

# OHHEL CHANA

WERDIGER LEARNING INSTITUTE

*Melbourne, Victoria*

*Australia*

*under the auspices of*

*Chabad Institutions of Australia Inc.*

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*Bringing girls from around the world together in the pursuit  
of academic excellence in an atmosphere of Torah,  
chassidus and community involvement*

*General Information Booklet*

*2010/11-5771*

# OHEL CHANA

Thank you for your interest in Ohel Chana, Melbourne Australia. Ohel Chana's main aim is for you and your fellow students to have a wonderful year, which will further your growth in yiras shamayim, chassidishkeit and limud haTorah and help formulate your outlook and direction in life.

When a student comes to Ohel Chana it is assumed that she is here of her own volition and has come for a year of serious learning, creating an atmosphere of sincerity and diligence throughout the day.

In addition to maintaining a high academic standard, students must keep in mind the expectations of them in Melbourne, a city with a Beth Rivkah of 750 students from preschool to Year 12. Beth Rivkah students regard a girl who attends Ohel Chana as a living example of a chassidishe girl. Ohel Chana students have a great influence on these schoolgirls both directly and indirectly. They also help in setting the standard of tznius for all the Beth Rivkah students. It is therefore imperative that Ohel Chana students reflect the highest standard of tznius in attitude, dress and conduct.

Please read through this booklet carefully to see what Ohel Chana offers the prospective student. You will find enclosed an application form. If you decide to proceed with your application, please complete the forms and ensure that all the necessary documents are submitted to the Ohel Chana office by Sunday 1 February 2009 by post/fax/email.

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## **ACADEMIC**

The learning ethic must be of top priority. There are approximately 8 hours of classes each day Monday through Thursday, half-day Friday and evening classes on Sunday.

Students are expected to be punctual and prepared for all classes. Unexcused absences and tardiness will be reflected on the students' transcripts and may result in the student not receiving her Diploma, at the discretion of the Hanhala. Blatant cases of misbehavior and deliberate flaunting of Ohel Chana rules may result in the student being requested to leave the seminary.

Classes are:

Monday	8.00am-12pm	2.00pm-4.00pm	7.00pm-9.00pm
Tuesday	8.00am-12pm	2.00pm-4.00pm	7.00pm-9.00pm
Wednesday	8.00am-12pm	2.00pm-4.00pm	7.00pm-9.00pm
Thursday	8.00am-12pm	2.00pm-4.00pm	8.00pm-9.00pm
Friday	8.00am-12pm		
Sunday			7.00pm-9.00pm

There are additional evening programs as well. These include regular farbrengens and voluntary shiurim. During out of learning hours students can relax with gym and sport activities.

As girls are completing their academic schooling and are preparing to go out into the world of shlichus we have additional programs to help prepare them. These include mitzvot, shlichus preparation courses and teacher training sessions.

Shabbatons, excursions and other exciting activities are also part of the program.

**COURSE DESCRIPTION**  
**DIPLOMA OF ADVANCED JEWISH EDUCATION FOR WOMEN 21514VIC**

Subject	Classes Per Week	Sub Headings	Description
Chassidus	2	Tanya	In depth study of selected perakim in Tanya
	1	Maamorim	Study of the Rebbe's Maamorim
	1	Rashi Sichos	The Rebbe's shifah in limud Rashi
	1	Inyonei Moshiach	The study of Sichos relevant to Inyonei Moshiach
	1	General Chassidus	Terms and concepts of Chassidus
	2	Yomim Tovim	The Jewish calendar according to Chassidus
	1	Darkei H'Chassidus	The History and "Arum" of Chassidus
	1	The Essence of Chassidus	The Rebbe's sicha explaining the nature and ideas of Chassidic philosophy
	1	Kabbalah	In-depth study of the 10 Sefiros and the Aleph Bais according to Chassidus
Gemorah	1	Gemorah	An insight into the workings of the Talmud
	1	Ein Yaakov	Selected stories and ethics found in the Talmud
Halachah	1	Shabbos	Study of the laws of Shabbos in the Alter Rebbe's Shulchan Aruch
	1	Development of Halachah	Tracing the development of the Halachic process from Chumash all the way to modern times
	1	Orach Chaim	Laws of Birchos Hanehenin according to the Alter Rebbe

	1	Issur V'Heter	Practical laws of Yoreh Deah from the Shulchan Aruch
	1	Halichos Yisroel	Various halachic and contemporary Jewish issues
	1	Bayis Yehudi	The Rebbe's hashkafah on women's issues and building a chassidishe home.
	1	Da Ma Shetoshiv	How to reply to FAQs about contemporary Judaism and Chassidus
History	1	Jewish History	A study of historical issues in Jewish life over the last 2000 years.
Parshat Hashavua	1		A study of the weekly Parsha
Tanach	3	Bereishis	In depth study of Chumash Bereishis with Meforshim
	1	Shmuel/Melachim	Study of parts of Neviim Rishonim
General	1	Sefer Hashlichus	Challenges and solutions in preparation for shlichus
Teaching Methods	2		A practical course developing skills for teaching in today's environment
Chavrusa	4	Sichos	The opportunity to learn Sichos or other Chassidus B'Chavrusa
Voluntary additional shiurim and Activities	8	These include Shiurim Sport Bnos activities Hadracha and Practical Shlichus/Teaching	These are held mostly in the evenings and after classes. Some of these are optional.

(Enclosed you will find a sample timetable)

## **ACCOMMODATION**

Full accommodation and all meals are provided on the premises. The cost of accommodation is included in the fees charged.

We are delighted to advise that the newly renovated and greatly expanded dormitory building has been completed. The new facility comprises new bedrooms, bathrooms, kitchens, dining facilities, a library, computer room and lounge and recreational areas. The \$2 million facility is one of Chabad's finest live-in seminaries.

## **SHLICHUS/HAFOTZAH WORK**

In expanding the spiritual growth and breadth of experience of the student in preparation for their future shlichus, they have the opportunity to become involved in:

### **Yomim Tovim**

Students have the option on Yomim Tovim to go to different shluchim to help with programs in their Chabad Houses and shules. Arrangements must be made with the permission of the Hanhala. Parental permission is also necessary for girls traveling out of town.

### **Bnos**

Our students are expected to be involved with the Beth Rivkah girls during the week; (e.g. shiurim, activities, lunchtime and after school visits, newspaper etc.). This is in addition to the Bnos groups on shabbos. Ohel Chana students will come to realize that they have a large responsibility to the school students through being a living example of a chassidishe girl in dress, activities and personal behaviour

### **Camp**

During the summer holidays, students are heavily involved in the planning and running of B'nos activities and Gan Israel Camp. They can participate in the camp programs as madrichot, giving

shiurim to the students during camp and other areas of responsibility as well.

We encourage students to participate in other optional peulos:

- a) The students have the opportunity to work in a “Sunday School” environment with students from other communities through either United Jewish Education Board or Talmud Torahs at Chabad houses or local shules.
- b) Ohel Chana girls are involved in other hafotzah work such as mitzvot, hospital visits, etc
- c) Opportunities are also available for Ohel Chana girls to help families in need of extra support in the home.

## **FACULTY**

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Dean	Rabbi Levy Tenenbaum	03 9527 9633 BH 03 9527 8558 AH Mobile: when dialing from overseas 0011 61419 613222
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Director of Student services Mrs Rivkah Groner	0438 613 660
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Administration Office Rivka Sufrin Fax no:	03 9522 8258 BH 03 9522 8286 BH
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When calling these numbers from overseas, the country code you should add is 613, and delete the 03 before the number.

**For further information and regular updates, please visit our website at [www.ohelchana.edu.au](http://www.ohelchana.edu.au)**

## Sample Time Table

PERIOD	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
8.00 – 8.40	DAVENING	DAVENING	DAVENING	DAVENING	DAVENING
8.40 – 8.55	BREAKFAST	BREAKFAST	BREAKFAST	BREAKFAST	BREAKFAST
9.00 – 10.00	CHUMASH	THE ESSENCE OF CHASSIDUS	A NAVI B SEFER HASHLICHUS	DEVELOPMENT OF HALACHA	HALACHA OC
10.00 - 10.55	EIN YAACOV HISTORY	NOSEIM B'CHASSIDUS	A SEFER HASHLICHUS B NAVI	DA MA SHETOSHIV	RASHI SICHOS
11.00 - 12.00	A BAYIS YEHUDI B	INYONEI MOSHIACH	MAAMORIM	CHUMASH	YOMIM TOVIM
12.00 – 2.00	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
2.00 - 3.00	CONTEMPORARY HALACHIC ISSUES	HILCHOS SHABBOS	TEACHING METHODS	TEACHING METHODS	<b><u>MIVTZOIM</u></b>
3.00 – 3.50	CHAVRUSA	CHAVRUSA	CHAVRUSA	CHAVRUSA	
3.50- 4.00	MINCHA	MINCHA	MINCHA	MINCHA	
4.00- 7.00	BREAK AND DINNER	BREAK AND DINNER	BREAK AND DINNER	BREAK AND DINNER	
7.00 - 8.00	ISSUR V'HETER	GEMORRAH	TANYA	NO CLASS	
8.00 - 9.00	ADVANCED CHASSIDUS	PARSHA	YOMIM TOVIM	Once a month Practical Shlichus/ Teaching	
Voluntary Shiurim/ Activities	9.05 pm HISKASHRUS SHIUR	9.15–10.30pm SPORT	9.00-9.30 pm HADRACHA BNOS	9.15 pm FABRENGEN	
SUNDAY	7.00 pm-8.00 pm TANYA	8.00 pm-9.00 pm LEADERSHIP TRAINING	9.00 pm WEEKLY DUCH TO THE REBBE		

**APPLICATION FORM 5771 – 2010/11**

STUDENT'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
 (as on passport) Surname \_\_\_\_\_ Full name \_\_\_\_\_

HEBREW NAME IN FULL \_\_\_\_\_

PREFERRED NAME TO BE CALLED \_\_\_\_\_

HOME ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_

STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTRY \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE NO \_\_\_\_\_ FAX NO \_\_\_\_\_ CELL NO \_\_\_\_\_

SECULAR DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_ day \_\_\_\_\_ month \_\_\_\_\_ year

HEBREW DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_ day \_\_\_\_\_ month \_\_\_\_\_ year

COUNTRY OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_ NATIONALITY \_\_\_\_\_

FATHER'S FULL NAME \_\_\_\_\_

RABBI  DR  MR  HEBREW NAME \_\_\_\_\_

OCCUPATION \_\_\_\_\_

BUSINESS/INSTITUTION NAME \_\_\_\_\_

BUSINESS/INSTITUTION ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

BUSINESS/INSTITUTION TELEPHONE NO \_\_\_\_\_ FAX NO \_\_\_\_\_

CELL NO \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

MOTHER'S FULL NAME \_\_\_\_\_ MAIDEN NAME \_\_\_\_\_

MOTHER'S FULL HEBREW NAME \_\_\_\_\_

OCCUPATION \_\_\_\_\_ BUSINESS/INSTITUTION NAME \_\_\_\_\_

BUSINESS/INSTITUTION ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

BUSINESS/INSTITUTION TELEPHONE NO \_\_\_\_\_ FAX NO \_\_\_\_\_

CELL NO \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT'S MARITAL STATUS: \_\_\_\_\_

**STUDENT INFORMATION**

SCHOOL CURRENTLY ATTENDING \_\_\_\_\_ YEAR LEVEL \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF PRINCIPAL \_\_\_\_\_ SCHOOL PH. NO \_\_\_\_\_

HIGH SCHOOL/S ATTENDED (YEARS) \_\_\_\_\_

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Will this be your first time living in a dormitory? \_\_\_\_\_  
 If not, please specify when & where you have lived \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF CAMP ATTENDED IN SUMMER 2009 \_\_\_\_\_  
 POSITION \_\_\_\_\_  
 NAME OF REFERENCE & CONTACT NO. \_\_\_\_\_  
 CITY, COUNTRY \_\_\_\_\_

**REFERENCES** (Please attach letters of recommendation, one from a teacher/principal and one from someone who knows you through extra-curricular activities)

1. NAME OF REFEREE \_\_\_\_\_ CONTACT PHONE NO \_\_\_\_\_  
POSITION \_\_\_\_\_  
How long have you known this person? \_\_\_\_\_

2. NAME OF REFEREE \_\_\_\_\_ CONTACT PHONE NO \_\_\_\_\_  
POSITION \_\_\_\_\_  
How long have you known this person? \_\_\_\_\_

Name, address and telephone number of closest relative in Melbourne:  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please state any hobbies, skills, interests and special talents you have:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Have you been involved in a Youth Movement in any leadership role? YES  NO   
If yes, which one? \_\_\_\_\_

Describe any involvement in extra curricular activities e.g. camps, Bnos Chabad, Tzivos Hashem etc.  
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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

What are some of the projects and or extra curricular activities you would like to be involved in while in seminary?  
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\_\_\_\_\_

Do you say Chitas \_\_\_\_\_  sometimes  most of the time  daily  
How much time do you spend on your Chitas \_\_\_\_\_ minutes

How would you describe your learning level

I can learn a Sicha on my own	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
I can learn a Ma'amar on my own	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
I can prepare a Parsha on my own	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
with Rashi	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
with Meforshim	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No

In a few sentences, please tell us why you would like to come to Ohel Chana in Melbourne, Australia  
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Please tell us something about your aspirations for the future and where you would like to see yourself in 10 years time.  
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## OHEL CHANA

### Principal's/Mechaneches' confidential report on applicant

**To Applicant:** Please give this page to your Principal/Mechaneches to fill in and to send to us directly.

Dear Principal/Mechaneches

Thank you for your cooperation in completing this recommendation form. The information given will be held in the strictest confidence. Please keep this information confidential. Do not return to the student but fax this directly to 613 9522 8286.

Name of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

	Please tick the appropriate column	Below Average	Average	Very Good	Excellent
1	Chassidishe behaviour				
2	Yiras Shamayim				
3	Derech Eretz				
4	Kabbolas Ol				
5	Modest in attire and appearance				
6	Academic achievement				
7	Academic ability				
8	Academic motivation				
9	Pursuit of independent study				
10	Contributes to class discussion				
11	Disciplined work habits				
12	Punctuality				
13	Self confidence				
14	Emotional stability				
15	Positive Outlook				
16	Adaption to change				
17	Accepts personal responsibility				
18	Leadership qualities				
19	Social skills				
20	Respect for authority				
21	Consideration for others				
22	Midos				
23	Interest in religious growth				

**Three adjectives that best describe this student:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Comments:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Principal      Name of Mechaneches      Signature      Date

Name of School \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

No. of students in graduating class \_\_\_\_\_

Overall description of graduating class \_\_\_\_\_

This information is important to us. It will enable us to accurately evaluate your student.

Please fax to: Rabbi Levy Tenenbaum

613 9522 8286