

# Membership Commitment Levels

## 2025-2026

We welcome members at all levels of giving. Each tier includes meaningful benefits designed to show our appreciation and connect you more deeply to the community.

### בונים – *Bonim* – Builders: \$10,000 or more

Includes all benefits of *Shomrim*, plus:

- Event sponsorship and two complimentary tickets to the event (e.g., "This film is generously sponsored by the Moshe Family")
- Reserved seating for the High Holidays

### שומרים – *Shomrim* – Guardians: \$8,000-9,999

Includes all benefits of *Shutafim*, plus:

- Two additional adult High Holiday tickets (total of 4)
- Invitation to a special annual Donor Thank-You Event (e.g., honoring top supporters)

### שותפים – *Shutafim* – Partners: \$6,000-\$7,999

Includes all benefits of *Chalutzim*, plus:

- One reserved parking spots during the High Holidays
- Complimentary "Lunch & Learn" series for the full year
- Two complimentary tickets to Temple Israel's Annual Gala

### חלוצים – *Chalutzim* – Pioneers: \$4,800-\$5,999

Includes all benefits of *Tomchim*, plus:

- Four complimentary digital yahrzeit plaques
- One Silver Sponsorship (or equivalent) of Mishloach Manot

### תומכים – *Tomchim* – Supporters: \$3,600-\$4,799

Includes all benefits of *Chaverim*, plus:

- Two complimentary tickets to a speaker, event or concert
- One complimentary Yahrzeit candle (mailed out to you or can be picked-up in the office)

### חברים – *Chaverim* – Friends: \$2,000-\$3,599

This level includes:

- Two adult High Holiday tickets
- One complimentary ticket to a Sisterhood, Brotherhood, or Hazak event (value: \$36)
- \$36 gift certificate to the Walter Family Judaic Shop

**Base Membership Commitment Level:** \$900-\$1,999

**Please note:** This membership level includes *ONE* High Holiday ticket. Additional tickets will be available at member rates.

**Associate Membership Commitment Level:** less than \$900

**Please note:** This membership level does not include Temple Israel scholarships or High Holiday tickets. Tickets will be available at member rates.

**HIGH HOLIDAY MEMBER RATES:**

	Base/Associate Members and Adult Guests of Members	Older Children of Members (19-25)
RH & YK	\$250	\$36
RH	\$170	\$25
YK	\$85	\$18

**HIGH HOLIDAY NON-MEMBER RATES:**

	Adults	Children (0-5)	Children (5-18)	College Students
RH & YK	\$360	\$10	\$100	\$75
RH	\$180	\$10	\$50	\$50
YK	\$180	\$10	\$50	\$25

All Membership levels are always welcome. Every contribution, no matter the amount, is deeply valued and helps us fulfill our mission.

We appreciate that every family's financial ability is different, and we encourage each family to contribute in a way that feels meaningful and manageable.

All Membership Levels qualify for discounts for events, classes, Religious School and programs.

For any questions, please email Karen Nahary, Executive Director: [knahary@tisharon.org](mailto:knahary@tisharon.org)

# Hertz Nursery School

## 2025-2026 Tuition & Fees

### TODDLER BASE TUITION FOR THE YEAR

Ages: 15 months by August 31 through turning 2 years old by December 31, 2025

Time	Tue/Thu	Mon/Wed/Fri	5 Days
9am-1pm	\$6,618	\$9,209	\$12,015

### EARLY DROP OFF

Mon-Fri 7:30-8:55am

**The cost for early drop-off is \$600 per selected weekday for the full year.**

#### For example:

Monday-Friday = \$3,000/year

Tuesdays & Thursdays = \$1,200/year

You'll only be charged for the specific days you choose.

### AFTERNOON ENRICHMENT

Days	Time	\$/day
Mon-Fri	1-3pm	\$728
Mon-Thu	1-4:30pm	\$1,387
Mon-Thu	1-6pm	\$2,475
Fri*	1-4pm	\$1,387

***\*On Friday, all programs end at 4:00pm.***

## PRE-SCHOOL BASE TUITION FOR THE YEAR

Three Year Old Program: turn 3 by December 31, 2025

Four Year Old Program: turn 4 by December 31, 2025

Transitional Kindergarten: For children with summer or fall birthdays that are turning 5  
(TK must enroll in M-F Core Program)

Time	Mon/Wed/Fri	Mon/Wed/Thu/Fri	5 Days
9am-3pm	\$8,261	\$10,568	\$12,587

### EARLY DROP OFF - *PLEASE SEE PRICING ON PREVIOUS PAGE*

Mon-Fri 7:30-8:55am

### AFTERNOON ENRICHMENT

Days	Time	\$/day
Mon-Thu	3-4:30pm	\$658
Mon-Thu	3-6pm	\$1,088
Fri*	3-4pm	\$658

*\*On Friday, all programs end at 4:00pm.*

## HERTZ NURSERY SCHOOL DISCOUNTS:

### Annual Commitment Discount:

- \$3,600 Annual Commitment: Receive a credit equal to the increase from your 2024 - 2025 Annual Commitment plus \$500.
  - Example: If I go from my Annual Commitment of \$1,000 to \$3,600 my increase is \$2,600. I will receive a \$3,100 credit towards my child's tuition.

**Sibling Discount:** 10% off tuition for the second child with the lower tuition.

### Tuition Payment Schedule:

- Hertz tuition payments will be scheduled prior to the start of the year (Sept 1st).
- Scheduled tuition payments must be completed prior to April 1<sup>st</sup>.

### Early Full Payment Discount: Discontinued

- (Note: Members who took advantage of this discount last year will still be eligible to for a discount of \$500 if full tuition paid before Sept 1, 2025.)

# Temple Israel Religious School

## 2025-2026 Tuition & Fees

Grade	Members	Non-Members
Kindergarten & First	\$775	\$1,730
Second - Fifth	\$1,290	\$2,245
Sixth*	\$3,640	N/A
Seventh	\$1,290	\$2,245
Enrichment/Chugim (per semester)	\$225	\$300

### RELIGIOUS SCHOOL DISCOUNTS:

#### Annual Commitment Discount:

- \$2,000 Annual Commitment:
  - K through 7<sup>th</sup> Grade you will receive a credit of \$1,500
  - \*B Mitzvah Year (6<sup>th</sup> Grade): we bundle together tuition (\$1,290) and the B Mitzvah Fee (\$2,350) charges into a \$3,640 fee.

#### Tuition Payment Schedule:

- Religious School tuition payments must be scheduled or paid in full prior to the start of the year (Sept 1<sup>st</sup>).
- Scheduled tuition payments must be completed prior to April 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Sibling Discount:** 10% off tuition for the second child with the lower tuition.

#### Families who have children in both Hertz and Religious School

- If you pay at the \$3,600 level, you will receive a credit equal to \$500 plus the difference paid in commitment.

#### Example:

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- **Total This Year After Credit: \$16,500 ✓** That's **\$500 less** than last year!

**What are the payment schedule options?**

We have 3 payment schedule options for Membership dues.

**Balance must be paid in full by March 31.**

1. 100% payment 30 days from June 1<sup>st</sup> invoice
2. Quarterly payments due June 1, September 1, December 1, and March 1
3. Ten monthly payments beginning June 1 and ending March 31

**What if I cannot afford the full amount of the dues and fees?**

No one will be denied membership because of financial hardship. Contact Karen Nahary, Executive Director at [knahary@tisharon.org](mailto:knahary@tisharon.org) to discuss options.

**Can I pay by credit cards?**

Yes. Payment by credit card will incur a 3% processing fee.

**Forms of payment:**

You can pay by cash, check, credit card, ACH or stock transfer.

- For ACH or credit card, log into your account and follow instructions to set up payments.
- Checks may be dropped off at the office or mailed to P.O. Box 377, Sharon, MA 02067.
- Cash may be brought to the office.

**What movement are you affiliated with?**

Temple Israel belongs to the Conservative Movement. We are associated with USCJ.

**Do I have to live in Sharon to be a member of TI Sharon?**

Many of our community members live in Sharon, but we are fortunate that we have congregants who join us from Canton, Stoughton, Easton, Foxboro, Dedham, and many other surrounding towns.

**We are an interfaith family, can we become members?**

Of course! Our core value of Inclusion/*Kavod haBriyot* means we welcome the participation of interfaith couples and families. To support this commitment, our Inclusion committee works with our clergy to:

- Establish inclusive practices for communal life and rituals while maintaining standards of *halakhah* (Jewish law).
- Raise awareness and educate our membership about best practices of inclusion within the context of Conservative Judaism.

**We are part of the LGBTQ+ community. Will we feel welcome?**

We are committed to creating a welcoming, inclusive, and supportive environment for everyone, including members of the LGBTQ+ community. We celebrate diversity and believe that each individual enriches our community. You will always be welcomed here. If you have any specific concerns or needs, please feel free to reach out to [templeoffice@tisharon.org](mailto:templeoffice@tisharon.org), and we will do our best to ensure you feel comfortable and valued.

**How accessible is TI Sharon?**

Temple Israel is ADA-accessible and we offer different accommodations as needed for members and guests. We have audio aids, transliterated siddurim (prayer books), and magnifiers. Please reach out to the main office should you need something specific ahead of your visit to our building.

**What if I don't know Hebrew?**

That's ok! We don't need you to be fluent, we just want you to come and join us! Much of our rituals and services are conducted in Hebrew. Our siddurim (prayerbooks) are in Hebrew with translation and we have fully transliterated siddurim available in our Sanctuary.

**Do you keep kosher?**

We have a kosher kitchen and only allow Kosher food to be brought into the building. By keeping a strict standard of Kashrut, we are able to meet the diverse religious and dietary needs of our community. For any specific kashrut questions, please email Rabbi Jeremy Fineberg at [jfineberg@tisharon.org](mailto:jfineberg@tisharon.org).

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### **What do I wear to worship services at TI Sharon?**

Come as you are! We would never turn anyone away but ask that you dress modestly and appropriately.

### **Do your clergy perform weddings, baby namings, funerals, etc?**

Our Rabbi and Cantor are committed to being present in the lifecycles of all of our members, to share in and be part of the joys and the oys that make up every life. Our clergy are honored to officiate at life-cycle occasions for Temple Israel members and, under certain circumstances, for non-members. Have a special need or want to plan a lifecycle event? Call our office to find out how we can be there for you.

### **How does membership at TI Sharon work?**

To learn more about membership, please visit the membership page on our website. We understand that families give at different levels, and we want to be clear: everyone is welcome at Temple Israel, regardless of their financial contribution. Whether you give below, at, or above the sustaining level, your generosity is deeply valued and truly makes a difference. Please reach out to our Executive Director, Karen Nahary to learn more.

### **Do I have to become a member to come to events?**

You do not have to be a member to join us for events. Please note that some of our programming will offer a membership rate, but all community members are welcome to join us!

### **Do you have adult education?**

We have a vibrant calendar of adult education throughout the year. Please visit our website (*tisharon.org*) to learn more about current and past programming.

### **Do you have youth education?**

We are proud of our Temple Israel Religious School and Youth programming. Our Religious School is from Kindergarten through 7th grade and offers 8-12th graders the opportunity to be Madrichim (counselors) as a great leadership opportunity. We also offer youth group outings throughout the year. Please check our website for more information!

### **Do you have a preschool?**

Hertz Nursery School at Temple Israel offers a unique multifaceted program for children ages 15 months through age 5, including a Transitional Kindergarten program. To learn more please visit our website.

### **How do I meet people and become a part of this community?**

Come check out our Shabbat morning services, adult and youth education opportunities, or morning/evening minyan during the week. You are always welcome to come to an upcoming event!

### **How can I get involved with Jewish rituals at TI (e.g., read Torah)?**

One thing that makes TI special is our balancing of lay and professional leadership for services. Please reach out to Cantor Gloth to sign up to read Torah, lead Services, or learn how to lead and read!

**If you don't see your question listed here, please feel free to reach out to Karen Nahary, Executive Director at [knahary@tisharon.org](mailto:knahary@tisharon.org) for more information.**