

## BETH EMET THE FREE SYNAGOGUE

### THE 2009-2010 LEO BAECK LEADERSHIP CORPS APPLICATION

### Application Instructions (*Please Read Carefully*)

Application to the Beth Emet Leo Baeck Leadership Corps (LBLC) Program is in two stages: (1) the written application and (2) a personal interview.

1. **The Written Application:** The purpose of the application is to allow you to tell the Leo Baeck Committee about yourself and to begin thinking about how you can contribute to Beth Emet upon your return from Israel. You must submit a fully completed application no later than **November 16, 2009**. We expect that YOU (and NOT your parents) will complete the application. All materials must be legible and submitted on time. Applications which are incomplete, hard to read, late, or completed by anyone other than the applicant will not be advanced to the interview stage.

Fully completed applications must include:

- **The application form**
  - i. Note: The Attestation Form and the *B'rit* on page two must be signed by you and by your parents or guardians.
- **Three (3) brief, one page essays**
  - i. **Essay 1: An autobiography.** (HELPFUL HINT: Be sure to include your Jewish and Academic experiences, Beth Emet involvement, camps, and extra curricular experiences.)
  - ii. **Essay 2: What do you expect to gain or how do you expect to grow from spending a semester on EIE?**
  - iii. **Essay 3: Upon your return from EIE, how might you see yourself contributing as a leader in the Beth Emet and/or greater Jewish community?**

Each essay should be no more than one page (approximately 300-500 words), typed, single-spaced using 11-12 point font with 1" margins around. Essays that do not meet these criteria will not be accepted. Essays must be written by you--in your own words--and must be typed by you. (HELPFUL HINT: Be sure to proof read and spell check you essay!)

**Application Submission: Applications may be mailed or hand delivered to:** Beth Emet Synagogue, Attn: Leo Baeck Leadership Corps, 1224 Dempster Street, Evanston, IL 60202. *Partial applications or applications submitted electronically or hand-written will not be accepted.*

2. **The Personal Interview:** The purpose of the interview is for the Committee to meet the applicant, to insure membership in LBLC is appropriate, and to explore future leadership possibilities within Beth Emet upon the applicant's return from EIE. A personal interview will be conducted with applicants who (1) submit fully completed and legible applications by the deadline and (2) possess a record of service and leadership making them serious contenders for membership in the LBLC. Scheduling information for interviews will be sent as soon as possible.

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