



Congregation Ahavath Chesed Religious School



Position: Religious School Teacher- seeking multiple grade levels to teach Jewish Studies and/or Hebrew

Direct Report: Director of Lifelong Engagement

Job Summary

Congregation Ahavath Chesed is seeking passionate, creative, and dedicated Religious School teachers to inspire students through meaningful Jewish learning. We are looking for educators who are committed to Reform Jewish values and who create engaging, inclusive classrooms where students feel welcomed, respected, and empowered to develop strong Jewish identities.

Essential Responsibilities

Judaic and/or Hebrew Instruction

- Teach engaging, age-appropriate Judaic Studies and/or Hebrew lessons using the provided curriculum and curriculum maps.
- Prepare and submit weekly lesson plans to the Religious School Coordinator.
- Differentiate instruction to support students with diverse learning styles and abilities.
- Incorporate experiential learning, discussion, music, games, technology, and hands-on activities to enrich student engagement.

Create a Safe and Inclusive Classroom

- Foster a positive classroom environment rooted in Jewish values.
- Encourage students to ask questions, explore Jewish traditions and beliefs, and build confidence in their Jewish identities.

Classroom Management

- Maintain a well-organized classroom that promotes learning and respectful behavior.
- Address behavioral concerns in collaboration with the Director of Lifelong Engagement.
- Uphold the Religious School's B'rit (social contract) and school policies.

Communication and Collaboration

- Partner with families, clergy, administrators, and fellow teachers to support student learning and well-being.
- Communicate with parent class representatives and families, as appropriate, regarding classroom activities, student progress, or concerns.

Administrative Responsibilities

- Record attendance each class session using ShulCloud.
- Accurately record work hours using Paycor.
- Attend faculty orientation and professional development workshops.
- Participate in Religious School programs, holiday celebrations, family learning opportunities, and other synagogue events as requested.

Qualifications

- High school diploma or equivalent required; college coursework or degree in education, Jewish Studies, or a related field a plus.
- Knowledge of Jewish traditions and an understanding of Reform Jewish values and practices.
- Hebrew proficiency appropriate to the teaching assignment preferred.
- Previous teaching experience required; experience in Jewish education, camps, youth programs, or informal education is highly desirable.
- Strong classroom management and organizational skills.
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills with children, families, and colleagues.
- Basic proficiency with Google Workspace and educational technology.
- Reliable transportation, punctuality, and consistent attendance.
- Applicants subject to a background check

Schedule

- Sundays, 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
- Employment dates: August 9, 2026 – May 7, 2027
- Religious School observes the synagogue calendar, including Jewish and national holidays.

Compensation & Support

- \$34 per hour, including paid planning time.
- Curriculum, teaching materials, mentoring, and professional development are provided.
- Safety and security training provided.
- CPR/First Aid Certification provided.

To Apply

Please submit a letter of interest and résumé to:

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Religious School Coordinator

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