



On behalf of the Yachad Religious School I am delighted to welcome you and your child for the 2021-2022 academic year. We are looking forward, with excitement, to continuing to provide transformative education to our students, families, and the entire Yachad community! **Whether you chose to be involved in online learning, opted to use your time in a different way during COVID, or are just ready to begin at the school, we can't wait to have you join us!**

This past year has been both challenging and exciting as we watched the resilience of our students, families and teachers navigate the COVID-19 world. Our learning style changed, but our Jewish connections to life and each other were reinforced during our times together. Past roles were blurred, with students both learning from teachers and helping teachers better understand the technology glitches that happened. And, while we may not have learned what we initially desired from the sea of Jewish knowledge we swam in a different part of the water, viewing our lives through a Jewish lens each time we met.

As we continue to monitor the COVID situation, it is our plan to move forward for IN PERSON LEARNING in the fall as long as it is safe. All students and teachers will be required to wear masks. We cannot wait to hear the sounds of student's voices in our halls and classrooms!

We feel so fortunate to be stewards of your child's Jewish education and identity building and look forward to a wonderful year ahead! If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 248.967.4023 or by email at yachad@emanuel-mich.org.

Warmly,

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