6th-8th Graders...

JOIN OUR KADIMA YOUTH GROUPS!

What is Kadima? Kadima is for Jewish middle-schoolers, offering them the same opportunities. While both groups are based in our local chapter (FLIPPER) and plan local activities each month, we are part of the Hagalil Region which plans events with other chapters throughout New Jersey. Our region is part of the international institution, offering opportunities for travel and involvement with other Conservative Jewish teens and pre-teens worldwide.

Why FLIPPER? The FLIPPER name comes from our synagogue towns: <u>Fair Lawn</u>, <u>Paramus</u>, <u>Emerson</u> and <u>Ridgewood</u>. Teens and pre-teens from Fair Lawn Jewish Center, Temple Beth Sholom Fair Lawn, Jewish Community Center of Paramus/Congregation Beth Tikvah, Congregation B'nai Israel (Emerson), and Temple Israel and JCC (Ridgewood) will be coming together for fun and exciting youth programs.

Who is the Kadima advisor? My name is Shira Goldstein and I am excited to be the FLIPPER Kadima advisor! I recently graduated from University of Massachusetts Amherst and am in the process of applying to graduate school for a Master of Social Work (MSW) program. I remember my experiences as a Kadimanik and want to share my love of Kadima with your middle school children! The fun I had in Kadima led me to be active in USY in high school. I loved going to regional events and making Jewish friends all over New Jersey. Kadima is a great way to make friends and feel part of a larger Jewish community. I hope your children will come experience it with me!

What is planned for Kadima for the coming year? We have lots of fun activities planned for this year! So far our ideas include a pool party, build your own edible sukkah, dinner and a movie, ice skating, a trampoline park, apple picking, chocolate seder, bowling, rock climbing and lounge nights at the synagogues. If you have suggestions or activities you think the kids would enjoy, we are always open for suggestions! Can't wait to see you all in the fall!

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