



July 19, 2021

Dear Members:

This letter contains important updated information about High Holiday seats. We have held off sending this letter and form until we had clarification on any current seating restrictions for this year. Therefore, we request that you complete the seating form and respond within two weeks of receiving this letter and form and not later than the deadline date of Thursday, August 5. We understand that your plans may not be firm and may change, however we would prefer that you send us your current understanding and update us if any changes occur. And of course, if COVID guidelines are changed by Montgomery County, State of Maryland, or the CDC, we will act appropriately.

We will, B"H, hold High Holiday services for 2021 as follows: Ashkenazi services will be in the Belonofsky Sanctuary and the Social Hall. The Sephardic Minyan will hold services in the Franco Family Beis Medresh in the Arcola Building. Nusach Sefard services are tentatively planned if there is sufficient interest received in time for proper arrangements to be made.

In order to purchase seats for the Holidays, Members and Associate Members must be current in financial obligations including the payment of past seats and past year's dues. Members may purchase seats for themselves and their immediate family only.

Adult family members living in the local area must be YISE members in order to obtain seats at member prices. Payment for all requested seats is due with the enclosed request form.

Statements of your obligations as of July 1 were mailed or sent via email. You may call the Synagogue during business hours or send an e-mail to simi@yise.org for information on your account. The bookkeeper will contact you within a few days. Only the President or the Treasurer may make arrangements for deferred payment. If you cannot afford the listed price for seats, please contact the Shul President or Treasurer to make alternate arrangements. This request and information is kept confidential.

Seat prices are as follows:

	Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur			One Holiday Only		
	Members	Associate Members	Non-Members	Members	Associate Members	Non-Members
Adults	\$105	\$130	\$145	\$70	\$85	\$100
Students*	\$ 85	\$105	\$125	\$55	\$70	\$ 85
Children**	\$ 45	\$ 60	\$ 80	\$30	\$40	\$ 55

* Students are ages 13 to 18 and college and yeshiva students

** Children are ages 6 to 12

Information on baby sitting and youth services for children under 6 will be mailed later.

Honors are available for the Yomim Tovim; please indicate any interest on the reverse of the seat request form.

Please see the other side of this letter for information on the procedure for requesting seats and the deadline dates. We look forward to having you join us.

Sincerely,

High Holiday Seating Committee

(Please see other side)

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REQUESTING AND ASSIGNING SEATS - 2021

- * ALL SEAT REQUESTS MUST BE ON THE ENCLOSED FORM WITH PAYMENT ENCLOSED. Payment may be by check or Credit Card. Please include your Credit Card information on the back of the form or on an attached note. This information will be blacked out as soon as the bookkeeper records it. You may also call Simi at the Shul office (301-593-4465 ext. 403) to supply the appropriate information.
- * The seating form is also available on the YISE website at www.yise.org/seats
- * The form should be sent to the Shul office or can be completed on line and sent via e-mail as an attachment to Seats@yise.org. Do *not* include credit card details when sending requests via e-mail. Please contact the Shul office as noted above and supply that information via phone.
- * **The deadline to reserve seats to which you hold the rights from 2019 is Thursday, August 5, 2021**
- * Contact the committee if you have questions about your reserved seats. Members of the committee will be in the Social Hall lobby on Sunday, August 1, between 10 A.M. and 12 Noon to accept and assist in completing forms.
- * **If you have not reserved your seats by August 5, they may be assigned to someone else.** Please do not expect a reminder call from the seating committee.
- * Requests for new or additional seats will be processed beginning August 15.
- * Only the committee can assign seats. The Synagogue office staff can accept requests, but cannot assign seats. It is preferred that you complete all the information on the form yourself to ensure accuracy and to save time for the office staff,
- * Seat information will not be available until after August 18. Seat assignments will be mailed to all seat holders about a week before Rosh Hashanah.

RIGHTS TO SEATS

- * A full member purchasing a High Holiday seat for full price (adult, student or child as appropriate) entitles the member to use the seat for this year and to purchase the same seat for the following year (except for seats designated as current year only). Associate members do not have seat retention rights. Priority for seats is given to full members, followed by associate members and then non-members.
- * A member who purchases a High Holiday seat and decides not to use it that year may not sell or give away the seat on his own.
- * A member with rights to a seat who will not be using it for the current year may retain the rights to that seat by paying one-third (1/3) of the current adult price for a maximum of two consecutive years. For 2021 the amount is \$35. If after those two years, that member does not use the seat, rights to that seat are lost. If you plan to retain the rights to the seat(s) as referred to above, please advise the committee by indicating on the reverse of the seat reservation form.