

Application: Hebrew Language Academy Charter School

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2024-2025 Annual Report

Summary

ID: 0000000086
Status: Annual Report Submission

Entry 1 – School Information and Cover Page

Completed - Jul 31 2025

Instructions

Required of ALL Charter Schools

Each Annual Report begins with a completed School Information and Cover Page. The information is collected in a survey format within the Annual Report Portal. When entering information in the portal, some of the following items may not appear, depending on your authorizer and/or your responses to related items.

Entry 1 – School Information and Cover Page

(New schools that were not open for instruction for the 2024-2025 school year are not required to complete or submit an annual report this year).

Please be advised that you will need to complete this cover page (including signatures) before all of the other tasks assigned to you by your school's authorizer are visible on your task page. While completing this cover page task, please ensure that you select the correct authorizer (as of June 30, 2025) or you may not be assigned the correct tasks.

BASIC INFORMATION

a. LEGAL SCHOOL NAME (as chartered)

(Select name from the drop down menu)

Hebrew Language Academy Charter School

b. Unofficial or Popular School Name

HLA

c. CHARTER AUTHORIZER (As of June 30th, 2025)

Please select the correct authorizer as of June 30, 2025 or you may not be assigned the correct tasks.

NEW YORK CITY CHANCELLOR OF EDUCATION

c. School Unionized

Is your charter school unionized?

No

d. District/CSD of Location

New York City Community School District #22

e. Date of Approved Initial Charter

Jul 1 2025

f. Date School First Opened for Instruction

Sep 1 2009

g. Approved School Mission

(Regents, NYCDOE, and Buffalo BOE-authorized schools only)

Hebrew Language Academy Charter School (HLA) provides students with the academic and personal foundation necessary to successfully pursue advanced studies and achieve continued personal growth as ethical and informed global citizens. In order to accomplish this, HLA offers an academically rigorous K-8 curriculum which includes daily instruction in the Hebrew language.

h. Approved Key Design Elements

(Regents, NYCDOE, and Buffalo BOE-authorized schools only)

- 1) OLAM Values
 - Outstanding Problem-Solving
 - Lifelong Learning
 - Aware Communication
 - Making a Difference
- 2) Modern Hebrew Language
- 3) Differentiated Instruction
- 4) Professional Development
- 5) Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) and Supports
- 6) Diversity
- 7) Partnership with Hebrew Public

i. School Website Address

<https://hebrewpublic.org/schools/hla/>

j. Authorized Charter Enrollment for 2024-2025 School Year

650

k. Actual Enrollment on June 30, 2025, Excluding Pre-K Program Enrollment

604

l. Grades Served

Grades served during the 2024-2025 school year (exclude Pre-K program students):

Responses Selected:

Kindergarten
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8

m. Charter Management Organization/Educational Management Organization

Do you have a [Charter Management Organization](#)?

Yes

m1. Charter Management Organization Name

Include required contact information (email address and telephone number) below.

Hebrew Public

m2. Charter Management Organization Email Address

cmancini@hebrewpublic.org

m3. Charter Management Organization Phone Number

908-405-8456

FACILITIES INFORMATION

n. FACILITIES: Owned, rented, or leased to educate students

Will the school maintain or operate multiple sites in 2025-2026?

No, just one site.

School Site 1 (Primary)

n1. SCHOOL SITES

Please provide information on Site 1 for the upcoming school year.

	Physical Address	Phone Number	District/CSD	Grades Served at Site for 2024-2025 School Year (K-5, 6-9, etc.)	Grades to be Served at Site for 2025-2026 school year (K-5, 6-9, etc.)	Receives Rental Assistance for Which Grades (If yes, enter the appropriate grades. If no, enter No).
Site 1	2186 Mill Ave.	718-377-7200	New York City Community School District #22	K-8		

n1a. Please provide the contact information for Site 1.

	Name	Title	Work Phone	Alternate Phone	Email Address
School Leader	Daniella Steinberg-Perez	Head of School	917-769-9815		DSteinberg@hla-charterschool.org .
Operational Leader	Gerard Del Rosario	Director of Operations	929-423-5427		gdelrosario@hla-charterschool.org .
Compliance Contact	Chelsea Mancini	Managing Director of Network Operations	908-405-8456		cmancini@hebrewpublic.org .
Complaint Contact	Emily Fernandez	Chief Schools Officer	212-792-6234		efernandez@hebrewpublic.org .
DASA Coordinator	Daniella Steinberg-Perez	Head of School	917-769-9815		DSteinberg@hla-charterschool.org .
Phone Contact for After Hours Emergencies	Gerard Del Rosario	Director of Operations	929-423-5427		gdelrosario@hla-charterschool.org .

n1b. Is site 1 in public space or in private space?

Private Space

n1c. Is site 1 in a co-located or not in a co-located facility?

Responses Selected:

Not Co-Located

IF LOCATED IN PRIVATE SPACE IN NYC OR IN DISTRICTS OUTSIDE NYC

n1e. Upload a current Certificate of Occupancy (COO) and the annual Fire Inspection Report for school site 1 if located in private space in NYC or located outside of NYC .

Certificate of Occupancy and Fire Inspection. Provide a copy of a current and non-expired certificate of occupancy (if outside NYC or in private space in NYC). For schools that are not in district space (NYC co-locations), provide a copy of a current and non-expired certificate of occupancy, and a copy of the current annual fire inspection results, which should be dated on or after July 1, 2025.

Fire inspection certificates must be updated annually. For the upcoming school year 2025-2026, please submit a current fire inspection certificate.

If the fire inspection certificate will expire between the August 1, 2025 submission of the Annual Report and the November 3 Annual Report submission, please submit the new certificate with the Annual Report entries due no later than 11:59 PM on November 3, 2025.

Site 1 Certificate of Occupancy (COO)

[HLA Cert of Occupancy.pdf](#)

Filename: HLA Cert of Occupancy.pdf Size: 68.2 kB

Site 1 Fire Inspection Report

This is required, marked optional for administrative purposes.

[2186 MILL AVENUE.pdf](#)

Filename: 2186 MILL AVENUE.pdf Size: 310.3 kB

o. List of owned, rented, or leased facilities not used to educate students and the purpose of each.

Separate by semi-colon (;)

n/a

p1. Total Number of School Calendar Days

182

p2. Total Number of Anticipated Hours of Instruction by Month (Entries are required for all months. Enter a zero for months with no instructional hours.)

July 2025	0
August 2025	9
September 2025	126
October 2025	130
November 2025	108
December 2025	111
January 2026	126
February 2026	97
March 2026	143
April 2026	100
May 2026	113
June 2026	129

CHARTER REVISIONS DURING THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR

q. Summary of Material and Non-Material Charter Revisions submitted or approved since August 1, 2024, including updates to the school’s board of trustees’ by-laws, enrollment policy, discipline policy, or complaint policy.

Please note, listing the revisions here does not constitute a request. Schools are advised to seek revision requests through their authorizer directly.

Does the school have any material or non-material revision requests that have been submitted or approved since August 1, 2024?

No

ATTESTATIONS

r. Name/Position of Person Completing/Submitting the 2024-2025 Annual Report. (To write type in a phone number with an extension, please use this format: 123-456-7890-3. The dash and number 3 at the end of the phone number refers to the individual's phone extension. Do not type in the work extension or the abbreviation for it - just the dash and the extension number after the phone number).

Name	Joey Rotter
Position	Associate Director of Special Projects
Phone/Extension	773-750-9644
Email	jrotter@hebrewpublic.org

s. Our signatures (Executive Director/School Leader/Head of School and Board President) below attest that all of the information contained herein is truthful and accurate and that this charter school is in compliance with all aspects of its charter, and with all pertinent Federal, State, and local laws, regulations, and rules. We understand that if any information in any part of this report is found to have been deliberately misrepresented, this will constitute grounds for the revocation of our charter.

Click **YES** to agree and then use the mouse on your PC or the stylus on your mobile device to sign your name).

Responses Selected:

Yes

As outlined in ENTRY 7 (Employee Fingerprint Requirements Attestation):


Our E-Signatures (not digital signatures) (Executive Director/School Leader/Head of School and Board President) below attest that our school has reviewed, understands and will comply with the employee clearance and fingerprint requirements as outlined in Entry 7 and found in the [NYSED CSO Fingerprint Clearance Oct 2019 Memo](#). Click **YES** to agree.

Responses Selected:

Yes

Signature, Head of Charter School

(If you are not signing the application now, please click "Clear" on both signature fields before saving this task or else the system will return an error.)

A handwritten signature in black ink on a light gray background. The signature is written in a cursive style and reads "Daniella Steinberg".

Signature, President of the Board of Trustees

(If you are not signing the application now, please click "Clear" on both signature fields before saving this task or else the system will return an error.)

Ellen Huen

Date

Jul 31 2025

Thank you.





FDNY

Jun 16, 2025

HEBREW LANGUAGE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL MIDDLE
SCHOOL (HLA)

2186 Mill Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11234--6308

Re: Fire Safety Inspection Report

BIN: 3332530

FDNY Account: 37167871

DCID:

Facility Type: Charter School

DBA: HEBREW LANGUAGE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
MIDDLE SCHOOL (HLA)

Premises: 2186 MILL AVENUE BROOKLYN NY 11234

To Whom It May Concern:

The New York City Fire Department ("FDNY"), Bureau of Fire Prevention, Public Building Inspection Unit conducted an inspection of the above-referenced premises on 05/15/2025 at 11:03 AM

The inspection of the above-referenced premises and review of records maintained for such premises **DISCLOSED** the existence of unsafe and non-compliant fire and life safety conditions contrary to the requirements of the New York City Fire Code and/or other law, rule or regulation enforced by the Fire Department and within the scope of the inspection conducted by the above-referenced inspectional unit. Please use the FDNY Business portal to review non-compliant conditions, the link to which is as follows: <https://fires.fdnyccloud.org>. Such conditions must be promptly corrected to maintain the premises safe for use and occupancy.



The inspection of the above-referenced premises and review of records maintained for such premises **DID NOT DISCLOSE** the existence of unsafe or non-compliant fire or life safety conditions contrary to requirements of the New York City Fire Code or other law, rule or regulation enforced by the Fire Department and within the scope of the inspection conducted by the above-referenced inspectional unit.

This report does not constitute a permit or other FDNY approval for any material, operation of facility at the premises. FDNY does not certify that the premises are free from any unsafe or non-compliant condition for which the premises has not been inspected by the above-referenced inspectional unit or that would not be disclosed by inspection in accordance with standard FDNY inspection protocols.

By Order of the Chief of Fire
Prevention

Fire Department, City of New York
9 MetroTech Center, Brooklyn New York 11201-3857

Certificate of Occupancy

CO Number: 320521164F

This certifies that the premises described herein conforms substantially to the approved plans and specifications and to the requirements of all applicable laws, rules and regulations for the uses and occupancies specified. No change of use or occupancy shall be made unless a new Certificate of Occupancy is issued. *This document or a copy shall be available for inspection at the building at all reasonable times.*

A. Borough: Brooklyn Address: 2186 MILL AVENUE Building Identification Number (BIN): 3332530	Block Number: 08470 Lot Number(s): 1091 Building Type: Altered	Certificate Type: Final Effective Date: 04/12/2018
This building is subject to this Building Code: Prior to 1968 Code		
<i>For zoning lot metes & bounds, please see BISWeb.</i>		
B. Construction classification: 1-B (2014/2008 Code) Building Occupancy Group classification: E (2014/2008 Code) Multiple Dwelling Law Classification: None		
No. of stories: 3 Height in feet: 45 No. of dwelling units: 0		
C. Fire Protection Equipment: Fire alarm system, Sprinkler system		
D. Type and number of open spaces: Parking spaces (24), Parking (16117 square feet)		
E. This Certificate is issued with the following legal limitations: None		
Borough Comments: None		



Borough Commissioner



Commissioner



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Permissible Use and Occupancy						
All Building Code occupancy group designations below are 2008 designations.						
Floor From To	Maximum persons permitted	Live load lbs per sq. ft.	Building Code occupancy group	Dwelling or Rooming Units	Zoning use group	Description of use
OS P		OG	E		03	PARKING SPACES IN CONJUNCTION WITH COMMUNITY FACILITY, TOTAL 24 PARKING SPACE.
001 001 240	40		E		03	CLASSROOMS & ACCESSORY OFFICES, AND ACCESSORY STORAGE
001 001 660	100		A-3		03	GYMNASIUM (282), AUDITORIUM (564), CAFETERIA (96)
002 002 521	40		E		03	CLASSROOMS & ACCESSORY OFFICES, AND ACCESSORY STORAGE
003 003 598	40		E		03	CLASSROOMS & ACCESSORY OFFICES, AND ACCESSORY STORAGE
RO F			E		03	ELEVATOR BULKHEAD, STAIR BULKHEAD
ZONING EXHIBIT I AND III, CRFN# 2016000005467 AND 2016000005466						
END OF SECTION						



Borough Commissioner



Commissioner

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