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Dear Parents:

We are already looking forward to the 2012-13 school year at Bet Shraga Hebrew Academy! In addition to our returning parents, we look forward to welcoming the new families who will be joining our school community in the coming year. Enclosed please find enrollment contract(s) for your child(ren) for the upcoming school year.

Under the leadership of our Administration, our Faculty continues to provide excellence in education with nurturing personal connection to our children. As a parent of two HACD graduates and knowing so many of our graduates in past years, I can truly attest to how well our children are prepared academically and to their maturity, values and character as young Jewish individuals transitioning to high school and the larger community. We see this continue into their academic placement and accomplishments at college and beyond.

Our diverse families are the essence of our *one* school community and the success of our school as a community depends on your involvement and care. Whether this is simply welcoming new families, creating social time, participating in our school events, volunteering in support of our Parent Organization or participating in the committees and lay governance, we collectively create the environment for our children to learn and thrive and be positively impacted by our HACD educational experience.

We want to bring to your attention a restructuring of our tuition schedule. In response to parent feedback and with good sense, we are simplifying by consolidating **all** past fees into **one** tuition, except building fund and special trips for middle school students.

Enrollment deposits, enrollment fees, application fees and yearbook/Bonim are now included in the tuition. For those families who wish to solicit ads to meet their yearbook/Bonim obligation, ads will still be due by December 31. Once ad payments are received, you will receive a credit and adjustments will be made to your account.

In this new tuition schedule, there will be a \$1,000 deposit per family upon submitting the enrollment contract/s. This will be credited toward your tuition obligation. Additionally, we are now offering a multi-student discount of 12% for the second and subsequent siblings for families with multiple children enrolled.

Although the now consolidated tuition has the appearance of a larger number than in the past, the total tuition continues to be a very modest increase from last year, very much in line with past years. Our tuition continues to be less than other area private schools, as we prioritize affordability and accessibility for the families of our Jewish community.

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Maintaining this access and affordability creates a gap between tuition revenues and the full cost of providing an HACD education. Although we are fortunate to be generously supported by an annual grant allocation from our Jewish Federation, and have some endowment income, the remaining gap must be met through our annual fundraising campaign. We are grateful to all those who give, in effort and dollars, to sustain our school and our mission.

Please let us know if you have questions or concerns that we can answer or clarify. Thank you all for being a part of the HACD family and partnering with us in the education of your children and the support of your Jewish family life.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ira Zackon', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Ira Zackon  
President, Board of Trustees