



KEHILLAH JEWISH HIGH SCHOOL

School Profile 2021-2022

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Our Story

Kehillah Jewish High School is distinguished by an exceptional academic program in a supportive environment that pairs rich traditions with the best of the Silicon Valley mindset. At Kehillah, students embark on a journey of self-discovery guided by a community of passionate educators. They graduate with the knowledge, values, and community that enable them to create extraordinary futures.

School Background and Location

Kehillah Jewish High School is an independent Jewish high school that welcomes a diversity of students from both public and private schools. Located in the heart of Silicon Valley, our Palo Alto location allows us to welcome students from as far north as Burlingame, as far south as Morgan Hill, and as far east as Pleasant Hill. Our campus offers state-of-the-art physics, chemistry, and biology labs, a laboratory for engineering arts, music and art studios, a "black-box" theatre, and an exceptional gym and athletic facility. Average classroom size is 12 students. Kehillah is fully accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges and by the California Association of Independent Schools.

Graduation Requirements

In order to graduate from Kehillah, students must complete the following requirements:

English (4 years)	History (3 years)
Mathematics (3 years)	World Languages (2 years)
Science (3 years)	Jewish Studies (4 years)
9 th – 11 th graders must take at least 7 courses; 12 th graders must take at least 6 courses.	

Grading System and Class Rank

- Grade point average (GPA) is calculated on the basis of all courses taken at Kehillah, except Physical Education and Directed Studies. Courses taken outside of Kehillah are not included in the cumulative GPA.
- GPA is cumulative. Honors and Advanced Placement courses receive a weight of +1.
- Consistent with Kehillah's commitment to a supportive academic environment that values all of our students, Kehillah does not rank students nor award academic distinctions.

OUR FOUR COMMITMENTS

- 1 | Everyone counts.
- 2 | Everyone has equal access to great learning.
- 3 | Everyone's unique talents are valued equally.
- 4 | We take responsibility for ourselves, our learning, and our community.

Student Life

Kehillah provides many leadership opportunities and a robust program of extra-curricular sports and activities. Student Activities: Architecture Club, Rambassadors, Bridge Club, Women in Science Club, Biology Club, The 3900 (student newspaper), Gardening Club, Fun and Games Club, Debate Team, Chess Club, Screenwriting Club, Creative Coding Club, Video Production Club, Kindness Club, Debate Club, GSA (Gender Sexuality Alliance), Model UN, Yearbook, Jewish Life Committee, and MishMosh.

Athletics

Basketball, Volleyball, Soccer, Tennis, Cross Country, Swimming, Baseball, and Track.

Academic Profile of the Class of 2022: 40 Students

		Mean	
GPA Unweighted		3.61	
GPA Weighted		3.87	
Class of	#of Students	SAT	ACT
2020	53	1257.94	31.52
2021*	42	1341.43	31.4
2022**	40	N/A	N/A

*Less than 20% of the Senior class took standardized tests due to COVID-19

**Insufficient data to report due to COVID19

Courses Offered 2021-2022

English
4 years required
Required Courses:
English 9
English 10 or
English 10 H
English 11 or AP Engl Lang & Comp
English 12
Elective or AP Engl. Lit & Comp

English 12 Electives:
Yiddish Literature (cross-listed with JS)
Contemporary Jewish Lit (cross-listed w/JS)
Utopias & Dystopias
Banned Books
Creative Writing: Short Fiction
Civil Rights Movement through Lit
Comedy & Satire

History/Social Studies

3 years required
Required Courses:
World History
World History 2
US History or AP US History

Senior Electives:

AP Psychology
AP US Government & Politics
Introduction to
Economics
Women's Studies

Math
3 years required
Algebra I
Algebra 2/Trigonometry or
Algebra 2/Trig H
Geometry
Precalculus or
Precalculus H
AP Calculus AB
AP Calculus BC
AP Statistics
Linear Algebra*
(offered every other year, Multivariable Calculus offered alternate years)

Engineering Arts

Electives
Computer Science and Coding
Engineering 1
Engineering 2
AP Computer Science
Adv. Algorithms* (req. Comp Sci & AP Calc AB)

Science

3 years required
Required Courses:
Biology
Chemistry or Chemistry H

11th & 12th grade options:
Human Anatomy and Physiology
Introduction to Astronomy
Marine Biology
Physics or Physics H
AP Biology

AP Chemistry
AP Physics C: Mechanics Biology

Jewish Studies

4 years required
Contemporary Israel
Contemporary Jewish Lit (cross-listed w/ English)
**Great Debates of the Talmud (w/ Hebrew option-see below)
History of the Jewish Diaspora
Holocaust and Society
Holocaust Historical Perspectives
Introduction to Jewish Studies 101
Introduction to Jewish Art & Vision
Introduction to Comparative Religions
Jewish Cinema
Jewish Leadership
Jewish Monsters, Magic, and Superstition
Jews & the Early American Experience
Kabbalah and Human Personality
**Medieval Jewish Thought (w/ Hebrew option see below)
Monsters & Magic: Jewish Folklore
Nationalism
Prophets & Politicians
Self & Other in Jewish Thought
Theology, Ritual, & Theater
From Slavery To Sinai
Warriors & Prophets: Biblical Women
Yiddish Literature (cross-listed w/ English)

****Jewish Studies Hebrew Intensives (Level 3 Hebrew required)**
JS HI Great Debates in the Talmud
JS HI Medieval Jewish Thought

****Jewish Studies Hebrew Courses (Basic Hebrew required)**
JS H Great Debates in the Talmud
JS H Medieval Jewish Thought

Languages

2 years required
Spanish:
Spanish 1
Spanish 2 or Spanish 2 H
Spanish 3 or Spanish 3 H
Spanish 4 or Spanish 4 H
AP Spanish Language & Culture
AP Spanish Literature & Culture

French: (being phased out)

French 2
French 3 Honors
French 4 Honors
AP French

Latin:

Latin 1
Latin 2
Latin 3
Latin 4
AP Latin

Hebrew:

Hebrew 1

Hebrew 2
Hebrew 3 or Hebrew 3 H
Hebrew 4 or Hebrew 4 H
Hebrew 5 or Hebrew 5 H
Hebrew 6 Honors
*Israeli Law and Society
(*highest level offered in Hebrew)

Visual and Performing Arts

3 years required
Visual Arts:
Intro to Illustration
Advanced Art Making
Digital Design
Digital Design
Publication Design
Digital Photography
Photography 2
Senior Studio Art
AP Studio Art

Performing Arts:

Acoustic Guitar-Family Ensemble 1
Acoustic Guitar-Family Ensemble 2
Beginning Digital Music Jazz/Rock Ensemble
Music Theory and Composition 1
Music Theory and Composition 2
AP Music Theory
Beyond AP Music Theory

Physical Education

Physical Training

Directed Studies

9th - 12th grades

Post-Secondary Summary—Kehillah College Matriculation Class of 2021 & 2022

Alma College	Drew University	Northeastern University	Syracuse University	University of Portland
American University	Drexel University	Northern Arizona University	Temple University	University of Puget Sound
Arizona State University	Duke University	Notre Dame de Namur University	Texas Christian University	University of Redlands
Ball State University	Eckerd College	Nova Southeastern University	Texas Woman's University	University of Rhode Island
Bard College	Elon University	NYU Shanghai	The Evergreen State College	University of Richmond
Barnard College	Embry-Riddle	Oberlin College	The George Washington University	University of Rochester
Belmont University	Emerson College	Occidental College	The New School	University of San Diego
Beloit College	Emory University	Oregon State University	The Ohio State University	University of San Francisco
Bennington College	Fairleigh Dickinson University	Pace University	The University of Alabama	University of Southern California
Berklee College of Music	Florida Institute of Technology	Pacific Lutheran University	The University of Arizona	University of the Pacific
Birmingham-Southern College	Foothill College	Pacific University	The University of Tampa	University of Toronto
Birmingham City University	Fordham University	Pennsylvania State University	Trinity College	University of Utah
Boston College	Gavilan College	Pepperdine University	Tufts University	University of Vermont
Boston University	George Washington University	Pitzer College	Tulane University	University of Victoria
Brandeis University	Georgetown University	Portland State University	Union University	University of Virginia
Brown University	Georgia Institute of Technology	Pratt Institute	University of Alaska Anchorage	University of Washington
Bryant University	Gettysburg College	Princeton University	University of British Columbia	University of Wisconsin
Bryn Mawr College	Grinnell College	Purdue University	University of British Columbia - Okanagan Campus	Ursinus College
Bucknell University	Goucher College	Quest University Canada	UC Berkeley	Vanderbilt University
Butler University	Hamilton College	Quinnipiac University	UC Davis	Vassar College
California Lutheran University	Haverford College	Reed College	UC Irvine	Villanova University
Cal Maritime	Hawaii Pacific University	Regis University	UC Los Angeles	Wake Forest University
Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo	Hillsdale College	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	UC Merced	Washington State University
Cal Poly, Pomona	Hofstra University	Rhodes College	UC Riverside	Washington University, St. Louis
Clarkson University	Howard University	Rochester Institute of Technology	UC Santa Diego	Wellesley College
College of William & Mary	Humboldt State University	Rodger Williams University	UC Santa Barbara	Wentworth Institute of Technology
CSU Channel Islands	Ithaca College	Rollins College	UC Santa Cruz	Wesleyan University
CSU Chico	Jewish Theological Seminary of America	Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology	University of Chicago	West Valley College
CSU East Bay	Juniata College	Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama	University of Colorado at Boulder	Western Michigan University
CSU Fresno	Kenyon College	Saint Mary's College of California	University of Connecticut	Western New England University
CSU Fullerton	Lafayette College	San Diego State University	University of Delaware	Western Oregon University
CSU Monterey Bay	Lawrence University	San Francisco State University	University of Denver	Western Washington University
CSU Northridge	Lehigh University	San Jose State University	University of Hartford	Wheaton College MA
CSU San Marcos	Lewis & Clark College	Santa Clara University	University of Hawaii at Hilo	Whittier College
CSU Stanislaus	Lindenwood University	Sarah Lawrence College	University of Hawaii at Manoa	WHU-Otto Beisheim School of Management
Carleton College	Linfield College	Savannah College of Art & Design	University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign	Willamette University
Carnegie Mellon University	Louisiana State University	Scripps College	University of Kansas	Winona State University
Case Western Reserve University	Loyola Marymount University	Seattle University	University of La Verne	Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Centre College	Loyola University Chicago	Seton Hall University	University of London - Royal Central School of Speech and Drama	Xavier University
Chapman University	Loyola University New Orleans	Sewanee	University of Maine	Yale University
Clark University	Maconalester College	Simon Fraser University	University of Maryland, College Park	
Colgate University	Marist College	Skidmore College	UMass, Dartmouth	
College of Charleston	Marquette University	Smith College	UMass, Amherst	
Colorado College	Maryland Institute College of Art	Sonoma State University	University of Miami	
Colorado State University	Massachusetts College of Art & Design	Southern Methodist University	University of Michigan	
Columbia University	McGill University	Southern Oregon University	University of Minnesota, Twin Cities	
Connecticut College	Miami University, Oxford	Southwestern University	University of Nevada, Reno	
Cornell College	Michigan State University	Springfield College	University of New England	
Cornell University	Mills College	St. John's College	University of Oregon	
Cornish College of the Arts	Montana State University	St. John's University	University of Pennsylvania	
Creighton University	Mount Holyoke College	St. Olaf College	University of Pittsburgh	
Dartmouth College	Muhlenberg College	Stanford University		
De Anza College	New College of Florida	SUNY - Brockport		
Deep Springs College	New York University	SUNY - Buffalo		
DePaul University		SUNY - Purchase College		
Dominican University of California				
Drake University				

Gap Year Programs:

India
Israel
Spain
Southeast Asia
United States

- 96% of students attend 4-year colleges.
- 4% of students attend a 2-year college, join the IDF or take a gap year.