Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok

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TITLE IX

Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok does not discriminate on the basis of sex in the education program or activity that it operates, in compliance with all applications under Title IX. This requirement not to discriminate extends to employment. Inquiries about the application of Title IX may be referred to Yeshiva Be'er Yitzchok's Title IX Coordinator, to the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights of the Department of Education, or both.

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A NOTE FROM THE ROSH YESHIVA

Dear Student,

Welcome to Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok! The Yeshiva, an institute for advanced Torah study, stresses individual growth through specific mentoring: the spiritual side of education is enhanced by intellectual achievement. Thus, here you will discover a complete course of study resulting in a completed *Ben Torah*.

This catalog may be your first introduction to Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok. Please take the time to read through it carefully. The best way to understand the vibrancy of our program, however, is to visit our campus. We are proud of our facilities, proud of our faculty, and (most of all!) proud of our students. We maintain strictly limited class sizes to maximize the student/teacher interaction.

Feel free to contact our office or myself with any questions that may arise about the college or its programs. Of course, we would love to show you around our campus, should you decide to visit.

With our very best wishes,

Rabbi Avrohom Schulman Rosh Yeshiva

OUR BACKGROUND

Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok started in 1999. The yeshiva was built with the aim of integrating students who are intimidated by the large size of the regional Talmudic colleges and want a quality educational experience in a small package. Additionally, Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok focuses on students whose learning methodologies are more nuanced, and who require additional teacher/student interaction in order to thrive.

Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok is a hospitable institution, providing an environment for every student to excel in achieving academic excellence.

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok is to provide an advanced education in Talmud, Jewish law, Ethical Behavior and Torah utilizing the European yeshiva model in a non-competitive, warm environment. Activities that support our mission are as follows:

- To provide an advanced education in Talmud, Jewish Law, Ethical Behavior and Torah.
- To teach each student how to independently learn, thus paving the way for a lifetime of unlimited learning.
- To maximize the potential of each student, while recognizing that every student provides a new challenge to our educational capabilities.
- To provide the academic foundation necessary for those students who wish to choose a Torah-oriented career.

And, most of all:

• To provide the framework necessary to live a Torah lifestyle.

ADMISSIONS POLICY

Generally, students applying to Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok must meet one of the following requirements:

1. Have graduated high school and provide evidence of high school graduation

2. Have completed homeschooling at the secondary level as defined by state law and provide documentation of homeschooling

- 3. Have been homeschooled and provide documentation of homeschooling
- 4. Meet one of the recognized equivalents. Recognized equivalents include:
 - a. GED/TASC/HiSET
 - b. Successful completion of an associate's degree program;

c. Successful completion of at least 60 semester or trimester credit hours or 72 quarter credit hours that does not result in the awarding of an associate's degree, but that is acceptable for full credit toward a bachelor's degree at any institution; or

d. Enrollment in a bachelor's degree program where at least 60 semester or trimester credit hours or 72 quarter credit hours have been successfully completed, including credit hours transferred into the bachelor's degree program.

Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok does not utilize an Ability to Benefit test for admitting students.

The first step in the application process is to arrange for a personal interview. At the time of the interview, a member of the faculty will administer a thorough examination in Talmudic studies. The admissions office will also request transcripts of previous advanced study in other institutions and recommendations from faculty members at their previous schools of attendance.

The selection of applicants will be based upon their intellectual ability, academic preparation and personal ethical development. If accepted for enrollment, the applicant will then be asked to complete an admission form.

Admission to Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok is open to male members of the Orthodox Jewish faith without regard to color, race, national origin, or handicap.

In order to initiate the application process, we encourage qualified students to write to Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok at:

Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok 1391 North Ave Elizabeth, NJ 07208

TRANSFER CREDIT POLICY

Credits may be granted, at the discretion of the Yeshiva, for courses taken at another postsecondary institution of Talmudic Studies, providing the following stipulations are met:

- The credits transferred must be based on course work similar in content, style and academic rigor to the one offered at the Yeshiva.
- The student must have achieved a grade that would have enabled him to pass a similar course at the Yeshiva.
- All credits must be properly documented.
- Transfer credits accepted are counted towards the number of attempted credits and the number of credits earned by the student

Knowledge and experiences and prior enrollment in courses related to the field of Talmudic Studies may be eligible for credit for prior learning experience and is assessed at the time the student is admitted to Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok.

Decisions regarding transfer credits are subject to the same appeals process described below.

HEALTH CONSIDERATIONS AND SERVICES

In order to maintain the health of all students, new students must provide documentation demonstrating their full compliance with applicable New Jersey state laws regarding vaccinations. These include measles, mumps, rubella, hepatitis, and meningococcal disease immunizations. Additionally, we expect all students to have a current health insurance policy, and to provide documentation demonstrating such.

Should a situation warrant its use, the Yeshiva has a first aid kit on campus. For a medical emergency, Hatzolah of Elizabeth is summoned. Additionally, one of the volunteer Hatzolah members, Dr. Nathan Zemel, is a frequent presence in the Yeshiva and can provide his services, if needed.

COUNSELING

Students at Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok enjoy a close relationship with the Rosh Yeshiva, Rabbi Schulman. Any student who has a need to discuss a problem may approach him for counseling.

OUR CAMPUS

Main Campus – Elizabeth, New Jersey

Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok is located at 1391 North Avenue, Elizabeth, NJ. Our building is leased from the Jewish Education Center (JEC) of Elizabeth, headed by Rabbi Elazar Teitz. This building includes classrooms, study hall, and dining facilities. This facility is handicapped accessible.

Also part of our Elizabeth, NJ campus is our location at 830 Stanton Avenue. Facilities include classrooms, a study hall, and dining facilities. While these facilities are not fully accessible to handicapped students, Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok will make special arrangements, within reason, to accommodate any qualified handicapped student.

Students must arrange their own dormitory/housing arrangements.

Additional location – Lakewood, New Jersey

The Yeshiva offers some courses, including intensive Halacha courses at an additional location site, 20 Capitol Lane, in Lakewood, NJ. The building is on Pine Street, off Route 9 South, in an area that has recently become the home to hundreds of Lakewood families. The building houses the full range of facilities and amenities that students require, and is completely stocked with seforim and reference material that support the portion of the educational program offered.

There are accessibility ramps and accessibility features built into the building.

LIBRARY

Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok houses three libraries. One, in the main study hall, serves as the main library and contains all the works of Talmudic literature and related items that are generally necessary for the students. Another contains a wide selection of applicable works. Both these libraries are open all day, every day, for use by students, faculty, and visitors.

The third library is a reference library. It contains an eclectic collection of works, some of them rare, in addition to reference works on tractates not currently being studied. A large section of the library is a permanent loan from the collection of Rabbi P. Teitz, previous rabbi of the Elizabeth community. We acknowledge the efforts of the Teitz family in making this important collection available to our students.

This library is also accessible to faculty and students, and is generally open from 9 AM to 10:30 PM.

TEXTBOOK INFORMATION

Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok offers a highly specialized program of study in Talmud and related subjects. All textbooks are readily available for use on open stacks in the study hall and school library. Students who wish to purchase their own copies of the texts studied may purchase them on their own.

Many students prefer to have their own Gemarah, Kovetz Miforshim, and Shaarei Teshuva, which cost between \$35 and \$55 each, depending on the publisher and edition. Most texts used in the program are reprints of the Talmud and other classical texts that do not have ISBN numbers.

STUDENT LIFE

The students are provided with three hot, nutritious, and delicious meals of varied menus daily. With local conveniences a short walk away, students have access to a grocery store, cleaners, post office, and bank during their free time. Aside from the Yeshiva's intense learning schedule, students are also involved in the community, learning with neighborhood individuals during legal holidays and with local teenagers at night.

The perpetual overall warm atmosphere is a hallmark at Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok. However, on certain days it is highlighted.

With Shabbos arrives a special spirit in the Yeshiva, with a feeling of cohesiveness, augmented by the presence of one or more staff members and their families. Together, students and Rebbeim enjoy an uplifting festive meal, coupled with singing and exceptional camaraderie, followed by a learning session in which all are involved.

At the beginning of the summer season, faculty members and students are treated to a weekend retreat at the picturesque Lake Forest site in the Catskill Mountains. The healthy change of atmosphere adds a refreshing element to the yearly curriculum. In the Catskill Mountains too, Shabbos comes alive with meals that include singing, divrei Torah and a feeling of unity that forges lifelong significant memories.

In addition to this, the Rosh Yeshiva, Rabbi Schulman coordinates an exciting week-long midsummer retreat in Montreal, Canada. A relaxing getaway, this excursion presents an opportunity to learn while relaxing and unwinding in the country-like surroundings. Students swim, play basketball, and enjoy each other's company.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR

For the current academic calendar, please refer to the yearly supplement of the catalog.

LICENSURE AND ACCREDITATION

NJ STATE LICENSURE

Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok is licensed by the Office of the Secretary of Higher Education of New Jersey to offer a Bachelor of Talmudic Studies Degree. We are currently petitioning the state to offer an Associate of Talmudic Studies Degree and an Associate of Classical Torah Studies Degree.

ACCREDITATION

Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok is accredited by the Association of Institutions of Jewish Studies (AIJS), and approved to offer a Bachelor of Talmudic Studies Degree, and is applying for accreditation to offer an Associate of Talmudic Studies Degree and an Associate of Classical Torah Studies Degree (pending state licensure). AIJS is recognized by the United States Department of Education as an accrediting agency and is located at 500 W. Kennedy Boulevard, Lakewood, NJ 08701. Their telephone number is 732-363-7330.

Copies of the NJ licensure letter and letter of accreditation can be viewed in the office during regular business hours.

TUITION AND FEES 2023-2024

For the current schedule of tuition and fees, please refer to the yearly supplement of the catalog.

FINANCIAL AID

Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok utilizes the services of Higher Education Compliance and Management, a financial aid consulting firm with many years of experience in the field. Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok offers a variety of federal and state financial aid programs to its students. Higher Education Compliance and Management oversees the administration of the programs.

Any student who has difficulty in meeting his educational costs at Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok should contact Rabbi Yisroel M. Glustein, Financial Aid Administrator to learn about the options available to him. These may include grants, scholarships, work study programs and deferred payment plans.

The financial aid office, which is open during regular business hours, will make a determination as to the expected amount to be paid by the student and his family, and will evaluate what federal and state aid, if any, may be available to him.

Financial aid packages that may be offered to students include grants and work study jobs. The school may also offer financial assistance in the form of institutional scholarships to needy students as long as scholarship funds are available. Eligibility for federal programs is determined by an evaluation of the student's financial need, based strictly on the formulas developed by the Department of Education.

A student's financial need is determined by subtracting the contributions expected from the student and his parents from the total cost of education. The total financial aid awarded to a student, usually cannot exceed the student's need. This process is explained in greater detail below.

In order to qualify for federal financial aid programs, a student must:

- be enrolled in an eligible program;
- be a U.S. citizen, or eligible non-citizen;
- utilize all assistance funds for education-related expenses;
- maintain satisfactory progress toward completion of a program of study;
- be a high school graduate or have the recognized equivalent;
- complete a FAFSA and sign the certification statement that he does not owe a refund to any Title IV program, and is not in default on any Title IV loan..

APPLYING FOR FINANCIAL AID

To apply for financial aid, a prospective student should complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). This form is available at the financial aid office. Alternatively, the student can submit his application through FAFSA on the Web at <u>https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa</u>.

Students may be required to supply additional documentation, such as a Verification Worksheet and/or Tax Returns/IRS Tax Transcripts to verify the information reported on the FAFSA.

Awards are made for one academic year at a time, and are not automatically renewable. Students must reapply each year before the appropriate deadline.

FINANCIAL AID NEED

Title IV federal program eligibility is based on a process called Needs Analysis. The following is a brief explanation of Needs Analysis.

First, a determination is made as to whether the students are independent or dependent on their parents. There are several factors that are taken into account. Students should carefully read the FAFSA and its instructions. Should the students have questions determining their status, the financial aid staff can provide further explanation.

The students themselves are expected to contribute towards their education, using their income and assets. The students' assets (such as savings) are generally considered to be available for the purpose of their education and are expected to be divided among their years of post-secondary education. Allowances are made for expenses such as living allowance based on family size and the number of children in college.

If the student is determined to be dependent on his parents, a parental contribution is assessed. This is the amount that the parents are expected to pay, based on their income and available assets. Allowances are made for expenses such as living allowance based on family size and the number of children in college.

The parental contribution, where applicable, is added to the student contribution, to yield the Expected Family Contribution (EFC). Expenses beyond those listed above may be considered under a process known as Professional Judgment. This process can be initiated by parent or student request after the student's initial eligibility has been determined. Then, the students and/or parents would submit documentation of unusual circumstances, such as significant change in income or loss of employment, death/disability/divorce/separation of a parent, tuition paid for siblings, or unusual medical expenses. These expenses can be taken into account by the financial aid staff to produce an adjusted EFC.

The student's budget or cost of education is calculated based on tuition and fees plus a standard allowance for living expenses, which depends on whether the student lives on campus, with his parents, or has other arrangements. The EFC is then subtracted from the student's total budget. The result is known as the student's "need".

APPLICATION DEADLINE

While applications for Pell Grants may be processed until June 30, 2024, students may be required to submit their application earlier, as the application must be processed while the student is still enrolled. Students are urged to submit their applications as early as possible. Late submissions may delay the processing of a student's application. More important, the funds for

some programs are limited and will be distributed with priority given to those students who submit their application in a timely fashion.

Only in some situations can a student update of may be required to update certain types of information that they have entered on their application, i.e. dependency status, household size, and number of family members enrolled in post-secondary education. Be sure to discuss any such changes with the financial aid office.

FEDERAL AID PROGRAMS

The Federal Pell Grant Program provides grants to undergraduate students. These grants do not have to be repaid. This program is an "entitlement" which means that each eligible student who attends an eligible institution and applies on time may receive a Federal Pell Grant. The maximum grant for a fully eligible student is \$7395 per award year, which is 100% of the scheduled award. The amount that each student is eligible for is based on the EFC generated by a federally mandated formula.

Financial aid disbursements in the federal Pell Grant Program are scheduled at the beginning of each semester, provided that all paperwork has been submitted and is complete. A student generally receives half of his scheduled award during the first semester and the second half during the second semester. Students whose paperwork is completed during the second semester may be paid retroactively for the first semester.

With the availability of Year-Round Pell, students can receive Federal Pell Grant funds for up to 150% of their Pell Grant Scheduled Award for an award year. An eligible student may now receive a Federal Pell Grant for the summer semester, even if he received 100% of his scheduled Federal Pell Grant award during the fall and spring semesters. To be eligible for the additional Pell Grant funds, the student must meet all general eligibility requirements to receive financial aid for the payment period and must be enrolled at least half time (six credits) in the payment period.

Students whose paper work is completed during the second or third semester may be paid retroactively for previous semesters in the same academic year.

The amount of Federal Pell Grant funds a student may receive over his lifetime is limited by federal law to 600%. If a student's lifetime eligibility used (LEU) equals 600%, the student may no longer receive Pell Grant funding.

Payments from the Federal Pell Program will either be made by credit to the student's tuition account or by direct disbursement to the student. Students will be informed in writing of the

expected amount of these payments. Students may inspect their tuition records during regular business hours at the business office.

The Campus-Based Programs are a group of programs funded under Title IV. The campusbased programs in which the institution participates are:

- FSEOG Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants
- FWS Federal Work Study

In these programs, fixed sums are allocated to each school based on its size and other factors. The institution then analyzes the need of all eligible financial aid applicants whose paperwork is completed in a timely manner, and determines an equitable distribution of the funds available in a process known as "packaging." Students who apply after the initial packaging deadlines, (as posted in school), may be too late to receive any funds from these programs.

The Federal Supplemental Education Opportunity Grant is a Campus-Based grant program available to undergraduate students. Awards, when available, can range from \$100 to \$4,000.

Financial aid disbursements in the FSEOG Program are scheduled at the beginning of each semester, provided that all paperwork has been submitted and is complete. A student generally receives one half of his scheduled award during the first semester and the second half during the second semester. Students who complete their paperwork during the second semester may be paid retroactively for the first semester. However, students should keep in mind the strong likelihood that there may be limited FESOG funds available by that time. FSEOG must be packaged while the student is enrolled.

Payments from the FSEOG program will be made by credit to the student's tuition account. Generally, the funds are matched 25% non-federal funds to 75% federal funds. However, if in a particular academic year the institution is granted a waiver of the institutional share requirement, the institution may choose not to provide the institutional match. Students will be informed of the expected amounts of these payments, and may inspect their tuition records during regular hours at the business office.

The Federal Work Study Program is an employment program. Funds are allocated to schools as part of the campus-based programs as explained above. Eligible students are offered part-time employment. The financial aid office, in consultation with the faculty, determines if a student is eligible for employment, based on his ability to fulfill his academic responsibilities with the added burden of employment. Employment is also contingent on student qualifications for the positions available.

Federal Work Study disbursements are in the form of payrolls, distributed monthly during the duration of the student's work schedule. FWS funds will be paid to the student. Generally, the funds are matched 25% institutional funds to 75% federal funds. However, if in a particular academic year the institution is granted a waiver of the institutional share requirement, the institution may choose not to provide the institutional match.

TAG

The Tuition Aid Grant (TAG) Program provides eligible undergraduate students who are New Jersey residents with grants to enable them to pay tuition and other educational costs for attendance at Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok.

New applicants for the TAG Program must submit their Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by September 15, 2023 to be considered for fall and spring awards. New applicants who apply by February 15, 2024 will be considered for spring awards only. Renewal applications for TAG for fall and spring awards must be submitted by April 15, 2023. Renewal applicants who apply by February 15, 2024 will be considered for spring awards only.

The New Jersey Alternative Financial Aid Application allows New Jersey Dreamers enrolled in eligible New Jersey colleges and universities to apply for state financial aid.

Complete this application if you are not a United States citizen or eligible noncitizen and meet all of the following criteria:

• Attended a New Jersey high school for at least three (3) years

• Graduated from a New Jersey high school or received the equivalent of a high school diploma in New Jersey

• Are able to file an affidavit stating that you have filed an application to legalize your immigration status or will file an application as soon you are eligible to do so

Additional information regarding the TAG Program is available from the financial aid office.

Payments from the TAG Program will be made by credit to the student's tuition account. Generally, one half of the TAG grant is paid at the beginning of each semester. Students may inspect their tuition records at the business office during regular business hours.

STUDENT LOANS

The Federal Direct Loan program offers loans to students, which must be paid back with interest, to help cover their education related expenses. There are two categories of direct loans, subsidized, where the government pays the interest that accrues while the student is in school and

unsubsidized, where the student is responsible for the interest that accrues while he is in school. Loans are only given to students who demonstrate willingness to repay. Direct PLUS loans are unsubsidized direct loans which are given to the parents of an eligible student who would like to help pay for the student's expenses in this manner. Although the school is eligible to participate in the federal loan programs, the school discourages students and parents from taking out loans. The school encourages its students to apply for the federal, state, and institutional financial aid grant programs before considering the option of student loans and makes every effort to assist students with their direct educational needs. Students who are considering taking out loans should contact the financial aid office for a detailed list of eligibility requirements, available loan amounts, and sample repayment schedules.

INSTITUTIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Institutional scholarships may be available to students who have exhausted all other avenues of assistance and are still unable to pay their direct educational charges.

The family is expected to contribute towards the student's education, based upon their ability to pay, as determined by formulae explained above. Students who apply for other types of financial aid will automatically be considered for institutional scholarships. Those who do not apply to other programs may contact the financial aid office to apply for institutional scholarships.

WITHDRAWAL, INSTITUTIONAL REFUND, AND RETURN TO TITLE IV POLICIES

For the current refund and withdrawal policies, please refer to the yearly supplement of the catalog.

ACADEMIC REGULATIONS

SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS POLICY (SAP)

All matriculated students pursuing an approved program at Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok are required to maintain satisfactory academic progress toward graduation, which in this institution is defined as being in good academic standing as detailed below.

The SAP standards required for students receiving Title IV federal financial aid are the same for all matriculated students at Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok. Satisfactory academic progress at Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok has two principal components: a qualitative standard and a quantitative standard:

At the end of each semester, a report is generated which indicates whether or not each student is meeting SAP requirements. If a student is readmitted to the school the student's academic file is evaluated to determine if the student is meeting satisfactory academic progress requirements.

• Qualitative Standard

In pursuit of graduation, the student must achieve a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 (the equivalent of a "C" average) or better. Each student is evaluated at the end of each semester and is expected to maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0.

Semester grade point averages will be calculated according to the following numerical equivalents:

А	4.0	С	2.0
A-	3.7	C-	1.7
B+	3.3	D	1.0
В	3.0	W	not included in calculation of GPA
B-	2.7	Ι	not included in calculation of GPA
C+	2.3	F	0.0

The GPA is established by multiplying the grade point equivalent of each course by the number of credits it yields. The products of each course are then added together. The sum is then divided by the total number of credits earned in the semester.

Credit hours with a grade of Incomplete and Withdrawn are not included in the determination of the grade point average. Credit hours with a grade of fail, whether or not the Fail is earned or unearned are included in the determination of the grade point average. If a student receives failing grades for all of his courses, the Registrar will determine whether or not the student completed the semester.

• Quantitative Standard

> Maximum Timeframe – measured in credit hours

Students must make sufficient progress through the academic program to complete the program with a maximum attempted credit ceiling equivalent to 150% of the published length of the program in credit hours.

Pace of Completion

A student must earn 67% of his cumulative attempted credits. Every semester, each student is evaluated to see if he has successfully earned 67% of his cumulative attempted credits. The student's cumulative earned credits are divided by the student's cumulative attempted credits to

determine if the student is progressing through the academic program at a pace sufficient to complete the program within the maximum time frame. If the number of credits earned divided by the number of credits attempted is 67% or greater, he is determined to be meeting the quantitative standard.

WHEN SAP IS NOT MET

WARNING

If a student falls below the SAP standards, he will be notified that he is being given a warning period which will last one semester. The student will also be notified that he has the option of appealing his lack of satisfactory academic progress at any point. During the warning period, a designated faculty member may counsel the student and assist the student to improve his performance. The student may be provided with various student services that might include tutoring, scheduling accommodation, or other academic assistance. If, after this warning period SAP standards are still not met, he will be subject to academic discipline which may include expulsion or suspension from the institution.

Federal Financial Aid Warning

For continued eligibility for federal financial aid programs, if a student falls below the satisfactory progress standards, he will be given a period of financial aid warning during which time he maintains federal financial aid eligibility. The warning period will last for one semester. During the federal financial aid warning period, the student will receive the counseling described above. If, after this federal financial aid warning period, satisfactory progress standards are still not met, the student will be notified that he will no longer be eligible for financial aid. The student will also be notified that he has the option of appealing his lack of satisfactory academic progress in order to be granted a probationary period.

APPEALS PROCESS, MITIGATING CIRCUMSTANCES

A student may appeal the institution's determination that he is not making satisfactory academic progress. Basis for appeal include the death of a relative, an injury or illness of the student, or other special circumstances. The student must submit the appeal in writing to the administrative office. In the appeal, the student must describe why he failed to make satisfactory academic progress, and what has changed in his situation that will allow him to demonstrate satisfactory academic progress at the next evaluation. The senior faculty member will consider all information provided by the student and will consult with faculty members, as appropriate. If it is determined that the appeal should be accepted, then the senior faculty member will determine whether or not the student will be able to meet the standard SAP requirements of the institution by the end of a

one semester probationary period. If it is determined that the student will be able to meet the standard SAP requirements after the probationary period, the student will be placed on academic probation as described below. If it is determined that the student will be able to meet the standard SAP requirements of the institution by the end of the probationary period with a customized study plan, then the student will be placed on academic probation with a study plan, as described below.

If the appeal is accepted, the student will be granted a semester of academic probation or academic probation with a study plan, as described below. If the appeal is not accepted, the student will be subject to academic discipline, which may include expulsion or suspension from the institution. He will also be ineligible for federal financial aid until he reestablishes eligibility as described below in the section entitled "Reinstatement." The final decision (denial of appeal, academic probation, or academic probation with a study plan) will be conveyed to the student in writing.

ACADEMIC PROBATION

If after the period of warning, a student is still not making SAP and successfully appeals the lack of SAP, and it is determined that the student will be able to meet the standard SAP requirements after a probationary period, the student will be placed on academic probation. The period of academic probation is one semester during which the student has the opportunity to attempt to meet the SAP standards of the institution. The student can request counseling to assist him to improve his performance. In addition, the student may request to be provided with various student services that might include tutoring, scheduling accommodation, or other academic assistance.

ACADEMIC PROBATION WITH A STUDY PLAN

If after the period of warning, a student is still not making SAP and successfully appeals the lack of SAP, and it is determined that the student will not be able to meet the standard SAP requirements after a probationary period, the student will be placed on academic probation with a study plan. For a student on academic probation with a study plan, a senior faculty member will develop a study plan in conjunction with the student and other faculty, as needed. The study plan will include a customized plan for the SAP standards (as well as other academic provisions to assist the student in meeting those standards) that ensures that the student is able to meet the school's satisfactory progress standards by a specific time, though an academic plan could take the student all the way through successful program completion.

REEVALUATION AFTER A PROBATIONARY PERIOD

At the end of the probationary period, the student's satisfactory academic progress will be reevaluated. If the student is now meeting the standard SAP requirements of the institution, or is meeting the SAP standards of his study plan, he will be considered as meeting satisfactory academic progress. If, after the period of probation, the student's academic performance still fails to meet the academic progress standards of the institution, or the provisions of his study plan, he will be subject to academic discipline which may include expulsion or suspension from the institution, and he will be ineligible to receive Title IV federal financial aid.

REINSTATEMENT FOR FEDERAL FINANCIAL AID

A student who became ineligible for federal financial aid because he was not meeting satisfactory academic progress standards, has the opportunity to reestablish eligibility. Eligibility is reestablished by meeting institutional SAP standards. The financial aid office will receive notification of each student's status at the start of each semester, and the student will be notified that he may once again receive aid from the Title IV programs.

INCOMPLETES

If a student has not completed all required course work for a particular course, he may have additional time (up to six months), at the discretion of the instructor, to complete the work. A grade of incomplete will only be assigned with a documented plan from the instructor detailing course work that must be completed. In the interim, those course grades are marked as incomplete. Courses in which a student receives a grade of incomplete are not included in the GPA as long as the Incomplete remains on the transcript. The courses marked incomplete are included in the student's number of credits attempted but not credits completed. A grade of incomplete will be replaced with a grade at the conclusion of the period of time given for the work to be completed.

WITHDRAWALS FROM A COURSE

A student who withdraws from a course(s) will have the course recorded as Withdrawn. This grade will not be counted in the student's GPA. However, the course(s) will be counted towards the student's number of credits attempted but not completed.

TRANSFER CREDITS AND SATISFACTORY PROGRESS

Transfer credits are not included in the GPA calculation; however, they are counted toward both the number of attempted credits and the number of credits earned by the student.

REPETITIONS

All repeated courses are counted in the number of the student's attempted credits.

For determination of a student's enrollment status, if a student is repeating a course in which he received a passing grade, for the purpose of grade improvement, it is counted towards his enrollment status only the first time the course is retaken. If a student is repeating a course in which he received a failing grade, it is counted towards his enrollment status for as many times as he is repeating that course in an attempt to pass.

A student repeating a course must remain within the time frame required for satisfactory academic progress standards.

CHANGE OF MAJOR

All credits attempted are included in making a student's SAP determination, regardless of any subsequent changes in major, if applicable.

ESL/NONCREDIT REMEDIAL COURSES

Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok does not offer any ESL or non-credit remedial courses.

GRADING POINT SYSTEM

The grading of academic performance followed at Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok is based on a combination of criteria. These include a careful evaluation by the faculty of the student's growth in learning based on firsthand interaction with the student, the student's participation and contribution to the Shiur, progress in Chavrusa study, oral exams and overall Hasmoda.

The following letter grades are used at Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok, even though the grades themselves are only a proxy measure of the student's quality of work:

А	4.0	C-	1.7
A-	3.7	D	1.0
B+	3.3	W	not included in calculation of GPA
В	3.0	Ι	not included in calculation of GPA
B-	2.7	F	0.0
C+	2.3		
С	2.0		

The GPA is established by multiplying the grade point equivalent of each course by the number of credits it yields. The products of each course are then added together. The sum is then divided by the total number of credits earned in the semester.

Credit hours with a grade of Incomplete and Withdrawn are not included in the determination of the grade point average. Credit hours with a grade of fail, whether or not the Fail is earned or unearned, are included in the determination of the grade point average.

Sample GPA Calculation:

A-	6 (credits)	Х	3.7	= 22.2
B+	4 (credits)	Х	3.3	= 13.2
С	1 (credits)	Х	2.0	= 2.0
А	1 (credits)	Х	4.0	= 4.0
	12 (credits)			41.4

Divided by 12 Credits for the Semester = 3.45 GPA

TUTORING

The Yeshiva wants to ensure each student's academic success and part of that is meeting the needs of all types of students as well as students with unique learning styles among the student population. Students who require additional assistance in order to build their skills or learn the way they learn best in more focused settings are assigned one-onone tutors, or placed in small groups or small classes with mentors. Tutoring services are also provided for students who fall behind in their academic studies and are ready to catch up to their peers. The actual tutoring services are provided by alumni and kollel fellows via the yeshiva administration.

AVAILABILITY OF FULL TIME EMPLOYEE TO ASSIST ENROLLED OR PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS

Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok has designated Rabbi Yisroel M. Glustien, FAA, as the full time employee available to assist enrolled or prospective students in obtaining information on the school, financial assistance, graduation and completion rates, security policies, and crime statistics, and any other required disclosures or information, as required by Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations, sections 668.42, 668.43, 668.45 and 668.46. He can be reached in the office during regular business hours or by calling 908 354 6057.

GROUNDS FOR DISMISSAL

Students are expected to keep the hours of Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok's course and study schedule and attend all lectures. They must also complete regular oral exams.

A student who fails to adhere to Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok's regulations may be placed on probation. If improvement is not seen, the Rosh Yeshiva will notify the student that he may be dismissed from the school.

Students who persistently violate Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok's rules of conduct and discipline may also be dismissed from Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok.

It should be noted that dismissals are extremely rare as every effort is made to accept students of high character and diligence.

ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS

Attendance is expected at all regularly scheduled classes. Excessive unexcused absences may be grounds for grade reductions, loss of course credit, dismissal, or other disciplinary action.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE - FEDERAL POLICY

Under specific circumstances, a student may be granted an approved leave of absence. To request a leave of absence, the student must follow the procedures listed below:

The student must submit a request for a leave of absence in writing to the Rosh Yeshiva, Rabbi Avrohom Schulman. The request must include the reason for which the student is requesting a leave of absence, and must be signed and dated. The request will be reviewed by the Rosh Yeshiva within ten days of submission. If approved, the request and the determination will be forwarded to the registrar's office and placed in the student's academic file. Notification will also be sent to the student and the financial aid office.

The student must submit the request and receive approval prior to beginning the leave of absence. The exception would be unusual circumstances when it is impossible for the student to do so, i.e. if the student was in a car accident or other unforeseen emergency/disaster. If unforeseen circumstances prevent a student from providing a prior written request, the institution may grant the student's request for a leave of absence. In

this case, the institution will documents its decision and collect the written request at a later date.

A student will only be granted a leave of absence if it can be reasonably expected that he will return from the leave of absence on time. The leave of absence, together with any additional leaves of absence, must not exceed a total of 180 days in a 12 month period. Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok will not assess the student any additional institutional charges or award the student any additional Title IV aid during this time period. Upon the student's return from the leave of absence, the student must resume his coursework at the same point in the academic program that he began prior to the leave of absence.

Students on an approved leave of absence will not be considered withdrawn from the institution and no refund calculations will be made for Title IV financial aid received. Students who do not resume attendance at the institution at or before the end of a leave of absence will be considered withdrawn from the institution as of the initial start date of the leave of absence and refunds will be calculated accordingly.

NOTIFICATION OF RIGHTS UNDER FERPA

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) affords eligible students certain rights with respect to their education records. (An "eligible student" under FERPA is a student who is 18 years of age or older or who attends a postsecondary institution at any age.) These rights include:

- 1. The right to inspect and review the student's education records within 45 days after the day Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok receives a request for access. A student should submit to the registrar, dean, head of the academic department, or other appropriate official, a written request that identifies the record(s) the student wishes to inspect. The school official will make arrangements for access and notify the student of the time and place where the records may be inspected. If the records are not maintained by the school official to whom the request was submitted, that official shall advise the student of the correct official to whom the request should be addressed.
- 2. The right to request the amendment of the student's education records that the student believes is inaccurate, misleading, or otherwise in violation of the student's privacy rights under FERPA.

A student who wishes to ask the school to amend a record should write the school official responsible for the record, clearly identify the part of the record the student wants changed, and specify why it should be changed. The written request should also specify the purpose of the disclosure and the parties to whom the disclosure may be made. The request must be signed and dated.

If the school decides not to amend the record as requested, the school will notify the student in writing of the decision and the student's right to a hearing regarding the request for amendment. Additional information regarding the hearing procedures will be provided to the student when notified of the right to a hearing.

3. The right to provide written consent before the school discloses personally identifiable information (PII) from the student's education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent.

Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok discloses education records without a student's prior written consent under the FERPA exception for disclosure to school officials with legitimate educational interests. A school official typically includes a person employed by the school in an administrative, supervisory, academic, research, or support staff position (including law enforcement unit personnel and health staff); a person serving on the board of trustees; or a student serving on an official committee, such as a disciplinary or grievance committee. A school official also may include a volunteer or contractor outside of the school who performs an institutional service of function for which the school would otherwise use its own employees and who is under the direct control of the school with respect to the use and maintenance of PII from education records, such as an attorney, auditor, or collection agent or a student volunteering to assist another school official in performing his or her tasks. A school official typically has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibilities for the school.

The school also discloses education records without consent to officials of another school in which a student seeks or intends to enroll.

4. The right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok to comply with the requirements of FERPA. The name and address of the office that administers FERPA is:

Family Policy Compliance Office U.S. Department of Education 400 Maryland Avenue, SW Washington, DC 20202

FERPA permits the disclosure of PII from students' education records, without consent of the student, if the disclosure meets certain conditions found in § 99.31 of the FERPA regulations. Except for disclosures to school officials, disclosures related to some judicial orders or lawfully issued subpoenas, disclosures of directory information, and disclosures to the student, § 99.32 of FERPA regulations requires the institution to record the disclosure. Eligible students have a right to inspect and review the record of disclosures. A postsecondary institution may disclose PII from the education records without obtaining prior written consent of the student —

- To other school officials, including teachers, within Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok whom the school has determined to have legitimate educational interests. This includes contractors, consultants, volunteers, or other parties to whom the school has outsourced institutional services or functions, provided that the conditions listed in § 99.31(a)(1)(i)(B)(1) (a)(1)(i)(B)(3) are met. (§ 99.31(a)(1))
- To officials of another school where the student seeks or intends to enroll, or where the student is already enrolled if the disclosure is for purposes related to the student's enrollment or transfer, subject to the requirements of § 99.34. (§ 99.31(a)(2))
- To authorized representatives of the U. S. Comptroller General, the U.S. Attorney General, the U.S. Secretary of Education, or State and local educational authorities, such as a State postsecondary authority that is responsible for supervising the university's State-supported education programs. Disclosures under this provision may be made, subject to the requirements of §99.35, in connection with an audit or evaluation of Federal- or State-supported education programs, or for the enforcement of or compliance with Federal legal requirements that relate to those programs. These entities may make further disclosures of PII to outside entities that are designated by them as their authorized representatives to conduct any audit, evaluation, or enforcement or compliance activity on their behalf. (§§ 99.31(a)(3) and 99.35)
- In connection with financial aid for which the student has applied or which the student has received, if the information is necessary to determine eligibility for

the aid, determine the amount of the aid, determine the conditions of the aid, or enforce the terms and conditions of the aid. (\$ 99.31(a)(4))

- To organizations conducting studies for, or on behalf of, the school, in order to: (a) develop, validate, or administer predictive tests; (b) administer student aid programs; or (c) improve instruction. (§ 99.31(a)(6))
- To accrediting organizations to carry out their accrediting functions. (§ 99.31(a)(7))
- To parents of an eligible student if the student is a dependent for IRS tax purposes. (§ 99.31(a)(8))
- To comply with a judicial order or lawfully issued subpoena, to proceed with or defend against the legal action. (§ 99.31(a)(9))
- To appropriate officials in connection with a health or safety emergency, subject to § 99.36. (§ 99.31(a)(10))
- The information the school has designated as "directory information" under § 99.37. (§ 99.31(a)(11)): name, student status, marital status, spouse's name, telephone number, address, date of birth, place of birth, dates of attendance, degrees granted, dates degrees granted, names of prior institutions attended, chavrusas, chaburas, photos, seat information, parents' and parents in-law's names, addresses, occupations, congregations, and similar background information.

Note: Students have the right to restrict the sharing of directory information. Students who wish to make such a request must contact the registrar's office, and submit the request in writing within 90 days from the beginning of the semester. Once a student requests that the school not disclose directory information, this hold on sharing directory information will remain in place until revoked by the student in writing. Requests cannot be put into effect retroactively.

- To a victim of an alleged perpetrator of a crime of violence or a non-forcible sex offense, subject to the requirements of § 99.39. The disclosure may only include the final results of the disciplinary proceeding with respect to that alleged crime or offense, regardless of the finding. (§ 99.31(a)(13))
- To the general public, the final results of a disciplinary proceeding, subject to the requirements of § 99.39, if the school determines the student is an alleged perpetrator of a crime of violence or non-forcible sex offense and the student has committed a violation of the school's rules or policies with respect to the allegation made against him. (§ 99.31(a)(14))
- To parents of a student regarding the student's violation of any Federal, State, or local law, or of any rule or policy of the school, governing the use or possession

of alcohol or a controlled substance if the school determines the student committed a disciplinary violation and the student is under the age of 21. (\$99.31(a)(15))

ACADEMIC PROGRAM

Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok offers a 150 credit undergraduate program of study leading to a Bachelor of Talmudic Studies degree. There is only one major available, Talmud. A diverse range of courses is offered to enrich students with an authentic, stimulating program in Jewish Studies. Talmud courses are offered in Talmud Intensive, Talmud Survey, Talmud Research, and Talmud Review. There is a mandatory course in Ethics/Mussar. Additionally for students who wish to focus on Codes/Halacha we offer a course in Codes/Halacha as well. At the completion of his undergraduate course of studies, the student is well prepared to continue in a graduate program of advanced Talmudic Studies.

Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok offers two modules in the fall semester. Students may take both modules for a total of twelve credits or one module of six credits.

FREQUENCY OF COURSE OFFERINGS

Students enrolled at Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok generally take the maximum number of courses offered each term at their grade level and progress toward their degrees in the time frame outlined in the sample curriculum. Courses are offered with enough frequency to enable students to complete the course requirements and graduate within the expected time frames.

TEXTBOOKS AND REQUIRED MATERIALS

All required texts can be found in the library and are available at all times for student use. However, students may acquire personal copies if they wish. No other materials are required.

EXPLANATION OF THE NUMBERING SYSTEM

Courses are given letter and number designations using the following system: The first letter refers to the department (T) Talmud; (C) Codes/Halacha; and (E) Ethics/Mussar.

The first digit refers to the year of study (1-5).

In the Talmud courses the second digit indicates the intensity of the course, Intensive (1), Survey (2), Research (3) and Review (4).

The third and fourth digits refer to the Tractate being studied.

The Codes/Halacha and Ethics/Mussar courses second and third digits are always 01.

The letters following the numbers indicates the semester, FA1 the first Fall Module and FA2 the second Fall Module. SP indicates the Spring Semester and SU indicates the Summer Semester.

DEPARTMENT OF TALMUD

The core of the academic program consists of the study of Talmud, comprising the bulk of the student's day. A brief introduction to the study of Talmud is in order. The Talmud comprises the central facet of the oral tradition passed down for generations amongst Jews since the year 1312 BCE. The Babylonian sages completed the Babylonian Talmud, over 2000 years ago. Famed for its esoteric style, the Talmud is designed to provide the ultimate challenge for its students. Over the centuries, thousands of companion volumes have been authored, to elucidate and elaborate upon the basic text. The study of Talmud is demanding task and a great deal of time must be devoted to fully appreciate its complexity and sophisticated levels. The Talmud is comprised of a number of Tractates, and each one consists of its own unique set of laws. Additionally they often differ greatly in language and style.

Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok's undergraduate program strives to give students the skills they will need for a lifetime of independent study of the Talmud. Generally a Tractate is studied for either a half or a whole year depending on the length and how complex the particular Tractate is. Since the course of study is cyclical; students entering the Yeshiva at different years will study different tractates over the course of their five-year program. Despite the differences in material covered, the skills presented and acquired are essentially similar, and graduating students are expected to demonstrate a specified level of achievement in the Tractate.

As noted the majority of the curriculum is devoted to the study of Talmud. This includes an array of courses focusing on different skills and methods in Talmudic study. Courses are offered in Talmud Intensive, Talmud Survey, Talmud Research, and Talmud Review. The student will acquire over the five-year program a strong information base of Talmudic concepts as well as a wide content knowledge of the numerous subjects and/or case studies that drive the discourse in each of the Tractates covered in the curriculum.

Throughout the millennia, the Talmud has been traditionally studied utilizing the Chavrusa (study partner) system. Under the Chavrusa system, students are able to match wits and hone each other's intellectual capabilities as they delve into the core of the Tractate. In this way, one student's strengths complement the other, and the learning of both is enhanced by this methodology. Each semester, the faculty pairs students with appropriate Chavrusas, bearing in mind each student's academic level and abilities.

TALMUD TEXT LISTINGS

A brief summary of the subject matter of the Talmud Tractates is provided for the convenience of the reader unfamiliar with Talmudic study. However, it should be understood that these short descriptions do not reflect the depth, detail, and complexity of the study involved. The Tractates are listed in their Talmudic sequence and not necessarily in the order of study.

(01) Berachos - Laws of Prayer, "Krias Shema", Grace after Meals and blessings pertaining to foods, events, etc.

(02) Shabbos - The Sabbath; related restrictions and their source, in depth study of all regulations regarding the Sabbath, including problems that emanate from changes in society and technological advances.

(03) Eruvin - Domains. Transfer of individual or object from one place to another; use of devices to expand bounds of domains.

(04) **Pesachim** - Laws of Passover; leaven, the Seder, and Passover offering, concepts of ownership and relinquishment of rights, responsibilities for removal of leaven as related to status; tenant, landlord, head of household and watchman.

(05) Shekalim - Use of specified coins to purchase Temple supplies and Korbonos, structure of accounting system used to allocate incoming funds to various expense categories in the Temple.

(06) Rosh Hashanah - Laws of the New Year, the Shofar. Sanctification of new months.

(07) Yuma - The Day of Atonement and related laws. Korbonos, services in the Temple, repentance, the five Abstentions.

(08) Succah - Laws of the Festival of Booths, construction of Booths and their requirements. The four symbolic species, (Lulov, Esrog, Hadassim, Arovos).

(09) Beitza - Laws of prohibited activities on Holidays, differing from the Sabbath. Objects not to be moved.

(10) Taanis - Laws of Fast days.

(11) Megillah - Laws of Purim, the Reading of the Book of Esther and other obligations of the Holiday, charitable donations and sending of gifts of edible foods.

(12) Moed Koton - Laws of Intermediate Festival days, mourning practices.

(13) Chagigah - Practices associated with visits to the Temple.

(14) Yevamos - Study of Levirate marriage and Chalitza, consanguinity. General anthropological structure of Jewish society, permitted marriage partners etc. Privileges and obligations of Kohanim. Legal procedures involved in determining the death of an individual; the Agunah.

(15) Kesubos - The marriage contract; obligations and commitments incurred therein, specifically in relation to financial considerations and obligations made prior to marriage. Family structure; the status, role and rights of women in society.

(16) Nedarim - Laws of object-related vows and resultant obligations, annulment of vows, involvement of parent and spouse in the making vow.

(17) Nazir - The Nazarite vow, restrictions, practices associated.

(18) Sotah – Suspected adultery and its ramifications on a marriage; conditions for lodging a charge, religious practices associated with this situation. Philosophical and moral implications.

(19) Gittin - Traditional divorce with emphasis on Get (divorce document); technical aspects regulating its legality. Review of legal documents and methods of establishing authenticity of signatures; related regulations.

(20) Kiddushin - Process of marriage and related regulations and obligations. Comparative study of modes of legal status employed elsewhere. Marriage by proxy and conditional marriage.

(21) Baba Kama - Talmudic Civil Law, Part I. Compensation for injury or loss, rectification and liability through injury or misuse, damages by the defendant, personally or by any agencies. Misappropriation also reviewed in its broad sense, whether through violence or theft.

(22) Baba Metzia - Talmudic Civil Law, Part II. Dealing primarily with claims related to joint transactions, from finding lost articles to wage agreements. Considerations relating to trade and industry, usury, labor conditions and responsibilities, deposits and tenancy, interest.

(23) Baba Basra - Talmudic Civil Law, Part III. Claims of right of way, claims and rights of partners, neighbors, purchasers, vendors and heirs, legal forms of acquisition of

partners; seller's liability for value of his wares and deeds in terms of consumer protection. Deeds and legal documents relating to business also treated.

(24) Sanhedrin - Judicial processes, examination of witnesses, the Judicial Assembly, and trial conduct in civil, criminal and capital cases. Types of remedies and sentences, mild to severe, for various transgressions.

(25) Makkos - Severe judicial punishments and transgressions resulting therein. False and contradictory testimony and the treatment of affected witnesses in such proceedings. Incarceration in Arei Miklat for involuntary manslaughter.

(26) Shevuos - Laws of personal vows, oaths before the court, the status of single witness, partial admittance of responsibility. Guarding, borrowing and another's property. Temple ritual laws and remedies for those who violate them.

(27) Avodah Zorah - Definitions of idolatry; and its consequences on the individual and community.

(28) Eduyos - A compilation of discussion on many topics that were debated by Talmudic sages, transcripts of testimony of students on the positions of their teachers.

(29) Horayos - Analysis of dealings with mistaken judgments by Bais Din or Kohen Gadol; methods of restitution.

(30) Zevachim - Discussions of various types of Korbonos offerings, conditions under which a particular offering may be invalidated.

(31) Menachos - Various types of prescribed meal offerings associated with specific categories of Korbonos.

(32) Chullin - A detailed analysis of the dietary laws; injuries and diseases of an animal or bird which render it non-kosher; study of kosher animals' anatomy as well as correct methods of slaughtering.

(33) Bechoros - Discussions of practices associated with the special status of a first-born; redemption of first-born animals, blemishes which render animals unfit for Korbon offerings. Particular status of certain first-born livestock.

(34) Eruchin - Evaluations associated with individuals who pledge to their own worth to Temple charity.

(35) **Temurah** - Exchanges of sanctified status from one animal to another; status of offspring of consecrated animals.

(36) Krisus - Categories of transgressions defined by law as most serious with severe associated consequences and Korbonos that may be brought for atonement.

(37) Meilah - Discussion of problems associated with attempts to remove sanctified status from objects or animals.

(38) Nidah - Ritual impurity associated with reproductive cycle, childbirth and related topics.

(39) Mikvaos - Detailed discussions of architectural requirements for ritual baths, dimensions and other specifications.

TALMUD COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Talmud Intensive

Introductory Talmud Intensive

T11**FA1	3 credits	T11**FA2	3 credits
T11**SP	6 credits	T11**SU	5 credits

During the introductory year, the students learn the process and methodology necessary to properly understand the Talmudic texts. A strong emphasis is placed upon proper understanding of the language of the two major commentaries, written by Rashi and the Tosafos (medieval commentaries on the Talmud). The students begin to build an intellectual structure consisting of concepts and principles found in the Gemara, Rashi and Tosafos.

Beginning Talmud Intensive

T21**FA1	3 credits	T21**FA2	3 credits
T21**SP	6 credits	T21**SU	5 credits

Once the students master the basic tools for textual analysis, they can then start studying at a greater depth, using additional commentaries. The students should be capable of preparing the basic Talmud text along with the commentaries of Rashi and Tosafos on their own. During the lecture, the instructors compare and contrast the various approaches of the commentators, following the thread of logic that runs through each one. The students are taught to achieve greater clarity within their own thought processes. This leads the student to have a better understanding of the commentaries and how it can be applied and integrated within the text. This helps the students gain increased confidence in their understanding of the Talmudic text.

Intermediate Talmud Intensive

T31**FA1	3 credits	T31**FA2	3 credits
T31**SP	6 credits	T31**SU	5 credits

During the third year, the students continue to develop and solidify their knowledge base of Talmudic discourse and case law. The students begin to expand their capacity toward independence and development to understanding the Talmud on a deeper level. The daily lecture teaches the students to analyze the commentaries and to begin to reconstruct the hypotheses of why some commentaries reject the hypotheses of other commentaries.

Senior Talmud Intensive

T41**FA1	3 credits	T41**FA2	3 credits
T41**SP	6 credits	T41**SU	5 credits

A familiarity with the major Achronim (later commentators; circa 1500 to the present) is developed. The students are exposed to the works of the Maharsha, Maharam, Rabbi Akiva Eiger, the Ketzos Hachoshen, and the P'nei Yehoshua, among others. In the process, the students learn to differentiate between reasonable and unreasonable proofs and to slowly begin to offer their own hypotheses and proofs as well.

Advanced Talmud Intensive

T51**FA1	3 credits	T51**FA2	3 credits
T51**SP	6 credits	T51**SU	5 credits

Fifth-year students are presented with a variety of opinions and are capable of understanding the intellectual basis of each independently. The student can also identify and research appropriate commentaries relevant to the passage being studied further developing the students' capacity for creative thinking. The fifth year also focuses on preparing the students for the transition to higher-level academic programs.

Talmud Survey

Introductory Talmud Survey

T12**FA1	2 credits	T12**FA2	2 credits
T12**SP	4 credits	T12**SU	3 credits

On the introductory level, the students are guided in making the transition from their high school training to the post-secondary level. The students study another chapter in the Tractate than is being studied in the other Talmud courses. The focus is on basic textual reading, and the students approach the Tractate with an eye towards developing their breadth of Talmud knowledge.

Beginning Talmud Survey

T22**FA1	2 credits	T22**FA2	2 credits
T22**SP	4 credits	T22**SU	3 credits

On this level the students begin to increase their breadth of Talmud knowledge. They study the Talmud text with the basic commentary of Rashi. This improves the students' familiarity of the Talmud's logical give-and-take. The emphasis is on surveying the text and through practice, honing the required thinking skills.

Intermediate Talmud Survey

T32**FA1	2 credits	T32**FA2	2 credits
T32**SP	4 credits	T32**SU	3 credits

On this level the student expands his knowledge of Talmudic discourse and case law, while learning to focus his understanding of the texts. Consequently this further develops the students' tools to independently study Talmudic texts. The persistent study of the Talmud with the basic commentary of Rashi, further improves the students' familiarity of the Talmud's logical give-and-take.

Senior Talmud Survey

T42**FA1	2 credits	T42**FA2	2 credits
T42**SP	4 credits	T42**SU	3 credits

On this level the students are expected to have developed a broad knowledge base of Talmudic case law and the skills needed to independently study Talmudic texts. As such the student pursues his Talmud Survey studies largely unsupervised. The students maintain their own pace and aim to cover as much of the tractate as possible within the limitations of the semester.

Advanced Talmud Survey

T52**FA1	2 credits	T52**FA2	2 credits		
T52**SP	4 credits	T52**SU	3 credits		
On this level the students continue to hone their analytic and textual skills and avoid					
superficiality. Intellectual creativity is encouraged, and leads to a deeper understanding of					
the text. The students will occasionally reference the pertinent commentaries. The focus					
is to develop an incipient independent scholar which will lead to a lifetime of learning					
and potentially to master significant sections of the Talmud.					

Talmud Research

Introductory Talmud Research

T13**FA1	3 credits	T13**FA2	3 credits
T13**SP	6 credits	T13**SU	5 credits

On this level the student's study a different chapter in the Tractate then is studied during the other Talmud courses. The course is at a somewhat quicker pace and focuses on skill building and familiarity with the structure of the Talmud. The objective is to convey a sense of the subject matter and conceptual framework of the text.

Beginning Talmud Research

T23**FA1	3 credits	T23**FA2	3 credits
T23**SP	6 credits	T23**SU	5 credits

The students become familiar with the major texts of Talmudic scholarship. The students begin to develop an intellectual independence which is encouraged on the post-secondary level. The syntax and structure of the Talmud become clearer through the student's independent study.

Intermediate Talmud Research

T33**FA1	3 credits	T33**FA2	3 credits
T33**SP	6 credits	T33**SU	5 credits

The student expands his knowledge of Talmudic discourse and case law, while learning to focus his efforts on an in-depth understanding of the texts. The student learns to avoid superficiality during the intellectual give-and-take of Chavrusa study.

Senior Talmud Research

T43**FA1	3 credits	T43**FA2	3 credits
T43**SP	6 credits	T43**SU	5 credits

The student becomes further familiar with the major commentaries, and consults them regularly. Intellectual creativity is encouraged, and independent study leads to an understanding of the interactions between the texts and their commentators.

Advanced Talmud Research

T53**FA1	3 credits	T53**FA2	3 credits
T53**SP	6 credits	T53**SU	5 credits

The student is increasingly independent of faculty assistance, and is capable of coming up with original interpretations of his own. Stress is placed upon consistency of the student's interpretation with the major commentaries, and contrasts that are invariable when the Chiddush, or novel interpretation, is developed.

Talmud Review

Introductory Talmud Review

T14**FA1	1 credit	T14**FA2	1 credit
T14**SP	2 credits	T14**SU	2 credits

On the introductory level, the students are guided in making the transition from their high school training to the post-secondary level. The courses focus on the introduction of reading and understanding large areas of the Talmud. When internalized, the student will feel competent to engage in independent Talmud study.

Beginning Talmud Review

T24**FA1	1 credit	T24**FA2	1 credit
T24**SP	2 credits	T24**SU	2 credits

On this level the students are assisted in studying the Talmud by developing their understanding of the nuances of the text. The focus is on the basic commentary of Rashi which sheds light on difficult questions which arise. The students are taught to achieve greater clarity within their own thought processes. These courses complement the morning Talmud Intensive courses.

Intermediate Talmud Review

T34**FA1	1 credit	T34**FA2	1 credit
T34**SP	2 credits	T34**SU	2 credits

On this level the students continue to develop their ability to interpret Talmudic texts. These courses further build the students' knowledge of a variety of sugyos (Talmudic topics) in various chapters. Subsequently this further develops the students' skills and tools to independently study Talmudic texts.

Senior Talmud Review

T44**FA1	1 credit	T44**FA2	1 credit
T44**SP	2 credits	T44**SU	2 credits

On this level the students are taught to expand their scope and begin studying the interpretations of the early commentators or Rishonim. They learn to hone their analytic and textual skills and to avoid superficiality. Upon conclusion, the students will have expanded and developed the wherewithall to further study the interpretations of the early Rishonim.

Advanced Talmud Review

T54**FA1	1 credit	T54**FA2	1 credit
T54**SP	2 credits	T54**SU	2 credits

On this level the students pursue their studies largely unsupervised. The students are expected to independently research the assigned readings and its commentaries. The breadth of study provides the student with a sense of accomplishment and positive reinforcement for further Talmud study. The fifth year also prepares the students for the transition to higher-level academic programs. The focus is to develop an incipient independent scholar which will lead to a lifetime of learning and potentially to master significant sections of the Talmud.

DEPARTMENT OF CODES/HALACHA

Halacha constitutes the final culmination of Talmudic debate epitomized in legal decisions. The goal of the Halacha Intensive courses is for the students to have clarity and a thorough understanding of "halacha l'maaseh" (final Halachic decision) and to apply it to various situations. The students first study the sugya (topic) in the Talmud with the relevant commentaries. After acquiring a thorough understanding of the sugya they move on to the study of Halacha.

The study of Halacha is in depth beginning with the Tur (a thirteenth century work). The Tur is wide-ranging and divided into four main sections. Rav Josef Caro a fifteenth century scholar wrote a comprehensive commentary on the Tur called Bais Yosef. He subsequently went on to write the authoritative Shulchan Aruch or book of Jewish Legal Codes. The Shulchan Aruch is based on the Tur and includes both the authoritative

judgments of Rabbi Joseph Caro, and the Psak (final law) of Rabbi Moshe Isserliss (known as the Rema) as well as glosses of later commentators and interpreters.

The students study the Tur with the commentary of the Bais Yosef, the Bach, the Taz and some of the other leading commentaries on the Tur; and the study of the Shulchan Aruch with the commentaries of the Magen Avrohom, Pri Megadim, Dogul Mervava, etc. These great sages comment upon and provide deep analysis of the Shulchan Aruch. They then study some of the later Halachic works including but not limited to the Aruch Hashulchan, Chaya Adam, and the Mishnah Berurah.

The final stage is to study the rulings of some of the foremost poskim of the recent past including Rav Moshe Feinstein, Rav Shlomo Zalman Auerbach and Rav Yosef Sholom Elyashiv, among others. With this solid background, the student can now appreciate the subtleties in how to apply the "halacha l'maaseh" (final Halachic decision) in various situations.

Introductory Codes – Intensive

C101FA1	3 credit	C101FA2	3 credit
C101SP	6 credits	C101SU	5 credit

On this level the students study the Talmud text which is the foundation of Halacha. The emphasis is on the syntax and structure of the Talmud, this improves the students' familiarity of the Talmud's logical give-and-take. The students study in the traditional Chavrusa method under the guidance of the faculty.

Beginning Codes - Intensive

C201FA1	3 credit	C201FA2	3 credit
C201SP	6 credits	C201SU	5 credit

On this level the student expands his knowledge of Talmudic texts and case law, while learning to focus his efforts on understanding the texts in greater depth. The instructor will direct them which Halachic commentaries discuss the subject. Besides the obvious benefit of knowing more Halacha, this knowledge will help the student understand the underlying sources.

Intermediate Codes – Intensive

C301FA1	3 credit	C301FA2	3 credit
C301SP	6 credits	C301SU	5 credit

In these courses the study of Talmud focuses on the Rishonim (commentators of the medieval era) which discuss Talmudic Law such as the Rambam, Rif, and Rosh. In addition the students begin studying the Tur (the forerunner of the Shulchan Aruch) with its main commentaries; the Bais Yosef, the Bach and the Taz.

Senior Codes - Intensive

C401FA1	3 credit	C401FA2	3 credit
C401SP	6 credits	C401SU	5 credit

On this level the students study the Tur with its main commentaries and the Shulchan Aruch which includes the Psak (final law) of Rabbi Moshe Isserliss (known as the Rema). In addition they study the commentaries of the Achronim (literally the later commentators) on the Shulchan Aruch such as the Magein Avrohom, Pri Megadim, Dogul Mervava, etc.

Advanced Codes - Intensive

C501FA1	3 credit	C501FA2	3credit
C501SP	6 credits	C501SU	5 credit

On this level the students now focus on the final rulings of some of the foremost poskim of the recent past including Rav Moshe Feinstein, Rav Shlomo Zalman Auerbach and Rav Yosef Shalom Elyashiv, among others. Using his knowledge of Halacha and the guiding principles gleaned from the commentaries and contemporary Poskim (halachic authorities) the student can now apply the "halacha l'maaseh" (final Halachic decision) to various situations. This inherent knowledge will be the foundation of the students' graduate work.

DEPARTMENT OF ETHICS/MUSSAR

Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok aims to produce not only knowledgeable students, but also individuals with a strong commitment to high ethical standards. To achieve this goal, the study of Ethics is a requirement in Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok. The study of Ethics and Jewish Philosophy is commonly known as Mussar study. The purpose of studying Mussar is to instill the desire and ability to develop good character traits and inspire personal growth. The courses in the Department of Ethics are offered to train students in the basic tenets of Jewish faith and to develop their abilities of self-analysis and character improvement.

In studying Mussar, the concepts of right and wrong, good and bad, in regards to human behaviors and traits, are challenged and evaluated. The course focuses on character building, with an emphasis on interpersonal relationships. The study of Mussar is goal oriented, inspiring students to engage in self-evaluation and self-reflection, and to act upon their conclusions. The topics studied address modern day issues, and prepare students for real-life ethical dilemmas and moral questions.

Practical application of self-analysis and self-evaluation is stressed with an eye toward the development of concern for others, as well as the growth of self-confidence. Students study the texts individually or with a partner, with faculty always available for consultation. The focus is not just to master the text, but on internalizing the concepts learned, in keeping with the objective of training students in personal growth and integrity.

Besides for the study of the selected text there is a weekly Ethics lecture. In these lectures the instructor derives moral messages from biblical sources. They illustrate their relevance to personal growth and modern day ethics. The foundations for moral development are discussed, with a focus on practical life lessons. The students are encouraged to set personal goals and to strive to constantly improve their character.

ETHICS/MUSSAR TEXT LISTINGS

Chovos Halevovos (Duties of the Heart) by R. Bachya Ibn Pakudah (Saragossa, Spain, early eleventh century), presents the ethical teachings of Judaism and its fundamental beliefs in a systematic pattern, emphasizing the importance of the commandments relating to belief and providence.

Sha'arei Teshuva (The Gates of Repentance) by Rabbenu Yonah of Gerona (b. Gerona, Spain, c. 1180, d. Toledo, Spain 1263), describing the steps to repentance.

Orchos Tzaddikim (Ways of the Pious), of unknown authorship, from the era following the Ramban (Rabbi Moshe Ben Nachman), dealing with the refinement of character traits and the ways of penitence.

Mesilas Yeshorim (The Path of the Just) by Rabbi Moshe Chaim Luzzatto, steps to refinement of personality by the examination of various traits.

Derech Hashem (The Way of G-D), a study of a basic text of the author of the "Mesilas Yeshorim", which lays the foundations of Jewish philosophy.

Nefesh Hachaim (The Soul of Life), the magnum opus of Rabbi Chaim Volozhin, the father of the Yeshiva movement. An ethical treatment of a wide variety of subjects of Kabbalistic origin.

Sifrei Maharal - Rabbi Yehudah Loew (1525-1609) also known as the Maharal of Prague was one of the outstanding Jewish minds of the sixteenth century. He wrote numerous books on Jewish law, philosophy, and morality, and developed an entirely new approach to the Aggada (narrative non-legal parts) of the Talmud. In this course the students are introduced to the unique philosophical approach of the Maharal.

ETHICS COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Introductory Ethics

E101FA1	1 credit	E101FA2	1 credit
E101SP	2 credits	E101SU	1 credit

The students begin their formal exposure to the study of Ethics. The students are introduced to the language and general subject matter of the texts and are expected to study the text to gain a general comprehension of the material.

Beginning Ethics

E201FA1	1 credit	E201FA2	1 credit
E201SP	2 credits	E201SU	1 credit

At this level, the students are expected to be more fluent in the language of the classic Ethics texts. Using these classic works of Mussar, the students start to identify and understand main ethical themes, and to discuss common negative character traits and their positive counterparts.

Intermediate Ethics

E301FA1	1 credit	E301FA2	1 credit
E301SP	2 credits	E301SU	1 credit

On this level, the students analyze central ethical moral issues in the classical works of Mussar, and their conceptual underpinnings and implications. In addition, the students study the texts in greater depth and discuss the ideas contained with peers and teachers in order to further develop their character.

Senior Ethics

E401FA1	1 credit	E401FA2	1 credit
E401SP	2 credits	E401SU	1 credit

On this level, some of the deeper philosophical aspects of Mussar are studied, again with the focus on the classic Mussar treatises. The students are expected to have widespread familiarity with many of the concepts and ideals expressed by the authors of the texts.

Advanced Ethics

E501FA1	1 credit	E501FA2	1credit
E501SP	2 credits	E501SU	1 credit

As the students prepare to complete their undergraduate studies, they sharpen their skills of studying Mussar and develop a commitment to the life long process of character development and ethical conduct.

Yeshivas Be'er Yitzchok offers its students more than one option to earn the Bachelors of Talmudic Studies Degree.

SAMPLE CURRICULUM 1

<u>Year 1</u>

Fall Semester Module 1

T11##FA1 Introductory Talmud Intensive	
T12##FA1 Introductory Talmud Survey	
E101FA1 Introductory Ethics	

3 credits 2 credits 1 credit

Fall Semester Module 2

T11##FA2 Introductory Talmud Intensive	3 credits
T12##FA2 Introductory Talmud Survey	2 credits
E101FA2 Introductory Ethics	1 credit

Spring Semester

T11##SP Introductory Talmud Intensive	6 credits
T12##P Introductory Talmud Survey	4 credits
E101SP Introductory Ethics	2 credit

Summer Semester

T11##SU Introductory Talmud Intensive	5 credits
T12##SU Introductory Talmud Survey	3 credits
E101SU Introductory Ethics	1 credit

<u>Year 2</u>

Fall Semester Module 1

T21##FA1 Beginning Talmud Intensive	3 credits
T22##FA1 Beginning Talmud Survey	2 credits
E201FA1 Beginning Ethics	1 credit

Fall Semester Module 2

T21##FA2 Beginning Talmud Intensive	3 credits
T22##FA2 Beginning Talmud Survey	2 credits
E201FA2 Beginning Ethics	1 credit

Spring Semester

T21##SP Beginning Talmud Intensive	6 credits
T22##SP Beginning Talmud Survey	4 credits
E201SP Beginning Ethics	2 credit

Summer Semester

T21##SU Beginning Talmud Intensive	5 credits
T22##SU Beginning Talmud Survey	3 credits
E201SU Beginning Ethics	1 credit

Year 3

Fall Semester Module 1

T31##FA1 Intermediate Talmud Intensive	3 credits
T32##FA1 Intermediate Talmud Survey	2 credits
E301FA1 Intermediate Ethics	1 credit

Fall Semester Module 2

T31##FA2 Intermediate Talmud Intensive	3 credits
T32##FA2 Intermediate Talmud Survey	2 credits
E301FA2 Intermediate Ethics	1 credit

Spring Semester

T31##SP Intermediate Talmud Intensive	6 credits
T32##SP Intermediate Talmud Survey	4 credits
E301SP Intermediate Ethics	2 credit

Summer Semester

T31##SU Intermediate Talmud Intensive	5 credits
T32##SU Intermediate Talmud Survey	3 credits
E301SU Intermediate Ethics	1 credit

<u>Year 4</u>

Fall Semester Module 1

T41##FA1 Senior Talmud Intensive	3 credits
T42##FA1 Senior Talmud Survey	2 credits
E401FA1 Senior Ethics	1 credit

Fall Semester Module 2

T41##FA2 Senior Talmud Intensive	3 credits
T42##FA2 Senior Talmud Survey	2 credits
E401FA2 Senior Ethics	1 credit

Spring Semester

T41##SP Senior Talmud Intensive	6 credits
T42##SP Senior Talmud Survey	4 credits
E401SP Senior Ethics	2 credit

Summer Semester

T41##SU Senior Talmud Intensive	5 credits
T42##SU Senior Talmud Survey	3 credits
E401SU Senior Ethics	1 credit

<u>Year 5</u>

Fall Semester Module 1

T51##FA1 Advanced Talmud Intensive	3 credits
T52##FA1 Advanced Talmud Survey	2 credits
E501FA1 Advanced Ethics	1 credit

Fall Semester Module 2

T51##FA2 Advanced Talmud Intensive	3 credits
T52##FA2 Advanced Talmud Survey	2 credits
E501FA2 Advanced Ethics	1 credit

Spring Semester

T51##SP Advanced Talmud Intensive	6 credits
T52##SP Advanced Talmud Survey	4 credits
E501SP Advanced Ethics	2 credit

Summer Semester

T51##SU Advanced Talmud Intensive	5 credits
T52##SU Advanced Talmud Survey	3 credits
E501SU Advanced Ethics	1 credit

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SAMPLE CURRICULUM 2

Year 1

Fall Semester Module 1

C101FA1 Introductory Codes Intensive T12##FA1 Introductory Talmud Survey E101FA1 Introductory Ethics	3 credits 2 credits 1 credit
Fall Semester Module 2	
C101FA2 Introductory Codes Intensive	3 credits
T12##FA2 Introductory Talmud Survey	2 credits
E101FA2 Introductory Ethics	1 credit

Spring Semester

C101SP Introductory Codes Intensive	6 credits
T12##SP Introductory Talmud Survey	4 credits
E101SP Introductory Ethics	2 credit

Summer Semester

C101SU Introductory Codes Intensive	5 credits
T12##SU Introductory Talmud Survey	3 credits
E101SU Introductory Ethics	1 credit

<u>Year 2</u>

Fall Semester Module 1

C201FA1 Beginning Codes Intensive T22##FA1 Beginning Talmud Survey E201FA1 Beginning Ethics	3 credits 2 credits 1 credit
Fall Semester Module 2	
C201FA2 Beginning Codes Intensive T22##FA2 Beginning Talmud Survey E201FA2 Beginning Ethics	3 credits 2 credits 1 credit
Spring Semester	
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Spring Semester

C301SP Intermediate Codes Intensive	6 credits
T32##SP Intermediate Talmud Survey	4 credits
E301SP Intermediate Ethics	2 credit
Summer Semester	
C301SU Intermediate Codes Intensive	5 credits
T32##SU Intermediate Talmud Survey	3 credits
E301SU Intermediate Ethics	1 credit
<u>Year 4</u>	
Fall Semester Module 1	
C401FA1 Senior Codes Intensive	3 credits
T42##FA1 Senior Talmud Survey	2 credits
E401FA1 Senior Ethics	1 credit
Fall Semester Module 2	
C401FA2 Senior Codes Intensive	3 credits
T42##FA2 Senior Talmud Survey	2 credits
E401FA2 Senior Ethics	1 credit
Spring Semester	
C401SP Senior Codes Intensive	6 credits
T42##SP Senior Talmud Survey	4 credits
E401SP Senior Ethics	2 credit
Summer Semester	
C401SU Senior Codes Intensive	5 credits
T42##SU Senior Talmud Survey	3 credits
E401SU Senior Ethics	1 credit

Year 5

Fall Semester Module 1

C501FA1 Advanced Codes Intensive	3 credits
T52**FA1 Advanced Talmud Survey	2 credits
E501FA1 Advanced Ethics	1 credit

Fall Semester Module 2

C501FA2 Advanced Codes Intensive	3 credits
T52**FA2 Advanced Talmud Survey	2 credits
E501FA2 Advanced Ethics	1 credit

Spring Semester

C501SP Advanced Codes Intensive	6 credits
T52**SP Advanced Talmud Survey	4 credits
E501SP Advanced Ethics	2 credit

Summer Semester

C501SU Advanced Codes Intensive	5 credits
T52##SU Advanced Talmud Survey	3 credits
E501SU Advanced Ethics	1 credit

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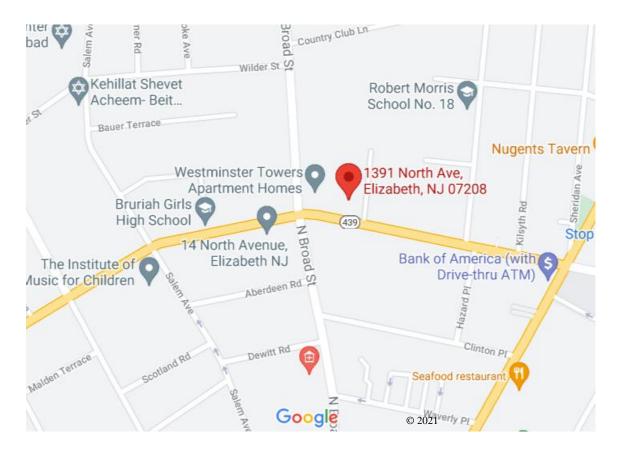
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YESHIVAS BE'ER YITZCHOK MAP AND DIRECTIONS

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From the New Jersey Turnpike- Exit 13-A:

After tolls look for sign in the middle - "North Ave West".

The Yeshiva is located on North Ave, so you will be staying on the same street for the 6 minute ride.

Stay in the middle lane and don't make any turns. You will go through an underpass and come to a light. Stay straight and bear right with the road (passing Pappetti's Trucks on the right).

Go straight for about 7 lights (7th light should be Newark Ave- big Stop & Shop on the right). Stay straight. Before the next light (N. Broad St.), the 3rd little street on the right (Stanton), is the North Ave Shul, which houses the Bais Medrash.

From the Goethals Bridge

Stay to the right on the bridge. At the end of the bridge, exit to the right for Bayway Ave-Route 439. The exit splits 3 ways - exit in the middle lane for Bayway Ave. Bear left and then right, passing gas stations on both left and right onto Bayway Ave. After about 5 lights, you will come to a circle (Route 1 &9).

Stay straight (continue halfway around the circle and get back onto Route 439 - Bayway). Drive for about 10 minutes through about 15 lights. The street name changes from Bayway to Elmora Ave to North Ave but remains Route 439 the whole time.

From Garden State Parkway South:

Exit 140A for Elizabeth/Kean University- Route 82 East (Route 82 East is Morris Ave). Bear right- follow signs to Elizabeth (3 lights). You will then be on Morris Ave - Route 82 East. Go through an underpass and pass the Shopping center on your left.

Go straight for about 10 lights. You will pass through a second underpass after about 5 or 6 lights. Stay to the left when you see Kean University on the right (black gates and big parking lot). Make left onto North Ave - Route 439 (big intersection).