



Inside SCHECHTER

April 5, 2024 / 26 Adar II 5784
Weekly Parashat : **Shemini**

Candle lighting: **7:01 PM**
Shabbat ends: **8:05 PM**

Schechter Shines: ISACS Commendations



This week Schechter welcomed members of the accreditation review committee of Independent Schools of the Central States (ISACS) to witness first-hand how Schechter lives its mission, vision, and values. For four days, the team had opportunities to interact with our *tzevet* (faculty and staff) and board, get to know our students, attend classes, and immerse themselves in our school community.

The visit followed two years of a self-study involving all aspects of school life. The goal: to renew Schechter's ISACS accreditation which ensures we are continuing to meet ISACS's rigorous standards — including a commitment to excellence and continuous self-improvement. The final decision regarding accreditation is expected in a few weeks. For now, we are proud to share five commendations from the ISACS's team in recognition of our commitment to excellence.

Click the link below to read commendations. Join us in celebrating our school's achievements — highlighting our commitment to Jewish life and learning, dedication to meeting individual student needs, ongoing professional development for our faculty and staff, and an emphasis on collaboration, creativity, and innovation.

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Thanks to Ilene Brot, General Studies Student Growth Coordinator/Instructional Coach, for leading this monumental effort, the self-study chapter chairs and steering committee; Shira Rozgovich for organizing the beautiful welcome reception; Meital Hochenboym for her incredible organization throughout this process; and every

member of our tzevet for their commitment to this process and helping us to shine throughout the ISACS team's visit.

Seussical Jr. is Finally Here!



Come one, Come all to our 30th Annual Sager School Musical! After months of hard work by our talented cast and crews, a fabulous team of dedicated volunteers, and our incredible production staff led by Dr. Andy Rosenson, Marsha Rosenson, and Danny Kahn, Seussical Jr. is coming your way THIS Sunday and Monday. Join us as we celebrate our commitment to the performing arts at Schechter! Photo Credit: Iris Zuckerman

Thank You!

Special thanks to the John R. Halligan Charitable Fund for their ongoing support of our musical productions.

The production staff wishes to thank our school maintenance staff for their help and assistance in the creation of this production.

As always, we are especially grateful to the spouses, children, and parents of all those involved in this production. Once again, you have provided invaluable support and patience, along with countless car pools, telephone calls and schedule changes to accommodate us and we deeply appreciate it.

Finally, the directors want to thank each student in the cast, band, and crew.

You have ALL contributed many long arduous hours to this production. Your commitment and your tremendous effort has made *Seussical Jr.* a wonderful production. You should feel so proud! Yasher Koach on an absolutely remarkable production!

Solomon Schechter Day School
proudly presents the
30th annual
Sager School Musical



SeUSSICAL

Music by Stephen Flaherty
Lyrics by Lynn Ahrens
Book by Lynn Ahrens and Stephen Flaherty
Co-Conceived by Lynn Ahrens, Stephen Flaherty and Eric Idle
Based on the works of Dr. Seuss
Music Supervised, Adapted and Produced by Bryan Louiselle

April 7, 2024 at 3:30 PM
April 8, 2024 at 6:30 PM

Christian Heritage Academy Auditorium
315 Waukegan Road
Northfield, IL 60095

Get
Tickets

Students Thrive in Intramurals ☐☐



Our 5th-8th graders are thriving in Intramural Volleyball and 5th-6th Intramural Basketball. "They're not just playing, they're gaining valuable skills in each sport," said Alicia Honan, Athletic Director/Physical Education and Health Teacher.

"Volleyball players are mastering strategies and improving under Coach Jen Katin's guidance that will help them excel in their high school sports. And with Coach JB, our basketball enthusiasts are honing their skills and gearing up to become team leaders. We can't wait to continue following these students athletic journeys!"

Leaping into Passover at the ECC



Dive into Passover with the Ginsburg ECC! This week, students explored Passover through sensory play. From feeling the textures of Passover symbols to engaging their senses in playful activities, students are fully immersed in the holiday spirit. Playing with frogs in "Play-Doh," they even recalled a song from last year: "Frogs here, frogs there, frogs were jumping everywhere!"

Kol Hakavod to Devora Weinberg on her Bat Mitzvah

Mazal tov to Devora Weinberg (SSDS '26) on becoming a Bat Mitzvah this weekend at Kol Sasson Congregation. Devora enjoys softball, basketball, going to Camp Ramah, learning languages on Duolingo, playing the saxophone, and hanging out with her friends.

Congratulations to her parents, Sarah & Daniel

(former SSDS admin) Weinberg; her siblings, Leora Weinberg (SSDS '21) and Jacob Weinberg (SSDS '23); her grandparents, Roz & Dr. Oren Conway and Jody (former SSDS teacher) & Rabbi Michael Weinberg; aunts and uncles, Richard & Debbie Silverstein; Miriam Silverstein; Rabbi Josh Weinberg & Mara Sheftel; Sarah Weinberg (SSDS '00); and cousins, Jonathan, Sam, and Noah Silverstein; Adina, Max, & Shayna Silverstein; and Noa, Ella, Mia, & Alma Getz.



Kol Hakavod to Jacob Vaysman on his Bar Mitzvah Project

Sager School 7th grader Jacob Vaysman and his cousin Lev Markel were supposed to celebrate their B'nai Mitzvah in Israel, but when the war broke out their plans changed. As they were separately coming up with their Bar Mitzvah projects, their parents learned about an organization in Eilat in Israel that has taken in and is now caring for many refugees from the kibbutzim near and around Gaza that were terrorized on October 7th.

The cousins decided to raise funds for the organization to help some of the young refugees have a Bar Mitzvah celebration. **On Sunday, April 14th from 1-2pm they are holding a skating event at the Northbrook Ice Center.**



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Upcoming Events

Grandparent & Me: Passover Discovery Workshop

Sunday, April 7, 10am-11am
SCHECHTER Northbrook Campus

Join award-winning Theater Artist and Jewish Educator **Jonathan Shmidt Chapman** (founder of The K'ilu Company) for this hands-on workshop designed for grandparents and grandchildren in Kindergarten-3rd grade!



Explore the story of Pesach together - "k'ilu" - as if you were there - through imaginative and creative play.



Cost: Donation of \$18 per grandparent/child(ren) to attend this event

REGISTER HERE

Questions? Contact
shira.rozgovich@schechter.org



This program is being presented in partnership with Jewish Grandparents Network.



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now!**

A FIRST-HAND ACCOUNT OF OCTOBER 7 AND LIFE IN ISRAEL

with Deborah Ben Aderet

Tuesday, April 9 | 7:00 PM
Schechter Northbrook Campus

Join us as Deborah Ben Aderet shares her journey from Schechter alumna to making Aliyah, settling near the Gaza border, and her harrowing experiences during the events of October 7th.

On October 25th, Deborah returned temporarily to her hometown of Highland Park with her daughters, where they have been welcomed back into our Schechter community.



This is a free event, however registration is required.



**Register
now!**

The Explosive Child

Collaborative and proactive solutions for out-of-control behavior



Ross Greene, PhD

Author of New York Times bestseller, *The Explosive Child*
Founder, Collaborative & Proactive Solutions (OPS) Model
Adjunct Professor, department of psychology at Virginia Tech

Thursday, April 11, 2024
7:00 - 8:30 PM CDT
Live on Zoom

Produced by The Wellness Institute,
a division of the Rohr Jewish Learning Institute (JLI)

▶ Register for this seminar at:
go.wellnessinstitute.org/explosivechild

Cost: \$18 per person
Use promo code: SSDS

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Thursday, April 11 | 7-8:30pm

Virtual Program. Use promo code: SSDS

Join bestselling author of *The Explosive Child* and *Lost at School*, Dr. Ross Greene, PhD, to learn about collaborative and proactive solutions to help our children understand their feelings, navigate frustration, and cultivate skills for better emotional regulation.

**Sign up
now!**



**Join the Schechter Community for
a Volunteer Open House at
Solomon Schechter Day School**
Sunday, April 14 | 3:30–5 PM

Drop in to work on a variety of service projects with community members of all ages. Assemble activity kits for pediatric patients, decorate rocks for a Holocaust memorial garden, write cards to Israeli first responders, and more!

**Sign up
now!**



— SCHECHTER —

GIVES BACK WITH **MAOT CHITIM**

— SUNDAY, APRIL 14 @ 9 AM —

*Pick up will take place at Schechter,
3210 Dundee Road, Northbrook*



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