



## 6<sup>th</sup> grade “Move Up” Ceremony

### Gesherim (Bridges)

6<sup>th</sup> Grade and their Families

*Sunday Morning - 9:30am – Noon*

*Two times per month - once as students only and once as students and their parent(s)*

The word *Gesherim* means *bridges*. As a 6<sup>th</sup> grader, your child is *bridging* the span between childhood and pre-teen. This is a special time for you and your child.

Although 6<sup>th</sup> graders continue to attend mid-week Rimon Hebrew, they will no longer attend the “traditional” Sunday Rimon program. What they *will do* is, along with their families, enter an experience that will lead them to the start of their own future Jewish journey.

Gesherim is a unique program designed to guide you and your child, both separately and together, on a path to Bar/Bat Mitzvah and beyond. Led by a dynamic and experienced educator, your child will meet monthly with their peers. Additionally, students and parent(s) will meet monthly as a group. Each gathering will build upon the important elements of starting the process of Jewish “adulthood”. Experiences will include in-house gatherings, field trips, social action opportunities, and time with Rabbi Rigler and Cantor Marx.

The strand that ties all of this important work together is a personal Torah project. Each family will meet with Rabbi Rigler to be introduced to and seek understanding of your child’s Torah portion for their B’nei Mitzvah. Torah project presentations will be scheduled either mid-year or at the end of the year, depending on the date of their B’nei Mitzvah.