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APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION 5784-85 (2024-25) SCHOOL YEAR

STUDENT INFORMATION

First Name _____ Last Name _____ Full Hebrew Name _____

HOME ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____

FAMILY INFORMATION

FATHER'S NAME _____ EMAIL _____

WORK PHONE _____ CELL PHONE _____

Complete only if different from student's information:

HOME ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

MOTHER'S NAME _____ EMAIL _____

WORK PHONE _____ CELL PHONE _____

Complete only if different from student's information:

HOME ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

EDUCATION

Please list the name and address of all schools attended (list most recent school first).

_____	_____	_____
School Name	Address	Grades
_____	_____	_____
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_____	_____	_____
School Name	Address	Grades

REFERENCES

Shul with which family is affiliated: _____

Family Rav: _____ Phone Number: _____

Name of Teacher: _____ Phone Number: _____

Name of Teacher: _____ Phone Number: _____

ADDITIONAL FAMILY INFORMATION

Other children in family:

	Name	Age	Grade	School or College Attending
1.	_____	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____	_____	_____
5.	_____	_____	_____	_____

PARENT CERTIFICATION

I hereby apply for admission to Machon Los Angeles for my daughter _____ who will be entering Grade ____ for the 2024-25 school year. I authorize any school attended by my daughter to release to Machon Los Angeles all academic and financial records. I am enclosing a \$60 non-refundable application fee.

We have read the Machon Dress Code and Technology Policy.

Father's Signature

_____/_____/_____
Date

Mother's Signature

_____/_____/_____
Date



DRESS CODE

Aside from enhancing the decorum of the Machon learning experience, our distinguished school uniform reflects the dignity of Bnos Yisroel. A student's appearance must always conform to the Bais Yaakov standard of tznius.

The Bais Yaakov standard of tznius includes covered necklines, covered elbows, skirts fully covering the knees, and legs completely covered. When shopping, care should be taken to ensure that all purchases of clothing, shoes, and accessories not only comply with Halacha, but are also refined in color, style, and design.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

At school, on school trips, and during midterms and finals, students must always be in uniform. This rule is intended to instill unity and simplicity amongst the students and will be strictly enforced. A student not in compliance with Machon's uniform policy is considered unprepared for school and will be marked absent. She will not be allowed into class, may not take a test, and may not join a school trip. Uniform clothes will be made available for purchase (supplies permitting).

In honor of Rosh Chodesh, students may wear their own tops which conform to the guidelines outlined above. Please note: The sweater/top must not have lettering or a logo on it and may not be denim. The collarbone must be fully covered. If necessary, shells will be given out for purchase. The uniform skirt must always be worn.

Skirts – Must fully cover the knees in all positions.

Shirts – The only permitted shirt is the uniform shirt, and it must always be worn. All shirts, including those worn on Rosh Chodesh, must completely cover the collarbone. Sleeves must fully cover the elbows.

Sweaters/Velours – The only garments that may be worn on top of the uniform shirt are the uniform sweaters and velour zip-ups. Sweatshirts, hooded or otherwise, are not permitted. *See Friday and Senior Perks listed below.*

Jackets – When an extra layer of warmth is needed, Machon will be selling Machon fleece jackets. Purchase orders will be taken at the beginning of the year. No other jackets may be worn in class.

Socks – Black tights are the only acceptable hosiery with the shorter uniform skirt. Students who opt for the long uniform skirt may wear solid black knee socks with no embellishments or designs. Short socks may not be worn. Leggings may not be worn.

Shoes – Regular shoes and sneakers may be worn to school, but may not be bright colors. Open-toed shoes, sandals, slippers, crocs, and boots are not allowed.

Hair – Hair longer than shoulder length should be worn in a ponytail. Dyeing and streaking your hair is not consistent with the spirit of the Machon dress code, and is not allowed.

Makeup – Makeup may not be worn in school. Nails should be well-groomed, and have no color, length or extensions.

Jewelry – A second piercing may not be worn to school.

Friday Perks – On Fridays, students may wear any official machon-issued sweatshirt, including Shabbaton, job, and grade sweatshirts over the uniform collared shirt. New sweatshirt designs must be approved by Mrs. Kraft before ordering.

Senior Perks – Senior sweatshirts may be worn every day. They must be approved by Mrs. Kraft before ordering.



STATEMENT ON TECHNOLOGY

During adolescence, children develop their cognitive and decision-making skills. It is the responsibility of parents and educators to provide them with a safe and supervised environment where they can build spiritual muscle and mature into adults with the strength of character necessary for living life as a Jew in modern society.

Notwithstanding the benefits of the Internet, it presents a real danger to our spiritual, mental, and emotional health. The pressures of social media, unlimited screen time, and endless emailing and texting has resulted in reduced in-person interactions, stunted social-emotional growth, and an alarming rise in adolescent anxiety and depression. In particular, the negative effects of smartphone usage on the mental health of teenagers has been well-documented. Teenagers do not need smartphones and parents are encouraged to prohibit them.

Even more tragic is the spiritual devastation wreaked by insufficiently filtered internet access. Frum teenagers can flounder in the veritable mabul of inappropriate music, advertisements, videos, and an “enlightened” worldview that is, to put it mildly, antithetical to Yiddishkeit.

CHINUCH

Knowing how to use the Internet effectively and appropriately is an essential life skill in today's world, one which we train for at Machon through ongoing education, modeling, and real-life experience.

In school, computers will be made available to the students at designated times, exclusively for school-related email, writing assignments, and research. The Internet will be filtered with a firewall and a white list, which means that the computers are only able to access an approved list of websites.

CELL PHONES

While it is for parents to decide whether or not their daughter should have her own cell phone, a dumbphone with texting is undoubtedly more than sufficient for a high school student's communication needs. Texting should be monitored, lest it serve as a diversion or escape from the face-to-face interactions that are so critical for the healthy social-emotional development of our teenagers.

A standard smartphone may not be brought to school or to any school event – even if it has been tagged to Machon standards or stricter. The same applies to all extracurricular activities and trips, as

well as any Machon event after school hours or off campus. A student who violates this policy will have her phone confiscated. *The only phones permitted at school or at school events are the bona fide kosher phones described below.*

Students may bring a kosher flip phone or a kosher smartphone to school. Kosher flip phones can be purchased from the local TAG office. Kosher smartphones can be purchased at koshercell.org or at thekosheros.com. *Only a kosher phone without WhatsApp is acceptable.* (Kosher phones come preloaded with an assortment of apps; be sure to confirm before purchasing that yours does not include WhatsApp.) Other required restrictions are outlined below.

Incoming ninth graders may only carry one of the following three options: 1) A talk/text flip phone purchased at TAG, 2) The FIG phone, 3) In the event that a parent deems it necessary, a smartphone from koshercell.com with the Machon LA app bundle is also acceptable.

At the beginning of the school year all phones will be checked. Phones which are in compliance will be adorned with a 2023-2024 Machon certification sticker.

Students may not carry any type of phone during school hours. Upon arrival at school, students will deposit phones in the front office until the end of the school day. The administration reserves the right to confiscate a phone from a student during school hours.

Smart watches are not permitted at school.

INTERNET SAFETY AT HOME

Torah values can only be instilled effectively when parents and educators are on the same page. If there is a dissonance between home and school, then clarity is lost, and a child's self-identification is in jeopardy. B"H, Machon is blessed with a like-minded parent body that does not take a laissez faire attitude to the threat an internet connection poses to their children.

The responsible parent will restrict and supervise internet usage at home. Any Wi-Fi capable device that belongs to a Machon student should be brought to TAG and have its browsers, stores (app or otherwise), video sharing apps, music streaming apps, social media apps (including WhatsApp), and online multiplayer games blocked. It goes without saying that a shared home computer should be filtered. In addition, we recommend creating a separate user account for your teenager with time limits.

It is unacceptable for a student to join a social media network at any time, including summer break. Violation of this policy is grounds for expulsion.