
Parent Handbook

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Welcome to YAYOE

Welcome to the 2021-2022 school year at YAYOE! We are looking forward to a wonderful year of growth, learning, inspiration and joy for each of our students.

We value the trust and confidence you have placed in us as your partners in the educational process, and share with you this handbook within the framework of that partnership. The policies you find here will help us ensure a safe, respectful and courteous environment that supports the development of scholarship, character, and commitment to Torah values that are the hallmarks of our school.

Please review this revised handbook carefully, as many policies have been updated.

Of course, no handbook can take the place of direct and personal contact among parents, faculty and administration. Please consider this your personal invitation to contact us directly if you have any questions. We welcome your feedback!

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School Culture

YAYOE School Mission

The primary goal of our school community is that the cumulative experiences of all students over the years result in enthusiastic and dedicated Torah study and mitzva observance, midos tovos and emotional well-being, along with the prerequisite knowledge to be successful participants in the economic and social life of our society—which we also see as a Torah obligation.. Towards this end, YAYOE strives to instill in its students the knowledge that every person is created in the image of G-d, a lifelong love of learning and a desire to ultimately use their unique gifts to make a contribution to the Jewish People.

As A community we dedicate ourselves to the following:

Core Principles

1. Above all, cause no harm; when in doubt, ask for help.
2. The YAYOE environment is built upon a floor of love, air of encouragement and walls of discipline, all of which support a roof of reverence.
3. We approach life with gratitude, resilience and hard work.
4. Everything important in life is a relationship. There are no shortcuts. Meaningful relationships require respect, patience, consistency, sincerity, and humility.
5. We can encourage others to move forward by being a personal example, inspiration and resource; the only one I can force to change is myself.
6. We are committed to learning and working together in an environment that celebrates individual differences.
7. Learning, sometimes formal, sometimes informal, sometimes intentional and sometimes without intention, happens at every moment and during every interaction.
8. We will strive to balance accepting and expecting, process and product, collaboration and competition.
9. Each day, everyone deserves a chance to shine and a chance to stretch.
10. We will strive to exercise integrity at the moment of choice. Every moment is a new opportunity to choose.

Communication

At YAYOE, we value communication between home and school, and know that children benefit from our close contact. We encourage all families to familiarize themselves with our systems for communication and our support teams to ensure that we are able to communicate effectively throughout the school year.

Parent Locker

Parent Locker is the web-based communications and management platform used within our school. School information will be posted on or emailed from Parent Locker. Parent Locker is used for all communication between school and home. Families are able to access calendars, grades, report cards, important files pertaining to the school and their child(ren), and can find the email contacts for all teachers.

Please make sure your contact information is always up to date. For support using Parent Locker, please contact Rabbi Pollock (ypollock@yayoe.org).

Communication from School to Home

Parents can expect regular communication from the school and from teachers. In addition to the more formal Parent Teacher Conferences, parents may receive phone calls, emails, and classroom newsletters from their child(ren)'s teachers.

Weekly school newsletters are emailed on Fridays and hard copies are distributed to your oldest student.

Communication from Home to School

Our main office staff can be reached at (323) 556-6900 between the hours of 8am and 4:30pm (M-Th) and 8am and 1:45pm (Fri). Please call the office with any general questions, and leave a message for staff members. Please note, peak hours in the office are between 8am-10am and 3pm-4pm. Please make non-urgent phone calls outside of these times.

If you wish to set up a personal appointment with a teacher or administrator, email them directly or through Parent Locker. The staff member will get back to you within 48 hours. Should you have questions or concerns about contacting a teacher or administrator, or to request a team meeting, contact our Parent-Teacher Liaison, Mrs. Robin Goldberg at extension 2408.

For purposes of confidentiality, and to avoid incomplete communications, discussions with teachers and administrators concerning your child are most effectively conducted

in a scheduled appointment. We make every effort not to discuss children informally at school, including during carpool. Most certainly off-campus social or business venues are not the place for such discussions.

Who to contact if you have questions:

DAILY NEEDS

- Front Office: Ms. Dina Zisblatt & Mrs. Jina Eyshi- dzisblatt@yayoe.org, jeyschi@yayoe.org
- Carpool changes: Front Office & PikMyKid
- Hot Lunch: Mrs. Rachel Celnik - platinumcatering1@gmail.com
- After School Enrichment: Mrs. Marty Fox/Dr. Michel Klein - mfox@yayoe.org, mklein@yayoe.org

FINANCE + ADMISSIONS

- Preschool Registration & Admissions: Mrs. Shayna Goldmann & Mrs. Riki Dulitz- sgoldman@yayoe.org, rdulitz@yayoe.org
- Elementary Admissions: Rabbi Yosef Bondi - ybondi@yayoe.org
- Donations, Tuition Payments and Day of Learning Sponsorships: Financial Office & Rabbi Eliezer Eidlitz - mstehrani@yayoe.org or eeidlitz@yayoe.org
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- Campus Events: Platinum Catering - platinumcatering1@gmail.com

Attendance

Regular and punctual attendance is essential for success in school. School starts promptly at 8:15am, with first dismissal at 3:45pm (Yesod-4th grade) and second dismissal at 4:30pm (5th grade-8th grade).

Arriving at school on time

Students will get the most out of their day if they arrive in time to get organized and settled. Attendance is submitted to the front office at 8:15am. **If a student arrives late to the classroom (after 8:15am), the student must check in at the office.** Students who fail to check in with the front office will not appear in the afternoon dismissal program. Parent/carpool drivers will not be able to “announce” a student that is not in the system (see more information about PikmyKid dismissal program in “carpool” section).

If your child is unable to come to school for any reason, parents **must** notify the front office by 8:45am by calling the school at (323) 556-6900 or email jeysi@yayoe.org.

Illness

Students with fevers must stay home from school, and may return after the fever has been gone for 24 hours with no medicine. Students with symptoms (not related to allergies) of runny nose, cough, diarrhea should be kept home. When returning to school after an illness, please contact the front office for readmittance.

Lice

If you discover lice at home, notify the school and do not send child/children to school until they are checked at school and are 100% nit free.

From time to time the school may conduct lice checks; if eggs or live lice are found, children will be sent home. Upon return, children must be checked thoroughly and must be 100% (nit) free to return to school.

Leaving School Early

If a student needs to leave early for an appointment, please let us know by calling the front office. At the time the student needs to leave, the parent should come to the office and sign out the student. If the parent is unable to come to the office, he/she should call the office, the student will then be sent to the Formosa gate, and should wait at the guard gate to be transferred to the parent. No student of any age will be allowed to ‘go home’ early without a parent coming to pick him/her up.

Students returning from an appointment or coming to school late because of an appointment must sign in with the office before going to class.

Carpool

PikMyKid

The unique features of PikMyKid allow you, as parents, to easily change pick up modes, quickly delegate to an alternate individual for pickup, and even schedule future pickup modes. This app allows you to communicate more effectively with the school regarding your child's dismissal and to instantly check your child's dismissal status should you have a question.

The PikMyKid system requires parents and staff to have a device, such as a smartphone, to safely check out students from our care. If you are new to the system, you must visit the appropriate app store and download the PikMyKid app. The registration process is very simple. Watch a how-to video here: <https://player.vimeo.com/video/226681351>. Read more about parent set-up [here](#).

If you do not have a smartphone, you can still register using a computer. Visit the website: <https://www.pikmykid.com/parent-registration/>

Use the PikMyKid app to personalize the pickup plan for each of your children so you can pick up your child in the preferred manner.

The selections you will choose from to create a personalized schedule are:

- Set Pickup Modes

The default pick up mode can now be set in the parent app and does not need to be edited by the school. You can still make daily delegations and changes to pick up modes

- **Car Line** (student will be dismissed when carpool is in the loading line)
- **Formosa Parent Walk-Up** (student will only be dismissed when a parent or delegate announces their arrival on campus)
- **Detroit Parent Walk-Up** (student will only be dismissed when a parent or delegate announces their arrival on campus)
- **Staff Carpool** (student will only be dismissed when a staff member announces they are ready to leave campus)
- **Independent Walker** (student will be dismissed to walk home on his or her own)

- Delegate to Another Person

- Assign another adult to pick up your child

Please watch the video for a complete tutorial. <https://player.vimeo.com/video/226681351>

DROP OFF PROCEDURES

Morning Carpool

The Formosa gate is open daily for morning carpool starting at 8:00 am and is closed at 8:30 am. Students may be dropped off by car, parent at the gate, or independently.

DISMISSAL PROCEDURES

Afternoon Carpool

For 3:45 dismissal (Preschool, Y-4), the Formosa gate is opened starting at 3:30 pm and is closed at 4:00 pm. For 4:30 dismissal (5-8), The Formosa gate is opened starting at 4:20pm and is closed at 4:45pm.

Students may be picked up by car, parent at the gate, or leave campus independently. All classes will be dismissed from their last period classroom.

SAFETY

Traffic

Cars must enter the school campus from Formosa Ave by making a *right* into the carpool line. When exiting the school campus on Detroit Street, only right turns are allowed. During carpool hours, carpools are encouraged to approach any of the school parking lots by traveling westbound on 3rd Street. **Please abide by all parking enforcement signs, and under no circumstances should any car block a neighboring driveway.**

Supervision

Children on campus with parents must be under close parental supervision. The play structure is not open for free play, even with parental supervision. This includes before and after school including during carpool times.

Bicycles + Scooters

Children who ride bikes or scooters to school must have signed parental permission forms on file in the office. (Permission forms may be downloaded from Parent Locker or picked up and returned to office BEFORE the student comes to school on bike or scooter).

Students must wear helmets at all times and must walk their scooters/bikes safely while on campus. Riding bicycles or scooters on campus is not allowed at any time. Skateboards, rollerblades, and motorized scooters are not allowed on the school campus.

Booster Seats

In the interests of carpool safety and efficiency, please make sure that all booster seats and car seats are arranged in their proper places prior to entering the campus carpool lane. Please be sure that you have complied with the California Child Safety Seat Regulations

below. Carpool assistants will not place your child or remove your child from your car if they are not properly restrained.

Current California Law:

- Children under 2 years of age shall ride in a rear-facing car seat unless the child weighs 40 or more pounds OR is 40 or more inches tall. The child shall be secured in a manner that complies with the height and weight limits specified by the manufacturer of the car seat. (California Vehicle Code Section 27360.)
- Children under the age of 8 must be secured in a car seat or booster seat in the back seat.
- Children who are 8 years of age OR have reached 4'9" in height may be secured by a booster seat, but at a minimum must be secured by a safety belt. (California Vehicle Code Section 27363.)
- Passengers who are 16 years of age and over are subject to California's Mandatory Seat Belt law.

School Uniforms

School Uniform Compliance Policy

If a child comes to school wearing a uniform that does not meet the school code, we will provide the child with a correct uniform from our Uniform *Gemach*. This includes style and length of sleeves and hemlines. If girls grades 2–8 come to school with short socks, the office will provide them with knee-highs or tights.

We expect parents to return the borrowed items clean, and supply their child with the appropriate uniform that meets the code.

Approved Vendor Information

Please also note that the YAYOE office maintains a limited uniform and sweatshirt Gemach.

We now have four approved vendors:

Dennis Uniforms:

When ordering from Dennis online, please go to www.Dennisuniform.com and select “Shop Online”. Our school code is: LA00BW.

You can also visit one of their two locations: 2640 North San Fernando Road, Los Angeles, CA 90065 or 6459 DeSoto Ave., Woodland Hills, CA 91367 (corner of Victory Blvd).

Gold Laibel Uniforms:

Gold Laibel sells high quality jumpers and skirts in two styles, both in a slightly darker navy color than other uniform vendors.

Gold Laibel Uniforms: www.GoldLaibelUSA.com, or call Mr. and Mrs. Goldman at 347-232-7661.

Land’s End Uniforms:

Land’s End online at www.landsend.com , select “School Uniforms”, and use preferred school code: 900076886.

Fraylich Uniforms:

Fraylich, a New York vendor, services other schools in the community. Custom sizes are available for an additional charge. Skirt lengths are appropriate in most cases without alterations.

Girls’ jumpers for grades Yesod – 4, girls’ skirts for grades 5–8, and velour sweatshirts for junior high girls in grades 6–8, may be purchased from them.

Fraylich uniforms are available online at www.fraylichschooluniforms.com or contact them by

phone at (718) 871-8253.

School Uniform Policy for Girls

Girls, Yesod-1st Grade:

- *Shirt*: Light blue oxford or light blue polo shirt, $\frac{3}{4}$ sleeve or long sleeve.
- *Jumper*: Navy blue jumper "Plus 4" from Dennis Uniform, Fraylich, Gold Laibel or Land's End (see vendor information, above).
- *Sweatshirt*: Choose from the following:
 1. Land's End navy zip-up hooded uniform sweatshirt with the school logo
 2. Land's End navy pullover sweatshirt with the school logo
 3. A solid navy zip-up sweatshirt **without any** kind of design or writing.
- *Socks*: White, black, or navy socks, knee-high or ankle-high; or white, navy, or black tights. Leggings are not permitted.
- *Shoes*: Solid black, navy or white only. Socks must be worn at all times. Sandals are not allowed. Boots may be worn on rainy days **only**.
- *Hair*: Hair must be pulled back and tied with a pony holder. If hair is too short for a full pony, then a half pony or headband is sufficient.
- Nail polish and makeup are not allowed.
- On *Rosh Chodesh*, girls have the option of wearing a white polo shirt.
- Coats and jackets without wording or media characters may be worn in cold or rainy weather to the yeshiva, but may not be worn in the classroom.

Girls, 2nd-4th Grades:

- *Shirt*: Light blue oxford or light blue polo shirt, $\frac{3}{4}$ sleeve or long sleeve.
- *Jumper*: Navy blue jumper or shift "Plus 4" from Dennis Uniform, Gold Laibel, or Fraylich Uniform (see vendor information, above).

*Knees must be covered in all positions, therefore, skirt length must reach at least 2" below the bottom of the knee. Allow room for growth during the year.

- *Sweatshirt*: Choose from the following:
 - 1) Land's End navy zip-up hooded uniform sweatshirt with the school logo
 - 2) Land's End navy pullover sweatshirt with the school logo
 - 3) A solid navy zip-up sweatshirt **without any** kind of design or writing.
- *Socks*: White, black, or navy knee highs or tights. Legs must be fully covered at all times, with no gaps between leg covering and bottom of skirt. Leggings are **not** permitted.

- *Shoes*: Solid black, navy or white only. Sandals are not allowed. Boots may be worn on rainy days **only**.
- *Hair*: Hair must be pulled back and tied with a pony holder. If hair is too short for a full pony, then a half pony or headband is sufficient.
- Nail polish and makeup are not allowed.
- On *Rosh Chodesh*, girls have the option of wearing a white polo shirt.
- Coats and jackets without words or media characters may be worn in cold or rainy weather to the yeshiva, but may not be worn in the classroom.

Girls, 5th Grade:

- *Shirt*: Light blue oxford or light blue, long-sleeve three-button polo without logos, frilled collars, or any other designs. The collar bone must be covered at all times, either with closed buttons, or with a navy, black or white shell only. The shell may not extend below the polo shirt.
- *Skirt*: Girls in 5th Grade may choose from the current Dennis "Plus 4" navy box-pleat skirt, or Gold Laibel's stitched-down pleat skirt.

*Knees must be covered in all positions, therefore, skirt length must reach at least 2" below the bottom of the knee. Allow room for growth during the year.

- *Jumper (if you choose)*: Navy blue jumper or shift "Plus 4" from Dennis Uniform, Gold Laibel, or Fraylich Uniform (see vendor information, above).
- *Sweatshirt*: Choose from the following:
 1. Land's End navy zip-up hooded uniform sweatshirt with the school logo
 2. Land's End navy pullover sweatshirt with the school logo
 3. Gold Label velour zip-up school sweatshirt with the school logo
 4. A solid navy blue, zip-up sweatshirt **without any** kind of design or writing.
- *Socks*: Legs must be fully covered at all times, with no gaps between leg covering and bottom of skirt. White, black, or navy knee highs or tights only. Leggings are **not** permitted.
- *Shoes*: Solid black, navy or white only. Sandals are not allowed. Boots may be worn on rainy days **only**.
- *Hair*: Hair must be pulled back and tied with a pony holder. If hair is too short for a full pony, then a half pony or headband is sufficient.
- Nail polish and makeup are not allowed.
- On *Rosh Chodesh*, girls have the option of wearing a white polo shirt.

- Coats and jackets without wording or media characters may be worn in cold or rainy weather to the yeshiva, but may not be worn in the classroom.

Girls, Junior High 6th – 8th Grades:

- *Shirt*: Light blue oxford or light blue long-sleeve three-button polo without logos, frilled collars, or any other designs. The collar bone must be covered at all times, either with closed buttons, or with a navy, black or white shell only. The shell may not extend below the polo shirt.
- *Skirt*: Junior High girls may choose from the Dennis “Plus 4” navy box pleat skirt, the Land’s End navy knife-pleat style, or Gold Label’s stitched-down pleat skirt.

*Knees must be covered in all positions, therefore, skirt length must reach at least 2” below the bottom of the knee. Allow room for growth during the year.

- *Sweatshirt or Sweater*: Choose from the following:
 - 1) Land’s End navy zip-up hooded uniform sweatshirt with the school logo
 - 2) Land’s End navy pullover uniform sweatshirt with the school logo
 - 3) Gold Label velour zip-up school sweatshirt
 - 4) A **solid navy** zip-up sweatshirt without any kind of design, writing or logo.
- *Hosiery*: Opaque black or navy tights only. Leggings are **not** permitted.
- *Shoes*: Closed-toe flat solid black, navy or white only. Sandals are not allowed. Boots may be worn on rainy days **only**.
- *Hair*: Hair must be pulled back and tied with a pony holder. If hair is too short for a full pony, then a half pony or headband is sufficient.
- No nail polish, makeup or hair dye.
- Coats and jackets may be worn in cold or rainy weather to the yeshiva, but may not be worn in the classroom.

School Uniform Policy for Boys

Special Uniform Note for All Boys:

- Boots (without designs) may be worn on rainy days only.
- Coats and jackets without designs may be worn in cold or rainy weather to the

yeshiva. Only the official YAYOE sweatshirts and sweaters may be worn inside the classrooms.

- Additionally, boys may wear a solid navy blue zip-up sweatshirt without any kind of design or writing.

Boys, Yesod – 5th Grades:

- *Shirt:* Boys may wear either a three-button short-sleeve or long-sleeve white polo shirt, or a long-sleeve turtleneck shirt.
- *Pants:* Navy blue uniform pants from Dennis Uniform, Land's End, or Gold Laibel. No cargo pants or other types of pants of any kind.
- *Belt:* Boys wear a black belt.
- *Sweatshirt or Vest:* Yesod-5th grade boys are expected to wear school-approved uniform sweatshirts with the school logo from Land's End. There is also an option for a navy vest, available through Land's End. ▸ Additionally, boys may wear a solid navy blue zip-up sweatshirt without any kind of design or writing on it.
- *Socks:* Boys may wear white, navy or black solid crew-length socks. No designs are permitted. Ankle length socks are not acceptable.
- *Shoes:* All boys must wear solid black shoes without designs.
- *Tzitzis:* *Tzitzis* must be worn at all times.
- *Yarmulka/Kippah:* Velvet *yarmulkas* with no cartoon designs.

Boys, 6th Grade:

- *Shirt:* White dress shirt (Shabbos shirt) that must be tucked in at all times except during P.E. and recess.
- *Pants:* Navy blue or black uniform pants from Dennis Uniform, Land's End, or Gold Laibel. No cargo pants or other types of pants of any kind.
- *Socks:* Boys may wear white, navy or black solid crew-length socks. No designs are permitted. Ankle length socks are not acceptable.
- *Shoes:* All boys must wear solid black shoes without designs.
- *Tzitzis:* *Tzitzis* must be worn at all times.
- *Yarmulka/Kippah:* Velvet *yarmulkas* with no designs.

Boys, 7th – 8th Grades:

- *Shirt:* White dress shirt (Shabbos shirt) that must be tucked in at all times except during P.E. and recess.

- *Pants*: Navy blue or black uniform pants from Dennis Uniform, Land's End, or Gold Laibel. No cargo pants or other types of pants of any kind.
- *Socks*: 7th and 8th grade boys may wear navy or black solid crew-length socks. No designs are permitted. Ankle length socks are not acceptable.
- *Shoes*: All boys must wear solid black shoes without designs.
- *Tzitzis*: *Tzitzis* must be worn at all times.
- *Yarmulka/Kippah*: Black velvet *yarmulkas* with no designs.
- *Jacket*: Suit jackets must be worn for *davening*.
- *Hat*: Post-bar mitzvah boys must wear black hats for *davening*.

Food Policy

Kashrus

Food that is meant to be shared with your child's classmates for any occasion (including permitted birthday parties in school as well as home parties), may not be prepared at home (cooked, baked, cut, chopped, etc.). Purchase food with reliable *hechsherim* only. Baked goods, whether packaged or purchased from a school-approved bakery, must be *cholov Yisroel*, if dairy.

As there are *Kashrus* changes daily, it is important to check if your items have the proper Kosher status. For *kashrus* product updates, go to Rabbi Eidlitz's website: www.kosherquest.org.

Please discourage your child from sharing food at school.

Snacks

Please send appropriate amounts of healthy lunch foods and snacks for your child to have two snacks each day.

Water

All of our water fountains have filtered water and bottle filler spouts. Please make sure to send your child to school with either a disposable or refillable water bottle. Please make sure that refillable bottles have your child's name on it.

Lunch

Please provide lunch for your child daily, using the following options:

1. Lunch from home. Please label lunchboxes and reusable containers.
2. **Hot lunch program** We offer a hot lunch program at reasonable prices. You will receive information about how to order ahead and what options are open on a daily basis.

Birthday Parties

Birthdays are celebrated in school every Rosh Chodesh on a class-wide basis. Please do not bring any food items without first speaking to your child's Rebbe or Mechaneches.

For birthday parties away from school, please consider the feelings of all classmates when making your invitation list. We encourage home birthday parties to include the entire class.

If your party will involve a “theme” of any type, it must be approved by a school administrator.

Videos may not be shown at birthday parties

Please be sure that any outside entertainment is in line with Torah values and modest in scope.

Simcha Planning

Please inform the Yeshiva ahead of time when you are planning your child's bar or bas mitzvah, *upsheren* or other special *simcha*. We would like to help you avoid unnecessary conflict with someone else's *simcha*.

Parents must consult with Rabbi Goldberg before planning their son's Bar Mitzva celebration to be sure it is in line with the hashkafa of the Yeshiva. Bas Mitzvas are celebrated yearly in a class Bas Mitzva Chagiga. Private Bas Mitzva celebrations may not include class members.

Digital Media & Devices

By choosing YAYOE for your child you are investing in providing him or her with an enriched Torah environment. Negating that environment at home through the use of inappropriate digital media (which is almost all of it) is counterproductive, negative, confusing, and can have long-term impact on your child's physical, intellectual, social, emotional, and spiritual well-being. **At home, parents should never leave their children unattended on the internet, even when an internet filter is in place.**

Email + Social Media

We highly recommend limiting email access to joint use of a parent's email account.

YAYOE students are not allowed to maintain accounts on any of the social networking sites such as Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, YouTube TikTok, etc.

TV + Movies

Discussion of any television, movie, or other popular culture topics is not allowed in our Yeshiva at any time.

If your child is going to view a DVD, please screen these movies carefully. Even G-rated movies contain violence, innuendos, and language that while acceptable to the popular culture may not be acceptable for yeshiva students.

Books and Music

Choose your children's books carefully, even from the library. The secular culture does not employ the same standards that we believe are important when choosing healthy and wholesome literature for our children to read.

Secular music videos and songs that are easily available for downloading and sharing contain inappropriate content. Monitor your child's choice of music carefully.

Please feel free to reach out to our Limudei Kodesh Administration and Staff for ideas about healthy Torah options for literature and music.

Personal Electronic Devices

No electronic devices, including phones of any type, cameras, electronic games, radios, MP3 devices, motorized cars, etc. may be brought to school. Possession of a smartphone on campus will result in confiscation of the phone, suspension and possible expulsion.

There is no reason for any YAYOE student to possess a smartphone Ipad, Itouch or

similar device. If you feel your child must have these, please have the integrity to enroll your child in a different school. If we become aware that your children have such a device at home, we will help you to find a different school for them to attend.

At this point in their lives, children are learning how to communicate and socialize in an appropriate manner. Therefore, even on a locked down family iPad, for example, allowing your children to use it to “chat” with their classmates is highly detrimental to their social development. If the device is not locked down and not properly supervised, then it is not only detrimental, but destructive. We highly recommend adding a home phone line for your children to use to communicate with their classmates through the good, old fashioned, spoken word.

Scrip

The Scrip Program generates significant revenue for our Yeshiva at no cost to you. Please familiarize yourself with the many scrip opportunities and use scrip often. Information on the scrip program is available through the finance office (sbaalhaness@yayoe.org or extension 2435) and will be sent to you via email periodically throughout the year.

Each family is expected to generate a specific amount of money for the Yeshiva through the Scrip program. If the obligation is not met, the Scrip check will be deposited at the end of the school year. Please contact Mrs. Baalhaness at extension 2435 for details or at sbaalhaness@yayoe.org.