Congregation Anshei Israel B'nai Mitzvah Curriculum

The CAI B'nai Mitzvah Curriculum is designed to provide a well-rounded Bar/Bat Mitzvah experience. By participating in all aspects of the curriculum, your child will receive an education based on lifelong knowledge and skills for continued participation in Jewish life.

MONDAY B'nai Mitzvah Class with Cantorial Soloist Nichole Chorny

- 4:00-5:30pm on Mondays
- Tefilla/Prayer: Students learn to lead Shabbat Services in an individual and group setting
 - Students discuss meaning of the prayers, which is tied into the Values-Based Education (see below)
- Torah/Haftorah: Students are provided with one-on-one tutoring for their Torah and Haftorah portions
- Ritual Learning: Students learn the "ins and outs" of the service and participate in group discussions about what is it to become an adult leader in our Jewish Community

MONDAY B'nai Mitzvah Class with Rabbi Robert Eisen

- Torah & Haftorah Study: Students study their individual Torah & Haftorah portions with Rabbi Eisen and compose their Drash (speech) to share with the congregation.
- Bar/Bat Mitzvah Project: Students get guidance from Rabbi Eisen on creating a Bar/Bat Mitzvah Project that is meaningful and important to them

TUESDAY 7th/8th Grade Religious School

- 4:00pm-6:00pm on Tuesdays
- Values Based Education: Students discuss one value each week related to becoming a Bar/Bat Mitzvah and feeling ownership over becoming part of our Jewish Community as a young adult
- Madrichim: Students are presented with the opportunity, trained, and mentored to become a Madrich/Madricha (leader & teacher aide) for the Religious School
- Class is followed by optional Junior USY participation and dinner

SHABBT MORNING SERVICES with Rabbi Ruven Barkan

- 9:00am in the chapel with Rabbi Barkan, followed by Shabbat services in the sanctuary
- Parshat HaShavua: Students discuss the Torah portion of the week and how it relates to their lives and becoming a Bar/Mat Mitzvah
- Students get further oriented with the Shabbat morning service
- Students participate in many parts of the service as a class, including the Torah Service and concluding prayers

B'nai Mitzvah Havurah (Fellowship) Program

- 3-5 family programs per year that are especially designed for B'nai Mitzvah students, parents/guardians, and siblings. Lunch or dinner is included.
- Programs are held either immediately following B'nai Mitzvah class on Mondays or immediately following Shabbat morning services
- Each program will cover a different topic related to the B'nai Mitzvah process, and provide an opportunity to get to know other families going through the same process