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Dear Parents,

I have prepared a syllabus of my class curricula, and the focuses of each subject. In general, our goal is for the students to come to an understanding of the subject matter, and to gain the skills to further their knowledge in the future.

**5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Grade Chumash**

We will be learning the first part of the Sefer Bamidbar (Book of Numbers). The posukim will be read in class, with focus placed on understanding the content and concepts of each posuk. The students will be taking notes, both on the posuk and on much of Rashi's commentary. Review sheets will be sent home to reinforce the understanding of the posuk. Periodic test will be given, as well as weekly vocabulary lists and tests. The students should make flash cards with which to study for the vocabulary tests.

**6th Navi**

We will be learning the Sefer Shmuel II. The students will be reading the posukim and asked to translate when possible. The students will be required to take notes and will be given tests at the end of each chapter.

**6th Parsha/Yahadus**

Each week we will do an in depth summary of the weekly Torah Portion. The students will be given a set of questions to answer by searching through the posukim and selected Rashis. In addition, as the holidays approach we will review the main themes and laws pertaining to each one.

**7th/8th Grade Mishna**

This year we will be learning the 1<sup>st</sup> half of Ethics of the Sages. The students will read the Mishna and take notes on the meaning and concepts taught. At strong focus will be placed on class participation in discussions and projects aimed at gaining a deeper understanding of the Mishna's lesson, and to enable application of those lessons into our own lives. There will be frequent journal entries and small projects for homework, and tests at the end of each chapter.

I always appreciate having open lines of communication with my student's parents, and welcome phone calls or emails. Please feel free to contact me at any time with comments, concerns and especially kudos!

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