



## **Tehiyah Day School Admission Policy**

1. Tehiyah seeks a diverse student body; admission is open to all students regardless of race, color, religion, gender, disability, sexual orientation, nationality, economic status, or ethnic origin.
2. Tehiyah believes that any child admitted should have the ability to be successful here. Admission may be denied if the school does not believe that this is a sufficient possibility for an applicant.
3. The educational goals of Tehiyah in both General and Judaic Studies will be discussed with the families of prospective students. Admission is conditioned upon on families' interest and support for their children's experience with Tehiyah's dual-curriculum.
4. All applications are reviewed by an established admissions committee and all required application materials must be received before the committee's review can begin.
5. Siblings are given preference for admissions, but having a sibling in the school does not automatically guarantee acceptance.
6. Because of Tehiyah's dual-language program, students entering second grade or later grades must have a basic knowledge of the Hebrew alphabet, an ability to read and write simple words in Hebrew, and a simple vocabulary of frequently used Hebrew words. Tehiyah will work with families after they are admitted to help identify tutorial resources, including selection and direction of a child's tutor (if needed).
7. Tehiyah seeks to create an environment that is conducive to learning for all students. Admissions decisions will therefore take into consideration applicants' behavioral issues (if any). If behavioral challenges are deemed to significantly impact the classroom environment, admission may be denied.
8. Tehiyah requires that all applicants have some sort of formal group experience (preschool, daycare, camp, or something similar) before entering kindergarten or first grade. Exceptions to this policy can only be made if Tehiyah is able to fully evaluate the applicant during the school year prior to admission to assess readiness. Any admitted student who has not had a formal group experience before attending Tehiyah will be admitted conditionally.