



Dear Parent:

Menucha, Inc. is happy to provide your child with a volunteer. Over the years, we have compiled these guidelines to help make the experience optimal for everyone.

1. A parent must be at home as long as your volunteer is with your child. You do not have to be in the same room or vicinity, but be sure to let your volunteer know where you are, and that s/he should feel free to ask you a question anytime.
2. Think of the visits in terms of play-dates rather than babysitting. Remember that the volunteer is not a therapist and will need time to learn about your child. You are the best teacher. You may want to have a list of activities that your child enjoys handy for the volunteer so that s/he doesn't need to question you too often.
3. Offer food or drink. Especially on a hot Shabbos afternoon. Also, if the volunteer is at your house for more than three hours, or during a mealtime, a meal should be offered to the volunteer.
4. If your volunteer is late, gently mention that you would like to better anticipate his arrival time, and offer to change the meeting time to suit him better.
5. Offer the volunteer thanks. Be enthusiastic with your thanks and your praise. It is commendable to call his/her parents on occasion (if school aged) to give them nachas.

Of course, if anything should come up, we are always available to you!

All the best,

Esther Ward,  
Menucha, Inc.

**NOTE: Please sign and return the release immediately so that we may provide you with volunteers without delay.**

**FULL RELEASE**

The undersigned \_\_\_\_\_ (“Parents”), as the parents and/or legal guardians of \_\_\_\_\_ (“Child”), hereby acknowledge that the Child will be engaging Menucha volunteers, and/or engaging in one or more programs of MENUCHA, INC. (the “Organization”) In connection with, and as a condition of, Child’s participation in the Program, Parents hereby agree as follows:

1. Parents hereby grant permission for Child to participate in MENUCHA’s Programs. Parents know the risks and dangers involved in any Program and are aware that unanticipated and unexpected dangers may arise during such Programs. Parents assume all risks of injury to Child that may be sustained in connection with any Program.
2. In consideration of the permission granted to Child by the Organization to participate in the Program, Parents hereby, on their own behalf and on behalf of Child, release, remise and discharge the Organization of and from all claims, demands, actions, and causes of action of any sort, for injuries sustained by one or more of Parents or Child and/or their respective property in connection with their participation in the Program due to negligence or any other fault.
3. Parents represent and certify that they are fully authorized to enter into this FULL RELEASE on their own behalf and on behalf of Child. Parents hereby further represent and certify that Child’s participation in the Program is voluntary, and that neither Parents nor Child are, in any way, the employee, servant, or agent of the Organization.
4. PARENTS HAVE (I) READ AND (II) FULLY UNDERSTOOD THE FOREGOING FULL RELEASE.

TO GIVE EFFECT TO THE FOREGOING, Parents have executed this Full Release as of this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ I have read and understand fully the parent guidelines for in-home volunteers  
(initial)

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PARENT’S SIGNATURE

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CHILD’S NAME