

Earning Ruach Credit

We all know that this school year will fly by quickly, so the PJCC Parent Keshet thought you'd appreciate some helpful ideas to enable you to fulfill your annual Ruach commitment.

What is Ruach?

Ruach means "spirit" in Hebrew. The PJCC Preschool depends on the spirit of giving. As outlined in the PJCC preschool contract, all families must make a \$100-value Ruach contribution.

How can I earn Ruach credit?

Although PJCC Preschool prefers donations of your time, you can make a monetary donation if it's easier for your family. Your contributions can be made up of credits earned by making one, or a combination, of the following donations:

Donate your time – Earn \$10.00 per hour credit by working on Preschool or PJCC-related activities such as being a Room Parent, helping in the classroom, going on field trips, helping with fundraisers. You can calculate your volunteer time specifically if you have helped on any of the following events:

Ongoing-

- Class Room Parent – acts as a liaison between the teacher and other class parents. Also attends monthly Parent Keshet Meetings, and reports on committee business and information to fellow class parents.
- Yad B'Yad Class Representative – Yad B'Yad ("Hand to Hand") is an outreach committee of the PJCC Preschool that provides support to families experiencing major life cycle events. The individual class representatives coordinate assistance and support for families within their class.

Register for eScrip: You can have up to 9% of your purchases donated to the PJCC when you register for eScrip and use your grocery loyalty card, debit/ATM cards, and credit cards at Macy's and participating merchants. The PJCC's group number is 130169295. There is no fee to register. For details, visit www.eScrip.com.

Make a cash donation: You can fulfill your entire \$100-value Ruach contribution with cash, or contribute the remaining amount after you make any of the above donations. For example, you can spend 5 hours helping with fundraisers and then donate \$50 in cash. Some companies even match these donations, so inquire at your place of employment.

Donate supplies: You can donate new books, including books from the February Book Fair, and toys to the PJCC Library or your child's classroom. Make copies of your receipts and attach them to your worksheet.

What do I do when I've completed my Ruach contribution?

Whenever you have fulfilled your Ruach contribution, fill out the Ruach worksheet (enclosed in your Parent Handbook) and return it to the Preschool Office. We will be happy to give you a tax donation receipt for monetary donations or donations of goods. The deadline for completing your Ruach contribution is May 15th. You will receive an acknowledgement.

Your donations and cooperation are so appreciated!!

Peninsula Jewish Community Center Ruach Credit Worksheet

Please list donations of time or supplies to the best of your ability. As a non-profit organization, we are audited for volunteer hours each year. Ten hours of time or \$100 in donations per family is an obligation stated on our contract. Your support of our Early Childhood Education Program is so appreciated.

Please note your donations to the best of your ability. It is an honor system and we honor your thoughtfulness and generosity. Thank you!

1. **Donations of your time to the classroom or fundraiser**, equivalent to \$10 per hour:

Description of Service	Date	# of Hours

Subtotal Hours: # _____

2. **eScrip Rebates:** (You will be notified quarterly of totals or can check on line)

Total Monthly Rebates: \$ _____

3. **Donations of Supplies and Books to the Preschool:**

Description:

Cost/Value: \$ _____

4. **Cash Donations:**

Subtotal: \$ _____

5. **Total Ruach Credit:**

\$ _____

Please Print: Child's Name _____

Teacher _____

Parent Signature _____ Date: _____

Worksheet or \$100.00 donation is due in Preschool Office by May 15th.
Thank you for your volunteer efforts, donations and support!