

EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FORM

We are delighted that you are planning to celebrate this important life-cycle event with our community. These are the Temple of Aaron guidelines, used for many years and based on national policy of the Conservative Movement and our Board of Directors, for *Bar/Bat Mitzvah*.

1. The child must be Jewish, i.e., born of a woman who herself was born Jewish, or the child was born to a woman who has been converted to Judaism prior to the child's birth. If the child has been adopted or born to a non-Jewish woman before the woman was converted, the child must undergo a conversion ceremony.
2. Candidates for *Erev Shabbat/Shabbat* morning *Bar/Bat Mitzvah* must be enrolled in either: Temple of Aaron's Rossy and Richard Shaller Hebrew School, Talmud Torah of St Paul or Minneapolis Afternoon or Day Schools, or the Minneapolis Jewish Day School.

All *Bar/Bat Mitzvah* candidates, whether celebrating an *Erev Shabbat* and *Shabbat* morning *simcha* or *Mincha simcha*, must study for a minimum of three (3) years at Temple of Aaron Rabbi Bernard S. Raskas Religious School, including 7th grade. Candidates must successfully complete each year program with regard to Jewish learning progress, attendance and behavior.

3. Families who have moved into the community or who have become members too late to fulfill the list of educational requirements are required to present evidence of similar training from the previous synagogue affiliation. If this is not possible, the student may qualify for a *Mincha* Saturday evening *Bar/Bat Mitzvah*. In determining qualifications, for *Mincha* Saturday, the Board of Directors will consider medical disability and geographical distance.

We highly recommend post *Bar/Bat Mitzvah* students continue their Jewish education at the Temple of Aaron Sunday and Honors Religious School program, Talmud Torah *Midrasha* through high school graduation.

Please sign and turn in this form

We have reviewed the education requirements set by the Temple of Aaron Board of Directors. Our *Bar/Bat Mitzvah* child will complete (minimally) the 7th grade in Temple of Aaron's Rabbi Bernard Raskas Religious School and Rossy and Richard Shaller Hebrew School, or will complete the *Hai* Class at St Paul or Minneapolis Talmud Torah, or the 7th grade at the Twin Cities Jewish Middle School. We agree to comply with the above requirements in order to confirm the date we scheduled for our *Bar/Bat Mitzvah*.

Date

Signature(s) of Parent(s)

Proposed *Bar/Bat Mitzvah* Date

Bar/Bat Mitzvah Student Signature

Hebrew Date

Torah Portion

Child's Hebrew Name