



January 14, 2021

1 Shevat, 5781

Dear TRY 2021,

We are pleased to announce that the final date of TRY 2021 has been officially moved to June 13th, extending our program by two weeks. If a student cannot stay through the 13th, please email [Elinor Kaufman](#) to let us know. We are aware that the recent changes have demanded a lot from our families and caused additional stress and frustration for many. In spite of it all, we are grateful that you have all been understanding and gracious as we figure this out together! We are also immensely appreciative of the efforts you have made on behalf of your children. I truly admire your commitment to their Jewish education and personal growth!

Please review the instructions below regarding important guidelines for changing your tickets/rebooking your flights:

All students

- The official start date of TRY 2021 is February 8, 2021
 - It is imperative that all students arrive on this date due to our quarantine requirements.
- The official end date of TRY CLASSIC is June 13, 2021
 - The group flight departs at noon on the 13th
 - Families who are not on the group flight can feel free to book tickets at any time on the 13th (the closer to noon, the better)
- The official end date of TRY QUARTER is March 30, 2021
 - You will note that this is the third day of Passover. If you'd like your child(ren) to be home by the first night of *seder*, you can make arrangements to return on March 24th or 25th.

Students on the group flight through Ramah Israel

- The updated United Airlines flight details are:
 - UA 90 on February 7th at 8:25 PM (EWR to TLV) / Returning on UA 85 on June 13th at 12:00 PM (TLV to EWR)
- As your international flights are booked through our travel agent, ***you do not need to make any changes to your international flight to Israel.*** Those changes will be made automatically.
 - If you cannot fly home on the 13th for some reason, please write to [Elinor](#) privately.
- Remember to rebook or change your domestic flights, if relevant.
 - Update this information in the Israel Flight form on our [registration](#) page.

- For those who booked domestic flights through our travel agent, she will rebook them for you. Elinor will reach out to you individually to let you know the updated flight details.

Students on the group flight not through Ramah Israel

Your options are as follows:

- Change your tickets to reflect the new group flight:

UA 90 on February 7th at 8:25 PM (EWR to TLV) / Returning on UA 85 on June 13th at 12:00 PM (TLV to EWR)

- If the cost of making a change is too high (as we have heard from some families), you can ask your agent or airline about getting a full refund on your tickets and booking a new flight.
 - All flights **MUST** arrive on February 8th at any time and depart on June 13th at any time (preferably around noon)
- Contact [Elinor](#) who can try (no pun intended) to get you a quote on the same flight through our travel agent. We cannot guarantee that our tickets will be cheaper, but if we are able to reserve a spot through our travel agent, we have more control over potential future changes. **DO NOT CANCEL YOUR ORIGINAL FLIGHTS UNTIL YOU HAVE CONFIRMATION FROM ELINOR THAT WE CAN ASSIST YOU.**

Students *not* flying on the group flight

- Change both your outbound and return flights to reflect the new start and end dates of TRY (starting any time on February 8th / ending on June 13th (preferably around noon))
- Update this information in the Israel Flight form on our [registration](#) page.
- Email [Elinor](#) immediately with any issues or concerns.

IF you are flying Delta OR considering flying with Delta

We have recently learned that unaccompanied minors are not allowed to fly based on a [travel embargo](#) for unaccompanied minors on international flights. As you can see from the link, this information is on the Delta website. We advise that you check with your travel agent or call Delta directly to understand the impact on your ticket.

- It may be wise to get a refund on your delta tickets in order to fly with an airline that does not have these restrictions. To our knowledge, Delta is the only company restricting travel for minors.

Please let us know if you have questions about flights or any other topic.

We will be reaching out early next week to let you know the online orientation schedule that we are planning for the week(s) prior to TRY. Additionally, Aliza will be in touch to let you know about some online academic classes we will be starting before your flights.

Wishing you all a Shabbat shalom,
Jonathan



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