BBYO South Jersey Region (SJR) | Conclave Convention 2025 Frequently Asked Questions

IMPORTANT DATES + REGISTRATION

- When is Conclave 2025? Conclave takes place Friday, November 14th through Sunday November 16th. Programming will begin Friday afternoon, continue through Saturday and conclude on Sunday, with plenty of breaks in between.
- What are the important dates to know?
 - Sunday, September 14th, Registration Opens
 - **■** Flash sale: \$365
 - Monday, September 16th: Regular Price Opens
 - Regular Pricing: \$365
 - Sunday, October 12th: Scholarship applications due by 11:59pm. <u>Apply for scholarship</u> here!
 - O Monday, October 13th: Scholarship allocations announced.
 - Wednesday, October 29th: Registration closes at 11:59pm. After this date, partial refunds are available but not guaranteed.
 - Monday, November 3rd: As of this date, no refunds will be given.
- Are there scholarships? <u>Need-based scholarships are available</u>. Applications are due by Sunday, October 12th at 11:59 PM.
 - You can apply for scholarship here. Applying for scholarship confirms your registration.
 Late applications will not be accepted for any reason. Your scholarship serves as your registration- you do not need to pay anything until you have received your scholarship allocation.
 Scholarship awards will be announced on Wednesday, October 16th.
- What is the cancellation/refund policy? The deadline to cancel with a full program refund is the final registration deadline (Wednesda, October 29th). Until that date, full refunds will be granted for cancellations in writing (email is acceptable) for any reason. After the registration deadline, partial refunds may be available based on convention expenses already paid (venue, transportation, etc.). After Monday, November 2nd, we've already confirmed final counts with our vendors, and no refunds will be given. "No shows" will not receive a refund.
- Are there an unlimited number of convention spots? No, we have a limited number of bus seats available. After registration is full, we will begin a waitlist.
- What if someone needs to arrive late or leave early? We understand that members have other activities and commitments throughout the weekend. Participants are allowed to arrive late, leave early, or leave and come back as long as they are picked up by a parent or guardian as participants are not permitted to drive themselves to/from Conclave. Additionally, we are not able to offer any prorated rates if a participant must miss parts of the convention.
- Why does a convention cost money? Great question! The convention fee helps cover camp space and cabins, five meals (Friday and Saturday dinner, Saturday breakfast, Saturday lunch, Sunday breakfast) and plenty of snacks, convention supplies (programming materials, software purchased for convention, etc), guest speakers and workshop programming, staff, songleaders, and more.
 - Extensive scholarship is available, and we strongly encourage you to apply. There
 is an opportunity to list why you are applying for a scholarship (Teen paying for
 convention, family expenses, etc.) that may paint a bigger picture than your AGI.

OTHER FAQ

- Who is Conclave for? Conclave is for every Jewish teen involved with BBYO. Chapter leaders, chapter members, new members, seniors, and all members in between are invited and encouraged to attend! No leadership role or prior program participation is required to attend.
 Teens must be registered members of BBYO to attend convention.
- Why should I attend Conclave? BBYO conventions are one of the things that teens look forward to most during the school year. Conventions are planned and led by teens and are an opportunity for our region to come together as a community. Conventions provide teens with meaningful Jewish experiences and friendships that they will remember for years to come.
- Where will I be? Camp Harlam in Kunkletown, PA
- How will I get there? We will be providing busing to and from camp, with the Katz JCC in Cherry Hill as our bus stop. Buses will leave for camp at 3pm on 11/14 and get back around 2:30 on 11/16.
- What are BBYO's community standards? Linked here is BBYO's <u>Code of Conduct</u>.
- Is the food Kosher? All food at conventions are kosher-style, meaning dairy and meat are not served together. However, the food served may not be cooked in a kosher kitchen. If you/your teens require strictly kosher food, please email Regional Staff at sjr@bbyo.org
- My teen has a dietary restriction and/or allergy. Can you accommodate? Yes similar to the
 strict kosher option, we will ensure vegetarian, vegan, gluten-free, dairy-free meals are available
 if the Office is notified in advance. Please make sure to note this in the appropriate field in
 registration to ensure we can accommodate for your teen. All BBYO programs and events are
 nut-free
- My teen takes medication. What is your process for handling medication? Teens are expected to self-administer their own prescription medication throughout the course of the convention weekend. We will not be collecting and distributing medication during the convention unless we receive a specific request from a teen's parent. If you would like to speak about your teen's medication needs, please contact us.