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# COLOR WAR 2023

Team Shamayim-Heaven
Team Eretz-Earth





#### COLOR WAR 2022-2023

Welcome to COLOR WAR Final Presentations!

Tonight you will see the culmination of a competition between Team Shamayim-Heaven and Team Eretz-Earth that has taken place this past week. Both teams have been accruing points in each of the many competitions that have already taken place, but the winner of COLOR WAR will be decided tonight because tonight's major competitions (song, dance, banner/visual presentation and room) are worth many more points than the previous competitions.

#### WHAT GOES ON DURING THE WEEK OF COLOR WAR?

**COLOR WAR** began on Monday with a surprise breakout. Since Monday, competitions have been held each day. Competitions include Relays, Egg Toss, Tug O' War, Assorted Board Games, Original Showcase, Sporting Events, Silly Games, D'vrei Torah, Lip Sync, and Judaic challenges.

In the evenings, students gathered at school to prepare for events, especially the Final Presentations. While this is a competition, the spirit of cooperation and B'Tzelem Elokim—the commitment to treat each other with respect, honor, sensitivity and dignity are always stressed.

#### WHY COLOR WAR?

**COLOR WAR** is a unique school tradition that emerged early in the history of the school. Most students love this experience and feel it is the highlight of the year, but there is a value in **COLOR WAR** that goes far beyond fun; it is also a time of intense learning and growth.

Why would a dual curriculum school take precious time away from its classroom studies to run competitions such as "tug of war," "quiz bowl," and "academic decathlon"? **COLOR WAR** is an empowering experience that incorporates academic, athletic, artistic and Judaic components to provide students with a wide range of opportunities to develop leadership skills, build closer bonds with other students school-wide and undertake new and varied challenges. Many students shine in the classroom in one subject or another but students possess many talents that are never revealed by the regular curriculum. Each year students amaze us with a side during **COLOR WAR** that we've never seen in our academic day. **Developing creativity and leadership**—two qualities, which are central to our goals, can be done in this forum in an unparalleled fashion. On these days, future student leaders are born.

Alumni consistently tell us that the skills they develop in **COLOR WAR** serve them well in college and beyond because of the opportunities it gives them to work together, make decisions, manage time, set priorities, problem solve, resolve conflict, cooperate, delegate and compromise.

#### WHAT WILL YOU SEE TONIGHT?

Students will present their decorated rooms (displayed earlier), dance, and banner that represent their team's theme.

After both teams have presented their Final Presentations, our panel of judges will leave the room to decide the outcome of **COLOR WAR**. During this time both teams will leave for the final competition---**CLEAN UP**. Teams have 20 minutes to clean all the rooms, hallways and common areas used this week.

When the teams return from cleaning up, the winner of **COLOR WAR** will be announced. You will probably see both cheers and tears when the final winner is named but you will also see

students coming together shortly after the event concludes. To help students reunify after a week of intense competition, all DJDS Upper Division students are invited for pizza, dessert and drinks. While there, students can share each other's company and relax after a great, but exhausting week.

#### How are winners determined?

Each major event – room, dance, song, banner – is judged separately. Please note that team captains have been given copies of the specific criteria used by the judges to compare and weigh performances for each of the events. Teams are advised to prepare presentations with these standards in mind. Judging criteria vary from event to event but can include such standards as involvement of all participants, incorporation of team theme and colors, creativity, and effective use of space, just to name a few. Points earned in the major events are added to the accumulated totals from all the other competitions over the entire three days of **COLOR WAR**. The team with the highest total number of points wins. Since the students have the potential to win thousands of points, a tie is highly unlikely, but not impossible.

If you have any additional questions about COLOR WAR, please contact:

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# Teams:

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Sam Altberger, Ari Auster, Ben Brunschwig, Shira Miller, Aharon Mullakandov, Jonathan Noam, Ilan Schinagel, Emi Asarch, Ari Bates-Erlich, Sami Cohen, Megan Coughlan, Maya Friedlander, Lev Friedman, Shiloh Hoffman, Tyler Marshall, Lior Rafailov, Keenan Winnerman, Leila Friedman, Patrick Marshall, Shira Merenstein, Julia Perlmutter, Emanuel Sezanayev, Benny Bayerman, Alan Gelman, Karen Gerecht, Soren Goldberg-Butler, Ari Greher, Hannah Gruenwald, Bayla Milobsky, Michael Rafailov, Sofia Ramirez, Liat Segev, Maytal Segev, Eli Shamayev, Ian Boyd, Shoham Cohen, Cooper Coughlan, Vivienne Hill, Maya Joly, Nathan Mullakandov, Joey Tesler, Eitan Alperstein, Tony Bates-Erlich, Kobi Benel, Sasha Bennett, Otis Berman, Jonah Eison, Tamar Goldberg-Butler, Sharona Hoffman, Nicole Kireva, Noah Kutnick, Mia Noy, Jane Roslyn, Nia Samake, Elinor Sezanayev, Bella Strear, Katya Zabarsky, Joss Beren, Ziv Brody, Reuben Friedlander, Natania Hibshman, Tayben Mandel, Jane McLaughlin, Jonah Ramirez, Max Raphaely, Zach Richman, Jonah Rojhani, Rachel Rojhani, Talhia Rojhani, Lea Verbolovskiy, Kiya Woods, Sydney Zimmerman



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Bella Aizenberg, Avi Cohn, Gavin Foonberg, Rachel Kaufmann, Nathan Rotenberg, Josh Segal, Andrew Zimmerman, Aaron Daniel, Levi Engbar, Hannah Katsenelson, David Romershteyn, Erika Ruin, Lavi Trujillo, Skyelar Weiss, Mia Wexler, David Aizenberg, Ruby Friedman, Armando Garcia-HaLevi, Alyssa Kaufmann, Heather Kletzky, Ella Manor, Daniel Slack, Eden Bichachi, Solly Bielsky, Jackson Brooks, Holden Demain, Naama Gibor, Sophia Gitler, Russell Greenstein, Evan Kornbluth, Rachel Kornbluth, David Monastyrskiy, Isaac Nieder, Penina Pinkhas, Abigail Sarikov, Elijah Segal, Ronen Trujillo, Bella Zall, Thalia Benjamin, Drew Kaplan, Naomi Kimel, Kaitlin Schatz, Julie Steiner, Jonah Weitzenfeld, Adam Abbasi, Revital Abramova, Izzy Barter, Gabrielle Berger, Zeke Brooks, Mara Demain, Oren Felsen, Nitzaliah Festinger, Amital Gibor, Maya Karlitz, Emma Loewenthal, Anna Monastyrskaya, Levi Pfaff, Mia Sabay, Lily Weiner, Jake Wexler, Nadav Yaakobi, Ronan Beale, Adi Bielsky, Emmie Cohen, Miles Cohen, Chayim Estreicher, Dara Greenstein, Sadie Kimel, Noam Koel, Tali Kraft, Zahava Levy, Erica Long, Elan Malka, Shoshi Sax, Jolie Scharg, Zeev Shlomo, Nadav Shwartz, Noah Wilkin