

Membership and Tuition Fees Information 2025-2026

Below is the information you will need before filling out our online membership application form at www.secularjewish.org. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Elisa Lapine at elisa@secularjewish.org or (773) 977-8727.

Annual Membership Dues

(Note: adult SJCS membership is required for enrollment of children in our Sunday School)

Two Adult Household: **\$850**

One Adult Household: **\$425**

Long-term members (5 years or more) without children in the Sunday School are eligible for a 50% discount.

Sunday School Fees per Student

(Note: all enrolled students must have a Sunday School information form completed each year)

Preschool (under age 4): **\$420** per child

Pre-K (age 4) through 6th grade: **\$575** per child

B-Mitzvah class: **\$785** per child

No family will be turned away due to lack of funds. If you are unable to pay the full annual dues and/or tuition, you can simply indicate the amount(s) you can afford on the registration form. Providing that information will help the Treasurer with budget planning.

Payment Options: You will be able to submit payment using Zelle or by check. Payment can be made in full, or with quarterly or monthly payments to treasurer@secularjewish.org

There is also an option to make an additional tax-deductible donation to the following funds:

SJCS Community Fund - to be used to supplement reduced tuition/dues and maintain adequate reserves.

Joe Jordan & Lester Newman Memorial Naches Fund - to be used to provide the B'nai students with a small Judaica gift from the Community in honor of becoming B'nai Mitzvah.

The Leo Sigunick fund - unrestricted funds to be used for Community spirit and engagement.

SJCS Post-Secondary Education Scholarship – a scholarship of up to \$500 per student towards their educational endeavors in a two-year or four-year college/university, trade school or apprenticeship program.

- As a member-led organization, we rely on our members to contribute their time and expertise to our community. Opportunities include helping with or coordinating holiday celebrations, PADS (food for Housing Forward/homeless individuals), the bake sale, or Day in our Village; and serving on the Board of Directors or one of our committees (Sunday School, Holidays, Marketing, Social Action, Mitzvah, Adult Ed).
- SJCS is a 501(c)(3) organization. Consistent with tax regulation, membership and contributions are tax deductible. Tuition is not tax deductible.