



## Director of Lifelong Learning Position Available: July 1, 2026

**Holy Blossom Temple in Toronto, Canada**, is seeking a visionary educator and leader to be our Director of Lifelong Learning. The successful candidate will be committed to transforming Holy Blossom Temple into a thriving hub of multigenerational learning—where curiosity, tradition, and community come together to inspire minds and nurture souls at every stage of life.

As Toronto's first synagogue, founded in 1856, Holy Blossom Temple feels a sense of responsibility to lead the Toronto Jewish community in what we call "aspirational Judaism." As a flagship congregation of the Reform Movement, we are committed to creating a model of Jewish life which is ever-relevant and relational, serious and joyful.

Our Director of Lifelong Learning will be a leading figure within the Holy Blossom Temple community and will help to shape the culture and direction of our congregation, which has put education at the centre for 170 years.

Holy Blossom Temple is growing larger and growing younger. We have 1950 member households, with nearly 30% of our congregation joining in the last three years. Half of them are under the age of 40, including many children and teens in search of meaningful Jewish education and engagement. Many of our families enroll their children in full-time Jewish day schools and could be further served through enticing opportunities for educational enrichment and congregational connection. In addition, there are unaffiliated families in our part of the city. We believe that with the right outreach and educational offerings, they could be drawn into the Holy Blossom Temple community.

With our new Director leading the way, Holy Blossom Temple will elevate formal and informal learning for all our congregants and those who choose to join us.

### **Key Responsibilities**

The Director of Lifelong Learning is a senior member of the Temple's leadership team, and will drive overall vision, strategy and innovation for education. This position supports the congregation in achieving its spiritual and religious goals.

This is a **new full-time role**, which will provide direct supervision for two positions - Director, Early Childhood Centre (ECC) and Principal, Youth Education and Family Engagement. There will be two administrative assistants for the Department of Education.

The Director of Lifelong Learning reports to the Senior Rabbi, and to the Temple's Executive Director on some specific areas of the portfolio.



At Holy Blossom Temple, all senior professionals work hand-in-hand with lay leadership. The Director of Lifelong Learning will work in sacred partnership with the VP Education (Temple Board), and can call for lay-led committees/task forces as needed.

The Director of Lifelong Learning will access the broader network of leading individuals and organizations in the field of Jewish learning. They will draw from this network to advance educational excellence at the Temple and will provide leadership to partner organizations.

The Director of Lifelong Learning is expected to be on site at specific times of the week, including when our school programs are in session on Sunday mornings and on Monday evenings. The Director will be on site for major adult education events, and be a presence and take an active role for select Shabbat and holiday celebrations. A flexible work schedule is both required and will be afforded.

Some specific responsibilities include:

#### **Youth Education:**

- Supervise and support the Director, Early Childhood Centre (ECC) and Principal, Youth Education and Family Engagement.
- Champion curriculum development and innovative directions for educational enrichment.
- Enhance teacher training and professional development.
- With our rabbis, cantors and educators, enrich the Jewish culture of our ECC and Youth Education Centre.
- With our Director of Outreach and Next Gen Engagement, expand enrollment, create additional bridges between Jewish day schools and Temple, and create meaningful pathways for connection among our day school families.
- With our Director of Development, help identify meaningful opportunities for fundraising and grants to support youth and family education.
- With support from our Executive Director and Director of Finance and Payroll Administration, create and manage the budgets for the ECC and Youth Education Centre.
- With support from our Director of Communications and Marketing, manage communications strategy for families of our current and prospective students.

#### **Adult Education**

- Partner with our rabbis, cantors, and lay leaders to envision innovative adult learning pathways.
- With our Senior Rabbi and VP of Education, re-establish a robust Adult Education Committee to plan annual Program Guides.
- With our Director of Development, help identify meaningful opportunities for fundraising and grants to support adult education.



- With support from our Executive Director and Director of Finance and Payroll Administration, create and manage the Adult Education budget.
- With support from our Director of Communications and Marketing, create and manage a communications strategy for Adult Education.

## Qualifications

We are seeking a candidate with demonstrated:

- **Visionary and Collaborative Leadership:** Passionate about inspiring curiosity, joy, and lifelong Jewish learning. Able to lead that charge with professional partners, volunteer leaders, and families.
- **Education:** Bachelor's degree required. Master's or Ph.D. degree in Jewish Education, Jewish Studies, or a related field is preferred. Rabbinic ordination is not required for this Educator position, but would be welcomed. Hebrew proficiency is preferred, but not required.
- **Experience:** 7+ years of leadership experience in Jewish education.
- **Curriculum Development:** Strong background in developing educational curricula.
- **Accountability:** Some proficiency in budgeting and a willingness to learn are required.
- **Team Supervision:** Proven experience in supervising and leading a team.
- **Management:** Strong people management skills with some expertise in HR processes.
- **Creativity:** A creative thinker with a passion for exploring new educational approaches; willingness to experiment.
- **Teaching:** Skilled in teaching sacred texts, traditions, and values.
- **Outreach:** Enthusiasm for growth and recruitment.
- **Communications:** Excellence in expression through the spoken and the written word, both formally and informally.
- **Technology:** Technologically adept, with some experience integrating technology into learning environments.

*Click [here](#) for more information on Holy Blossom Temple and the educational programs.* To get a sense of our close-knit team, please see our latest parody [VIDEO](#).

To apply, please send a cover letter and resume to [employment@holyblossom.org](mailto:employment@holyblossom.org) with the subject line: "Director of Lifelong Learning." Review of applications will begin in December 2025 and will continue until the position is filled. Legal authorization to work in Canada is required.

*Holy Blossom Temple values the diversity of people and communities and is committed to excellence and creating an anti-racist, inclusive and equitable Jewish space, including with [this statement](#), unanimously supported by the Holy Blossom Temple Board of Directors. Holy Blossom Temple welcomes and encourages applications from people with disabilities. Accommodations are available upon request for candidates taking part in all aspects of the selection process.*