

TEMPLE SINAI RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

May 2019 / Iyyar 5779

Dear Families,

We are delighted to announce that Religious School registration for the 2019-2020 school year is now underway!

As you know, our highest priority at Temple Sinai Religious School is the education of our children. Together with the clergy, Education Committee, and teachers, we are committed to providing the richest and most creative Jewish learning opportunities, in ways that are relevant to today's young learners.

As we plan for a new school year, I would like to outline several of our creative initiatives and exciting Jewish Education programs:

- 1) Please note that due to the visionary support of our Education and Finance committees we **will not be raising tuition rates this year. Tuition rates for all Religious School programs will remain the same as last year.**
- 2) I am delighted to share with you that in its first pilot year our *Shabbat School* for Students in **Kindergarten through Sixth Grade** was a great success and due to numerous requests from our families we decided to continue offering Shabbat program learning sessions on Saturday from 10am -12pm in addition to the required Judaic and Hebrew language curriculum, during these Shabbat program learning sessions students will explore prayer through mixed artistic media including song, dance, and art. Families gather approximately once a month for community building, learning, and a celebratory meal.
- 3) **If you have a Kindergarten through Second Grade student**, please consider our **Torah Explorers Program**. Torah Explorers attend one day per week. **In its fifth year, this program has been a great success!** The Torah Explorers program incorporates stories, art, singing, dancing, yoga and hands-on activities. It offers a flexible trimester schedule, where students can attend the full year or build a program that meets their needs by choosing to attend only one or two semesters.
- 4) **Small Group Tutorial** is an innovative program for students in **Grades Four through Six**. The students meet once a week for two hours in a small group. **The location, days and times of the class can be determined by the parents and tutor.** In addition to weekly tutorials, students are expected to attend one Shabbat service per month, Mitzvah Day, and some additional Temple events.

- 5) ***Hineni* - Mitzvah Education Initiative** offers our families a flexible learning model where students focus on *tikkun olam* and community service. *Hineni* is also for students in **Grades Four through Six**. *Hineni* students will attend class one day per week. For Hebrew language instruction, *Hineni* students will be placed in groups of six. *Hineni tikkun olam* projects, such as helping the underprivileged, healing the environment, brightening the lives of the elderly, working with children with special needs and much, much more, will be held on a variety of weekday late afternoons and evenings, or Sunday mornings.
- 6) **For Fourth through Sixth Grade** families who want to make their children's Jewish education a priority, we are once again offering the ***Kavod Plus Program***. Students attend twice a week: Wednesday/Saturday. In addition to the required Judaic and Hebrew prayer curriculum, *Kavod Plus* students will be exposed to the Modern Hebrew that is spoken today in the State of Israel, learn Torah and Haftarah cantillation, and explore Jewish History.
- 7) To better meet the needs of children with Individualized Education Plans and 504 Plans, we will continue to offer ***Kadima. Kadima***, which means "forward" in Hebrew, is a Hebrew tutorial program that provides students with individualized instruction at the synagogue or in the student's home. Tutors are experienced special-needs educators.
- 8) **Temple Sinai Youth Choir** will once again meet Monday through Wednesday, at the beginning of each class session from 4:10-4:30pm. Cantor Sergei Schwartz encourages all students in grades Kindergarten through Six who love to sing, to join the Choir!

To secure a space for your child for the next school year we ask you to register as soon as possible. Registering early will enable us to properly plan for classes, teachers, books, and supplies. We ask you to please assist us, so that we can be well prepared for the coming school year.

Take advantage of our Early Bird rates, now through June 15!

Please do not hesitate to contact the Religious School Office if you have any questions.

Cantor-Educator Elena Schwartz

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REGISTRATION PROCEDURES

Thank you for registering your child for Religious School. Your commitment to Jewish Education is the link that connects the chain of our people's continued existence.

Registration is on a first come, first served basis. Space is limited on certain days. Registration will not be taken over the phone and must be received (with non-refundable payment) by June 14 to ensure the day of your choice and qualify for the early bird discount. Payment may be made in 3 installments – Please see pink "Family Form" for details. *Please note: All other Temple fees must be current in order for registration to be processed.*

TO REGISTER:

1. Complete **1 PINK FAMILY FORM** per family.
2. Fill out **1 WHITE INDIVIDUAL STUDENT FORM** for each child that you are registering. If you need additional forms, please photocopy the form or call the School Office at 621-8016 to have one mailed, e-mailed or faxed. The form is also available on the Religious School page at mysinai.org.
3. If you are enrolling for the *Hineni* Program (grades 4, 5 or 6), fill out and sign the **HINEINI COMMITMENT FORM** in addition to the other 2 forms.
4. Please include the appropriate **TUITION** and drop off or mail to the Temple office. Registration cannot be processed without an initial payment.
5. If you have any questions or concerns that you would like to discuss, please call the School Office at 621-8016.

PROGRAM INFORMATION:

Torah Explorers – Grades K-2

Flexible Trimester Schedule: September-November; December-February; March-May

Classes meet on Mondays, Tuesdays or Wednesdays from 4:10-6:15pm or Saturdays from 10:00am-12:00pm. Students in these grades are introduced to Jewish holidays, the Hebrew alphabet, Bible stories, and Jewish objects. Students can attend the full year or build a program that meets their needs and choose one or two semesters.

Gesher – Grade 3*

Classes meet on Mondays, Tuesdays, or Wednesdays from 4:10-6:15pm or Saturdays from 10:00am-12:00pm. Gesher is a unique program which we developed to ensure a smooth transition for all returning and new 3rd grade students. Students learn to read and write Hebrew providing them with a solid foundation in decoding the Hebrew letters and vowels. Daily *Tefilah* gives students the opportunity to practice prayers. They learn about Jewish holidays, traditions, and the Land of Israel. They also explore the idea that each of us has the power to make the world more holy/*kadosh*.

***Please note that Temple Sinai's Bar/Bat Mitzvah policy requires that students enroll in Religious School NO LATER than 3rd grade to be eligible to become Bar/Bat Mitzvah at Temple Sinai. If you have any questions or concerns about this policy, please contact the School Office.**

Hineni Program – Grades 4, 5, or 6

Days and times vary depending on the project/speaker. The Hineni Program is a flexible, creative model for our 4th, 5th and 6th grade students who are interested in taking an active role in acts of *Tikkun Olam* (repairing the world). A separate family commitment form is required. ***Please see the Hineni Program literature for more details.***

Small Group Tutorial Program – Grades 4, 5 and 6

The Small Group Tutorial Program is a flexible instructional model offered to our 4th, 5th and 6th grade students. ***Please see the Small Group Tutorial literature for more details.***

Kadima – All Grades

Teachers meet with students individually. The goal of this program is to ensure that Jewish Education is available to all of our children. These sessions provide opportunities to practice and review materials for students who require additional support. Students experiencing difficulty with Hebrew reading or who need individually help to meet our congregational Religious School standards are able to improve their skills and confidence in this supportive learning environment.

Kavod Plus – Grades 4, 5 and 6

Students meet Wednesdays from 4:10-6:15pm and Saturdays from 10:00am – 12:00pm. This specialized honors program offers a focused course of study with a greater emphasis on Modern Conversational Hebrew language. Students will learn about Jewish life cycle, Jewish history, mitzvot, Torah, and Israel, as well as prayer literacy and Torah cantillation. **Students who select this program must be highly motivated and committed to regular attendance.**

Holocaust & Jewish Resistance Program – Grade 6

In the spring, students will have the opportunity to participate in a supplementary course on the Holocaust, led by our award-winning educator and congregant Abbie Laskey. Please note that this course is offered on **Thursdays** only.

Mitzvah Makers – Grade 7

Our 7th Grade program meets on Monday nights from 6:40-8:00pm.

Mitzvah Makers is a new, two-part program:

On Monday nights all 7th Grade students and their families engage in many hands-on learning experiences, participating in programs led by the clergy, educators from the Anti-Defamation League, veterans of the IDF, and more.

Mitzvah Makers is a community service component of the B'nei Mitzvah Project. In the fall of 7th Grade, students join long-term community service groups and continue their volunteer services through the 7th Grade school year. To form deep connections between the volunteer work and Jewish traditions, all Mitzvah Makers students engage in learning before volunteering.

Class Attendance

Students are expected to attend a minimum of 75% of all class sessions. Regular class attendance provides continuity for the learner. Since we do offer choices for days that classes meet, we ask that you select days on which extracurricular activities do not conflict on a regular basis. **Please note that students MUST be enrolled in school (7th or 8th Grade) at the time of their Bar/Bat Mitzvah.**

PLEASE NOTE: THERE IS NO TUITION INCREASE THIS YEAR

19/20 Fees:	Temple Sinai Religious School Family Registration Form 2019-2020	 TEMPLE SINAI <i>Where every heart has a home</i>
Date Received:		

Parent #1: _____

Address: _____

Home phone #: _____ **Business phone #:** _____

Cell phone #: _____ **Email:** _____

Parent # 2: _____

Address: _____

Home phone #: _____ **Business phone #:** _____

Cell phone #: _____ **Email:** _____

Emergency Contact Name & Telephone #: _____

Please indicate preferred email for school mailings: Parent #1 Parent #2 Both

Please list all children you are enrolling:

Child's Name	Grade (Fall '19)	Fee
Total School Fees Enclosed		

- ALL TEMPLE FEES MUST BE CURRENT PRIOR TO SCHOOL REGISTRATION.
- RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FEES FOR 2019-20 MUST BE INCLUDED WITH THIS FORM.
- MULTIPLE PAYMENT OPTION: \$150 (NON-REFUNDABLE) DEPOSIT PAID AT TIME OF REGISTRATION ALONG WITH A SEPARATE CHECK OF \$250 (NON-REFUNDABLE) TOWARDS YOUR TEMPLE DUES.
- REMAINING PAYMENTS FOR TUITION:
 - POST-DATED CHECKS DATED JULY 1 & SEPTEMBER 1, 2019 SUBMITTED AT TIME OF REGISTRATION
 - ONLINE PAYMENTS (ADDITIONAL 3% TRANSACTION FEE) AT WWW.MYSINAI.ORG

	Early Bird Rate: Register by June 14	After June 14
Grade K-2 (congregants)	\$300	\$300
Grade K-2 (non-congregants)	\$500	\$500
Grades 3	\$980	\$1,055
Grades 4-6	\$1,380	\$1,455
Small Group Tutorial	Additional \$500 per child (4 to a group)	\$500
Grade 7	\$980	\$1,055

All fees include books (if applicable) & materials. Trip fees may be additional.
 All Grade K-7 fees also include a \$20 Youth Engagement Fee which covers admission to all regular lounge nights.

STUDENTS MUST BE ENROLLED AT THE TIME OF THEIR BAR/BAT MITZVAH.

A Bar/Bat Mitzvah Fee will be billed separately.

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INDIVIDUAL STUDENT REGISTRATION FORM 2019-2020

- Please fill out a separate form for each student
- Please fill out all pages of this form.
- Please attach a photo of your child to this form.

ATTACH
PHOTO
HERE

Student's Name: _____

Circle One: Male Female

Birth Date: _____ Hebrew Name (if known): _____

Grade in Secular School (Fall '19): _____ Name of Secular School: _____

Does your child go to Jewish summer camp? If so, which camp? _____

Would you like someone to contact you with information about Jewish summer camp opportunities and the \$1000 campership program for first-time campers? Yes No

Does your family identify itself as an interfaith family? Yes No

If so, would you like someone from the Interfaith Outreach Committee to contact you? Yes No

Does your child have any special interests/talents of which she/he is particularly proud?

Does your child have any **food allergies** or other health concerns of which we should be aware? If so, will you be leaving an EpiPen or other medication with us?

Is your child taking any medications regularly? Please explain.

Does your child have any special learning needs? Does your child have an IEP form? If so, please explain.

Are there any special family situations of which you would like us to be aware? (e.g. family illness, divorce, remarriage, new birth?) Please explain.

Do you have any concerns that you would like to share with us about your child?

If you would like to meet with Cantor-Educator Elena Schwartz to discuss school-related concerns, please call the Religious School office at 621-8016.

PHOTO RELEASE

Sign **ONLY** if you **DO NOT** want your child's photo published.

In an effort to inform the community about Temple Sinai's unique programs, including Religious School & Youth programming, photographs of the school and children (without names attached) may be used for publicity in brochures, the website and in other media. IF YOU DO NOT WANT YOUR CHILD(REN) TO BE INCLUDED IN PHOTOGRAPHS CONNECTED WITH THE SCHOOL, PLEASE SIGN BELOW.

Child's Name: _____ Parent's Signature: _____ Date: _____

CLASS SELECTION

Please see the REGISTRATION PROCEDURES form for more information on TORAH EXPLORERS, KADIMA, KAVOD PLUS, HINENI, and SMALL GROUP TUTORIAL Programs. Please note that all class offerings are subject to a minimum enrollment.

Please check the session you are requesting:

TORAH EXPLORERS / Flexible Trimester Schedule

K 1 2 (Circle Grade)

(Check Trimesters) _____ September - November _____ December - February _____ March - May

_____ Monday 4:10-6:15pm _____ Tuesday 4:10-6:15pm
_____ Wednesday 4:10-6:15pm _____ Saturday 10:00am-12:00pm

Gesher/Grade 3

_____ Monday 4:10-6:15pm
_____ Tuesday 4:10-6:15pm
_____ Wednesday 4:10-6:15pm
_____ Saturday 10:00am-12:00pm

Grade 4 5 6 (Circle Grade)

_____ Wednesday 4:10-6:15pm / Saturday 10:00am-12:00pm - KAVOD PLUS
_____ Monday 4:10-6:15pm – HINENI Program
_____ Tuesday 4:10-6:15pm – HINENI Program
_____ Wednesday 4:10-6:15pm – HINENI Program
_____ Saturday 10:00am-12:00pm – HINENI Program

Mitzvah Makers/Grade 7

_____ Monday 6:40-8:00pm

Kadima

_____ Day/Time TBD

Small Group Tutorial Program

_____ Day/Time TBD

CLASS PLACEMENT

When assigning classes, we must consider class sizes and the children's individual needs so that we may offer the best Jewish educational learning experience for all our students. We invite you to list up to 2 children with whom your child would like to be placed, so that s/he will have at least one "friendly face" in his/her class. **WE DO NOT GUARANTEE THAT YOUR CHILD WILL BE PLACED WITH BOTH REQUESTS!** We will do our best to honor one placement request. Please keep in mind that our priority is a positive learning environment for all.

1. _____

OR

2. _____

Parent's Signature: _____ Date: _____

COMMUNICATION



Religious School will be utilizing a free, one-way texting service called Remind. It is used by 35 million teachers, students and parents worldwide. 1 in 2 public schools in the United States actively use this service. Unlike group messaging, Remind is a one-way service that keeps phone numbers anonymous, and won't flood your phone with everyone else's responses. We think you will love it. (And if you don't, you can easily cancel at any time.)

Circle Preference for Text Reminders: **Parent #1** **Parent #2** **Both**

PARENT PARTICIPATION

We rely on parents to serve as partners in our school. Your assistance is needed to continue to offer quality Jewish educational programs. Please volunteer to help in at least one of the following areas:

____ Assist with a holiday program

____ Serve on the Education Committee

____ Assist with a class family program

____ Other _____

Temple Sinai is a No-Bullying Zone

At Temple Sinai we have no tolerance for bullying of any kind. Our staff is trained to identify bullying and to report any incidents of bullying to the Director of Education. At the beginning of the year and throughout the year, our students will be taught about what it means to create a sacred community where everyone is treated with kindness and dignity, what to do when they feel they are being bullied, what to do when they witness bullying, and how bullying has no place at Temple Sinai.

Bullying is when one person deliberately and repeatedly intimidates, harms, or publicly embarrasses another.

Bullying can appear in many ways:

Physical	hitting, kicking, shoving, mean hand gestures
Verbal	teasing, taunting, name calling, threatening remarks, spreading rumors
Cyber	using technology to threaten, insult or harass
Indirect	excluding or intentionally leaving a person out, getting someone else to bully another person, gossiping

Sometimes students confuse other behaviors with bullying. No doubt, students will say things to one another which can be mean or hurtful, and whether these things are said intentionally or unintentionally, they still hurt.

Our responsibility at Temple Sinai is to teach our students what to do when they feel they are being bullied, and what to do when they see somebody else being bullied. We encourage our students to speak up and seek help if bullying occurs. At Temple Sinai we follow the Jewish ethic that teaches that we are all responsible for one another, including each other's feelings. Every student will be taught that every child has a right to be here and to be treated with respect, and that when we see another person being bullied, we should not be bystanders and stand silent, but we should report the abuse to an adult who can stop it.

We also want to make sure that our students do not participate in any form of cyber bullying. Cyber bullying is using technology to threaten, insult or harass. Technologies like cell phones and the Internet allow for aggressive expression toward others that doesn't rely on physical strength or even physical contact. A person who cyber bullies can aggressively and anonymously (by creating a false screen name) spread rumors, threats, hate mail, or embarrassing photos through text messages, emails, or instant messages.

Please read and discuss the bullying pledge (on the reverse side of this page) with your child. Please make sure that both of you sign it and return it to us. We hope that this will further impress upon our students that when we say Temple Sinai is a No-Bullying Zone – we mean it!

Student's Name _____

Student's Grade _____

TEMPLE SINAI ANTI-BULLYING PLEDGE

By signing this Anti-Bullying Pledge, I agree to uphold the following Jewish values:

- ✓ Treat others respectfully – *kavod*
- ✓ Include those who are left out – *dibuk chaverim*
- ✓ Never bully or tease others – *derech eretz*
- ✓ Not participate in gossip – *lashon hara*
- ✓ Never watch, laugh or join in when someone is being bullied – *lo ta-amod al dam rayecha*
- ✓ Tell a teacher when I suspect or witness bullying – *ometz lev*
- ✓ Help those who are being bullied by having the courage to be an ally - *rachmanut*
- ✓ Never participate in any form of cyber bullying by using my computer or cell phone to threaten, insult or harass any of my fellow students. If I do witness any cyber bullying, I will tell a parent immediately - *lo ta-amod al dam rayecha*, "Do not stand idly by," Leviticus 19:16.

I understand that bullying has no place at Temple Sinai. I also understand that the Director of Education is the final judge regarding how a bullying incident will be dealt with, and bullying behaviors will be dealt with as follows:

1st Incident: Child and Parent will be called in to meet with the Director to discuss next steps, which will be at the discretion of the Director.

2nd Incident: Child will be suspended from his/her regular class and will instead meet for private learning sessions with the Director of Education or a member of our staff for a period to be determined by the Director, in consultation with our clergy, until it has been determined that the student can come back into the regular program and exhibit proper behavior.

Signature of Student

Date

PARENT I have read and discussed the importance of Temple Sinai's Anti-Bullying policy with my child. He/she understands that Temple Sinai is a No-Bullying Zone and will uphold the values inherent in the agreements stated above.

Signature of Parent

Date

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HINENI PROGRAM REGISTRATION

2019 - 2020

To register for the Hineni Program, please fill out this form, as well as the pink family form and the white individual student registration form.

We are interested in participating in Temple Sinai's *Hineni* Program. We understand that we must commit to complete all four components (A, B, C, & D) to elect this option. We understand that if, at any time during the year, we are not fulfilling our requirements for this program, we may be asked to switch to the traditional school model.

A. Student Name _____ will attend weekly grade-level classes.

B. My child will participate in at least **SIX** weekday or weekend *Hineni Sessions*. We understand that we must RSVP in advance to each of the *Hineni Sessions*.

C. We understand that we must earn a total of at least 30 points through participation in Jewish learning activities, *Tikkun Olam*, and worship services.

We understand that 9 of these points must be earned by attending 3 Shabbat or Festival (Sukkot, Simchat Torah, Passover, Purim, Shavuot) worship services at Temple Sinai. One of these services will be the child's grade-level Milestone service.

At this time, we expect that we will earn the remaining 21 points as follows: (*Changes CAN be made during the year.*)

3 points EACH:

- By attending 3 Shabbat or Festival (Sukkot, Simchat Torah, Purim, Passover, Shavuot) worship services at Temple Sinai. One of these services will be the child's grade-level Milestone.
- By attending JORTY/Rosh Hodesh.
- By attending Jewish Lifecycle Ceremony: Brit Milah, Baby Naming, Bar/Bat Mitzvah, Wedding, and Funeral.

4 points EACH:

- Parents can attend an adult lecture at Temple Sinai. Lectures are usually held on weekday evenings. Dates and topics of this year's lectures will be available throughout the year on the Temple's website www.mysinai.org, the Temple Sinai Scribe and in the Adult Engagement brochure.
- Children can read a Jewish book and write a short summary about the book.
- Doing a *Mitzvah*: Volunteering at an animal shelter, visiting a nursing home, cleaning a park, writing cards to veterans, soldiers or patients or any other type of *Mitzvah*.

6 points EACH:

- Gleanings
- Israel Day Parade
- Religious School Field Trip
- Mitzvah Morning
- Family Trip-As a family, take a trip to a place of Jewish interest, such as Ellis Island, The Jewish Museum, My Jewish Discovery Place Museum at the Suffolk Y, Yeshiva University Museum, or The Anne Frank Center in Manhattan.
- **6 points for EACH additional *Hineni* Shabbat Family Program attended (after the required 6 sessions)**

8 points EACH:

- Parent attends an ongoing Adult Hebrew class at Temple Sinai. Classes will be beginning Hebrew courses, designed to teach the alef-bet and decoding skills. Advanced level Hebrew classes will be offered for adults who know the alef-bet but would like to learn to read the prayers.
- Adult Bar / Bat Mitzvah

18 points EACH:

- Attend URJ (Reform Movement) Camp – Summer 2019 - <http://urjyouth.org/camps/>
- Family trip to Israel
- Abbie Laskey's Holocaust Class

D. We understand that immediately following the *Hineni* sessions, my child will be asked to record his/her experiences in a *Tikkun Olam* (Repairing the World) journal. In addition, after each activity they will be asked to complete a "*Hineni Kartis*" indicating that they participated and drop it off in the Religious School office to receive credit. Journal pages and "*Hineni Kartisim*" will be provided by the Religious School. Journal pages and "*Hineni Kartisim*" are available on the Religious School page at www.mysinai.org.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Student Signature _____

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STUDENT ENROLLMENT REQUIREMENT FOR BAR/BAT MITZVAH

Please be advised that students who intend to become Bar/Bat Mitzvah at Temple Sinai must enroll in Religious School no later than 3rd grade and be both enrolled in and attending Religious School at the time they become Bar/Bat Mitzvah. (7th or 8th grade)

Welcome...*B'ruchim Haabaim!* to Temple Sinai Religious School. We look forward to getting to know you and your child(ren) as you begin this wonderful lifelong Jewish journey.

At Temple Sinai Religious School, we teach children about Jewish holidays, Jewish values, Jewish history, Israel and Torah. We also provide children with the skills to decode Hebrew and participate in a prayer service. We help the children to acquire the tools that they will need as Jewish adults.

If you have recently joined the temple and your child was not enrolled in grade 3, you must speak with Cantor-Educator Elena Schwartz before your school registration can be accepted. Tutoring is required to make up the Hebrew Language curriculum that was missed. If a student has transferred from another temple, the tutoring requirement may be waived, depending on the grade(s) the student has attended at the other school.

My child, _____, attended Religious School
at _____
for the grade(s): _____

OR

My child, _____, is entering Religious School after grade 3 and has missed required Hebrew Language curriculum. I understand that my child must attend ten (10) tutoring sessions sponsored by the Temple Sinai Religious School, at an additional cost of \$500.

Child's Grade-Fall 2019: _____

Phone number for Parent: _____

Parent's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____



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B'Nei Mitzvah Fee

(payment schedule)

Dear 4th, 5th & 6th Grade Parents,

In response to parent requests, we have updated our payment model to spread out the \$1200 B'Nei Mitzvah fee over the course of several years.

4th Grade families pay \$300 per year x 4 years

5th Grade families pay \$400 per year x 3 years

6th Grade families pay \$600 per year x 2 years

Should you have any questions, please contact our controller, Arlene Zucker at AZucker@mysinai.org.

Families that are planning *B'Nei Mitzvah* services in Israel, but would like to be prepared at Temple Sinai, should contact AStamm@mysinai.org.

Sincerely,

Alison Stamm
Executive Director

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