

RUJEC is one of those "best of both worlds" kind of places. They've built an engaging preschool program that sends kids to kindergarten confident and prepared, and they've somehow done it with all the warmth and comfort of a big family and a second home. My youngest is almost done, and I can't believe how much I'm going to miss it there.

– Stephanie Siebert

TUITION AND FEES

A deposit of one month's tuition is due on May 1, 2023. For your convenience, we will accept 9 additional payments to be set up in the synagogue office using a credit card. The first payment will be due on July 1, 2023. Subsequent payments will be charged on or around the 5th of each month. Checks are also accepted.

Families who are not members of Congregation Sha'are Shalom must also pay a \$100.00 Building Fund Fee per family. It is due along with the first tuition payment. Members must be in good standing to qualify for member rates. A 5% discount is available for the tuition of second and subsequent children.

A \$150 Registration Fee per child must be included with the application. This fee is non-refundable unless the school is unable to enroll your child by September 2023. Please make your check out to Congregation Sha'are Shalom.

To register, please fill out the application form (available on the website) and return it along with your registration fee to the address on the form.

Congregation Sha'are Shalom blends tradition with innovation and is affiliated with the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism. The synagogue serves the entire family through religious services, education for children and adults, programs for interfaith families, and social events.



To meet the educational needs of our youngest members, Congregation Sha'are Shalom offers an enriching experience at the Rosie Uran Jewish Education Center (RUJEC). It is our belief that education is the foundation of a child's life, and that Jewish education should be the cornerstone for Jewish children. Our program offers children a quality Jewish education in a stimulating, nurturing and secure environment.

Our daughter is in her second year at RUJEC and we already know our other two kids will be attending. Not being Jewish, we didn't seek out a Jewish school, but we are so lucky to have found it and could not imagine a more welcoming environment for our child and our family. I love that it is play-based education and that the school and teachers are flexible, encouraging the children to explore their interests. We take comfort knowing our child is happy and thriving at this safe and loving school.

– Ginny Ackermann



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PROGRAM OFFERINGS

Two-Year-Olds

3 Days: W/Th/F 9 am to 12 noon (no lunch)
 3 Days: W/Th/F 9 am to 1 pm

This class is open to children two years old on or before September 30, 2023.

A busy two-year-old needs time to explore, interact, experiment or just watch. This class is ideal for the child just beginning to develop a sense of autonomy and independence in a group setting. We lay the foundation for a strong Jewish identity by learning blessings and hearing Torah stories. Free play, art, music, and hands-on learning are combined with positive and nurturing social guidance.



Three- and Four-Year-Olds

4 Days: T/W/Th/F 9 am to 1 pm

Three- and four-year-olds are ready to accept new challenges. We continue exploring Jewish traditions and customs. Activities are designed to enhance fine and gross motor skills, increase verbal communication and the ability to understand and demonstrate positive social skills like sharing and taking turns. We will focus on preparing each child for future education, balancing skills such as name writing and letter recognition with helping the children express themselves and interact positively with others. Our goal is to equip each child with the confidence and skills for a successful school career and lifelong love of Jewish learning.



3 Day/Week Annual Cost: \$3,710
 (2's only)
 9 am to 12 noon
 No lunch

3 Day/Week Annual Cost: \$4,485
 (2's only)
 9 am to 1 pm

4 Day/Week Annual Cost: \$5,980
 (3's and 4's)
 9 am to 1 pm



RUJEC takes an integrated approach to the education of Jewish children. Our goal is to offer programs that promote all aspects of children's development and Jewish identity, enabling them to reach their fullest potential cognitively, emotionally and socially. We provide a wide variety of materials and experiences. The children are given time to explore and discover. This supports independent thinking, creativity, and problem solving. Positive reinforcement is stressed with emphasis on self-direction and self-discipline.

Our program offers a rich introduction to Judaism. The curriculum, which is designed and taught by a professionally trained staff, meets the developmental needs of each individual child. Jewish values are reflected in everything we teach. The children experience the richness of Jewish tradition as they sing Hebrew songs, learn the many blessings, hear Torah stories and celebrate Shabbat and holidays.

This is our third year entrusting RUJEC with our twins, one of whom is disabled. The environment is filled with warmth, compassion and kindness, all of which are passed along to the children. Each class year has special teachers in unique ways and they are all caring and patient. We could not have found a better place to foster inclusion and give us a community to be part of. Best decision we made for our kids.
 – Carolyn Anderson

We welcome visits to our classrooms by you and your child. Please call 703-737-0686 to make an appointment.

My daughter wakes up every day asking if she can go to school and I wish she could! After three years, she has grown in every way imaginable. It is the perfect preschool environment to foster learning, exploring, and growing. RUJEC feels like a part of our family and we are forever grateful to have found it.
 – Caitlin Miller