

Dear Ramah Berkshires campers, parents, alumni, staff, board and advisory council, supporters, and friends,

We know the past few weeks have been very tough -- especially for so many members of our Ramah Berkshires *mishpacha* (family). The impact of COVID-19 is being felt across the country. From New Rochelle to Riverdale, from Manhattan to Bergen County, and beyond, our community has, in many ways, been particularly strained since the very beginning of the epidemic here in the U.S.

Our thoughts are of course with everyone -- in our region, across the country, and around the world -- who is suffering. We pray for a *refuah shleimah* (complete recovery) for all those who are ill, and we pray for the strength and fortitude of the health professionals and community leaders who are managing this crisis.

Today, as we prepare for what will undoubtedly be a strange Shabbat for many of us, we are just reaching out to let you know that we are thinking of all of you and we love you. We will be in touch regularly, and we hope to bring some smiles and good Ramah Berkshires *ruach* (spirit) into your homes and lives in the coming weeks.

Please join us online tomorrow for a special Ramah Berkshires musical Havdalah. While we wish we were together in a circle in the *kikar* (lawn), we will take advantage of technology to bring us "close" even from a distance. **See below for details on how to join us.**

And, if you have not already seen it, take a look at the special video message last summer's *Rashei Edah* made for campers who are stuck at home (link below).

Wishing you all a Shabbat of health and peace,

Rabbi Ethan Linden

Join Us for a Virtual Camp-Style Musical Havdalah



Saturday, March 14th 8:00 PM EST

Please join us this *motzei* Shabbat (after Shabbat) on Zoom for a camp-style musical *havdalah*. Click **HERE** at 8 PM EST on Saturday night to join

your Ramah Berkshires family for this special virtual gathering.

Wearing your Ramah Berkshires swag is highly encouraged!

We can't wait to "see" you!

Click below to see a special video message our 2019 *Rashei Edah* made for all of our campers who are stuck at home.





