

Ben Zoma teaches: *Who is worthy of kavod (respect)? The one who treats other human beings with kavod.* – Pirkei Avot 4:1

## FOR PARENTS: Congregation B'nai Brith Children's School Kavod Code (Respect/Responsibility Student Contract)

Please read and discuss this Kavod Code with your child, and have your child bring a signed copy to class on the first day of school.

One of the central goals of the CBBCS community is to work in partnership with our families towards a vibrant, caring, and ethical learning community. The CBBCS **Kavod Code** is a fundamental set of rules that apply to all students, parents, and teachers.

- *Students* have a responsibility to follow the **Kavod Code** by conducting themselves in a manner that is in the best interest of learning and the spirit of the community
- *Parents* have a responsibility to develop positive attitudes toward study and behavior and to foster the fundamental concepts of our **Kavod Code**.
- *Teachers* have a responsibility to develop age-appropriate classroom rules that encompass and complement the **Kavod Code** and to encourage positive behavior through teaching and classroom management.

### For Younger Children

TREAT EVERYONE AND EVERYTHING YOU ARE LEARNING WITH RESPECT  
OUR SYNAGOGUE IS A SPECIAL PLACE. TREAT IT WITH CARE.  
REMEMBER THAT EVERYONE HAS SOMETHING SPECIAL TO OFFER  
USE KIND WORDS  
LISTEN TO OTHERS  
IF YOU DISAGREE WITH SOMEONE, TRY TO FIND A WAY TO AGREE. IF YOU HURT SOMEONE, FIND A WAY TO MAKE THEM FEEL BETTER.  
BE HAPPY FOR OTHER PEOPLE WHEN GOOD THINGS HAPPEN, AND TRY TO HELP THEM IF SOMETHING BAD HAPPENS.

### For Older Children:

TREAT YOUR PEERS, TEACHERS, AND SUBJECT MATTER WITH RESPECT  
TAKE SPECIAL CARE OF OUR SACRED SPACE  
VALUE WHAT EACH INDIVIDUAL HAS TO OFFER  
COMMUNICATE THOUGHTFULLY AND WITH COMPASSION  
LISTEN RESPECTFULLY TO OTHERS  
RESOLVE DIFFERENCES IN AN APPROPRIATE WAY AND MAKE AMENDS IF YOU HURT OTHERS  
SHARE IN EACH OTHER'S JOYS AND SUPPORT EACH OTHER IN TIMES OF NEED

I have read and discussed this Kavod Code with my child.

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STUDENT'S NAME

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PARENT'S SIGNATURE

# Congregation B'nai Brith Children's School

## Kavod Code/Respect & Responsibility Student Contract

### Expectations:

- Student will behave in a physically and emotionally safe manner at all times to ensure the well-being of classmates, teachers and the environment.
- Student will listen the first time spoken to.
- Student will respond in a respectful manner.
- Student will have a positive attitude towards the classroom community and learning.

### Recognition:

- Student will receive positive verbal praise.
- Student will receive a written "mazel tov message", congratulations for a job well done!
- Student will be allowed to make choices in the classroom determined by the teacher which may include; seating, peer partner, classroom assistant, activity selection, prize or "free pass".
- Communication home to parents.

### Consequences for Not Meeting Expectations:

- Student will be asked by the teacher, are you making a good choice?
- Student will be specifically reminded by teacher of appropriate behavior.
- Student will be asked to remove self from challenging situation, peer or activity.
- Student will be asked to remove self from the classroom briefly to refocus attention. Communication with parents regarding challenge.
- Student will be asked to leave the classroom for the remainder of the lesson and will be supervised by a staff person. Communication with parents.

Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Staff: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent: \_\_\_\_\_