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# 2012 Israel Teen Fellows Merit-Based Israel Grant Application

\$2,500 merit-based grants for travel to Israel will be awarded to 6 teens affiliated with a Conservative or Reform Congregation in St. Louis, Missouri

## To apply:

- ✓ Must currently be in 9th – 11th grade.
- ✓ Plan to attend an accredited and approved peer-based Israel program. Travel must be completed by August 27, 2012.
- ✓ Write an essay answering the question: Why is it important for you as a Jewish teen to go to Israel? Essay should be no more than 2 pages, 12 point font, doubled spaced. Include your name on the backside of the essay.
- ✓ Submit a resume detailing extracurricular activities both in the Jewish community and the community at large, awards, honors, skills and talents. Include your name on the backside of the resume.
- ✓ Attend two mandatory pre-trip meetings on April 16, 2012 (7:00 – 8:30PM) and May 30, 2012 (6:30 – 8:30 PM) and one post-trip meeting date TBD.

Note: An interview may be required by the selection committee.

## After your trip:

- ✓ Have at least one parent or guardian attend the post-trip meeting with you.
- ✓ Share your Israel Experience through presentations to your congregation's youth group and upper grade religious school classes.
- ✓ Serve as an Israel teen ambassador at St. Louis Jewish communal activities when asked to participate.
- ✓ Write an essay about what the Israel Experience meant to you. Essay should be at least 1 page and can be used for presentations and possibly submitted to [jewishinstlouis.org](http://jewishinstlouis.org) and/or the Jewish Light for publication. Post-trip essays will be due at the post-trip meeting.

**Completed application, essay and resume are due by 5:00pm on February 13, 2012  
and should be sent to:**

**Karen Rader – Central Agency for Jewish Education  
12 Millstone Campus Drive • St. Louis, MO 63146  
Questions: (314) 442-3756 or [krader@cajestl.org](mailto:krader@cajestl.org)**

Emailed and faxed copies will not be accepted. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.  
Preference will be given to those who have not been on a peer-based Israel trip.



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**\$2,500 merit-based grants will be awarded to 6 St. Louis teens affiliated with a Conservative or Reform Congregation currently in grades 9-11 planning to travel to Israel in 2012**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

High School: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s)/Guardian(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Synagogue: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Israel Experience Program: \_\_\_\_\_

*This applicant and family are members in good standing. If the applicant is awarded the Israel Teen Fellows grant, our congregation will partner with CAJE to help them fulfill the necessary requirements including making a presentation to the youth group and appropriate religious school class(es) upon their return from Israel.*

*Signature of Rabbi:*

*Date:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Signature of Religious School Director or Youth Director:*

*Date:* \_\_\_\_\_

**The Israel Teen Fellow grant is provided by the Central Agency for Jewish Education through a generous allocation from the Jewish Federation of St. Louis. It is the expectation that, as recipients of community money, all awardees fulfill the grant requirements without exception.**

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Student's Name

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Parent/Guardian's Name

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Student's Signature

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Parent/Guardian's Signature

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Date

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