

As our community and congregation continue to grow and change, Temple Beth Ami will do our best to meet those needs. To that end we have changed the requirements to become a Bar/Bat Mitzvah.

In order to become a Bar/Bat Mitzvah at Temple Beth Ami students and their families will now need to meet the following criteria:

- a) Be a member in good standing (See By-laws)
- b) Attend at least 3 consecutive years of Judaica Classes at TBA, between grades 4 and 7.
- c) Pass a Hebrew Reading proficiency test and a Judaica Knowledge assessment.
- d) Attend a full year of Bar/Bat Mitzvah Readiness. Depending on the date of the event, students may need to take this class in 6th grade.
- e) Attend individual tutoring of Torah Portion and any additional parts of the service.
- f) Participate in an approved Mitzvah project

We are aware that if your child is in 6th or 7th grade, they will not be able to meet the second requirement. Please note: We are no longer able to rent out the sanctuary and Rabbi for children who have not been enrolled in our school.

If there are special circumstances that make it burdensome to complete these requirements, please discuss the situation with the Rabbi or Education Director. If there are financial challenges, contact the executive board ([president@templebethami.org](mailto:president@templebethami.org))

We are committed to giving each child in our community the opportunity to study and celebrate his/her heritage. Please know we will make every effort within our capabilities to meet the special needs of any child and/or family