your children's information while you register for adult tickets. If you have questions as you fill out your registration for Children's High Holiday Services, please do not hesitate to contact us. We can't wait to celebrate the fall holidays with you! *Shanah Tovah!*

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Our registration is online only
[High Holiday Registration Form](#)

If you have questions or would like a separate link emailed to you, please contact Ana Igornov at aigornov@nssbethel.org or call 847-432-8900 x221.

Please complete the online registration for Children's High Holiday Services by **August 2, 2021. Due to a limit in our capacity this year, we cannot guarantee spots for registrations received after that date.**