



SCHOOL NAME

Board Retreat

Date

Introduction

SCHOOL NAME has a unique Jewish mission in CITY, STATE, and your board is the caretaker of that mission. Investing in the development of your board is a vital component of ensuring your ability to think and act strategically towards achieving that mission in the best interests of your school, the professionals employed there, and the children educated there.

The goal of this retreat is to enhance SCHOOL's board organization, strategic functioning, and health through targeted coaching and facilitation. We've designed this board retreat to:

- introduce board members to the fundamentals of healthy school governance with an eye towards the Jewish values that underpin them;
- give you the chance to practice new skills and systems; and
- strike a balance between widely-accepted "best practices" and the unique needs and ethos of SCHOOL

We will start this retreat by understanding the working dynamics of the group followed by sharing data gathered through the Board Self-Assessment (BSA) tool to help your board learn about its current practices and benchmark them against other independent schools and non-profit organizations.



SCHEDULE

3:00pm: Welcome, introductions, framing the day

3:30pm: Compass Points: understanding the dynamics of your board

4:15 pm: Review BSA results and implications

5:00 pm: Break

5:15 pm: Overview of board duties and responsibilities: a case study

6:30 pm: Dinner

7:00 pm: Focus on: board structure and committees

8:00 pm: Preview of future work, closing, and reflection

8:30 pm: *L'hitra'ot*