

**DILLER**  
**TEENS FOR TZEDEK FELLOWSHIP**  
**APPLICATION**  
**2009**



Return this completed form to Robyn Avellino at the JCC of Greater Boston  
 333 Nahanton Street, Newton, MA 02459

**I. General Information**

Name of applicant \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Birth date \_\_\_\_\_ Male/Female \_\_\_\_\_

**Family Information:**

Parent name	Address	Daytime phone	Evening phone	e-mail

**Parents are:** Married  Divorced  Separated  Other  \_\_\_\_\_

**Applicant lives with:** Both parents  Mother  Father  Other  \_\_\_\_\_

One or both of my parents is/are either Israeli-born or Israeli Citizen(s).

**Religious Affiliation** (Check One)

- Orthodox     Conservative     Reform     Reconstructionist

**Synagogue Affiliation** (if applicable)

Name/Location: \_\_\_\_\_

**Dietary Requirements/Preferences:**  Kosher     Vegetarian     Vegan

**II. Education**

**High School**

School name/location	Graduation date

**Jewish Education**

Synagogue name/Jewish day school/location	Dates from-to (mo./yr.)

**Camp and Youth Group Participation** (please list any experience you have had as a camper or a youth group member)

Institution name/location	Dates from-to (mo./yr.)

**Leadership Experiences** (please list all positions you have held as a camp counselor, teacher, youth group board member, etc. both in the Jewish and secular communities)

Position	Institution name/location	Ages worked with <i>(if applicable)</i>	Dates from-to <i>(mo./yr.)</i>

**Extracurricular Activities** (list hobbies, awards, clubs, organizations, skills, honors received, special interests)

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**Previous Travel Experiences**

United States/Canada: \_\_\_\_\_

Israel (please list type of program, sponsoring organization, length of time and dates attended):

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Abroad (other than Israel): \_\_\_\_\_

**Previous volunteer/community service experience:**

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**What excites you most regarding the opportunity to be a Diller Teens for Tzedek Fellow?**

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**What aspects of Jewish life do you connect with most strongly?**

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**What other commitments have you made that could potentially conflict with this program?  
Please include approximate time per week/month as well.**

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**Please take a few minutes to complete each of the statements below**

- a) I would describe myself as \_\_\_\_\_
- b) People think that I am \_\_\_\_\_
- c) I am committed to the cause of \_\_\_\_\_
- d) I admire \_\_\_\_\_ because \_\_\_\_\_
- e) Before I am 75, I would like to \_\_\_\_\_

**III. References**

The referee should be an adult who can attest to your character and leadership skills. References from relatives and/or personal friends are not acceptable. The references you list must complete a separate response form enclosed with this packet and mail it to the JCC of Greater Boston. **References may also be sent electronically, to the following email address Ravellino@JCCGB.org. Please feel free to send us as many references as you wish.**

**NOTE: You DO NOT need to wait for these reference forms to mail in your application!**

Name/full address	daytime phone	Relationship

**IV. Parent's Permission**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, give permission for  
(Name of parent or legal guardian)

My child, \_\_\_\_\_, to participate in the  
(Name of applicant)

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Signature of parent or legal guardian

Date

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Signature of applicant

Date

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Name of applicant

Date

**I certify that all statements and details in this application are accurate and correct:**

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**The *Diller Teens for Tzedek Fellows* is a project of Teens for Tzedek, a program of the Jewish Community Centers of Greater Boston. The *Diller Teens for Tzedek Fellowship* is generously funded by the Helen Diller Family Foundation, Frieze Family Foundation, Combined Jewish Philanthropies' Boston-Haifa Connection, and generous contributions from individuals in the community. Each fellow receives a \$6,500 subsidy, resulting in a cost of only \$2,500 to the participant. Financial aid is available.**

*DILLER TEENS FOR TZEDEK FELLOWSHIP  
REFERENCE FORM*

**TO BE COMPLETED BY THE APPLICANT:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Applicant

**This reference should be returned to:**

Robyn Avellino; Youth Social Justice Coordinator  
JCC of Greater Boston  
333 Nahanton Street  
Newton, MA 02459

\*FOR QUESTIONS OR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL  
(617) 558-6512 or email me at [Ravellino@JCCGB.org](mailto:Ravellino@JCCGB.org)

**TO THE REFEREE:**

The individual named above is applying to participate in the Diller Teens for Tzedek Fellowship. Diller Teens for Tzedek Fellowship is a yearlong intensive program in which participants learn and work together in different settings.

The goals of the program depend on a participant's ability to: adjust to new environments and people; to work and live cooperatively in an intensive group setting; to maintain a sense of initiative and independence through positive energy and strength of character; and to creatively mobilize his/her peers.

It is important to us that you describe the applicant as specifically and objectively as possible. Please tell us of a candidate's strengths as well as weaknesses. All information will be kept confidential and no candidate will be eliminated on the basis of one evaluation.



We appreciate your attention and concern.

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Name of Reference

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City

\_\_\_\_\_  
State

\_\_\_\_\_  
Zip Code

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Phone Number

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Fax Number

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Date

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**Please Note:**

**Applications will not be considered until required letters of recommendation have been received.** The deadline for all application materials to be received is December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2008. Diller Teens for Tzedek Fellowship is a **project of Teens for Tzedek, a program of the Jewish Community Centers of Greater Boston.**

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Using the space provided, or on a separate sheet of paper, please answer the questions below:

1) In what capacity and for how long, have you known the applicant?

2) While there is no single model of an exemplary Diller Teens for Tzedek applicant, there are certain criteria that make for a successful participant. Among those criteria are: ability to take initiative, motivation, and dedication to community service, emotional maturity and stability, interpersonal skills, flexibility, and creativity.

Please assess the applicant with respect to these qualities and add any other information that you feel is relevant.