

Reset your table (outside) and refresh your year

*Curated collection of education and programing ideas
from the NCSY website and the wider world for our NCSY family*

Usually, the Jewish High Holidays are the perfect time to open your home to family, friends, and neighbors. This year, households have been feeling more limited than usual. Embrace the holiday spirit as an opportunity to rejuvenate your home from the outside in. Get decorative and create moments of connection through Torah. Check out my top picks for creating the ultimate outdoor space featuring some fresh Sukkos spirit.

Something Old

Pulled directly from the NCSY Education Site which is full of relevant and teen friendly programs. Check out the entire Sukkos collection here:

<https://staff.ncsy.org/education/collections/QS332BFGpr/collection/>

Should Bioplastic Schach be used for a sukkah? If it's raining, should one put bioplastic up to prevent the rain from entering the sukkah? Find out here.

<https://staff.ncsy.org/education/material/FFT rNX78yT/bioplastic-schach/>

Explore the symbolism and importance of Sukkos in this text based session.

<https://staff.ncsy.org/education/material/3ju7 0T948v/the-significance-of-sukkot/>

Understand the Arba Minim and the symbolism of all the additional Sukkos accessories in this text based session.

<https://staff.ncsy.org/education/material/T74 Q13KJJ8/lulav:-let-me-see-you-shake-your-mitzvah/>

A beautiful infographic explaining the fundamentals of Sukkos.

[https://staff.ncsy.org/education/material/yoY meLX9GC/sukkot-a-palooza-\(infographic/](https://staff.ncsy.org/education/material/yoY meLX9GC/sukkot-a-palooza-(infographic/)

How is living in your Sukkah similar to living in Israel? Find out in this infographic.

<https://staff.ncsy.org/education/material/lwP SZnQfvv/bring-the-feeling-of-israel-into-your-sukkah/>

Hear Rabbi Lashak's inspiring words of Torah to help make your Sukkos more meaningful.

<https://staff.ncsy.org/education/material/34vi uJkTaF/sukkos:-7-minutes-of-inspiration/>

Growth starts here: <https://staff.ncsy.org/education/>

Something New

A helpful Torah discovery beyond the NCSY Education site.

A beautiful pocket sized insight to share in your Sukkah:

Sukkah boards lying in your garage are still called a sukkah. They were **made to take apart and rebuild**. But a house that is leveled and rebuilt is just a house. The Maharal explains that we **learn resilience** and how to reassemble ourselves **from our Sukkah**: When a house falls down, it can never be the same as it was originally. If it is rebuilt, it is considered a new house, not a rebuilding of the old house. However, a Sukkah isn't like a house that is finished and permanent. **It can fall down and easily be rebuilt again.**

Something Jew

Just a couple of things that caught my eye that can help you keep current and trendy.

Get in the temporary dwelling spirit and plan a **Sukkah Staycation**. Travel limitations have you feeling stuck but camping stores are the perfect backdrop to feeling far when you are very close. Get some gear, build a fire (outside your sukkah), and retreat to your personal Sukkah camping grounds. No permit necessary.

Support small businesses and send teens to local fabric and crafts shops. A **tablescape competition** is the perfect creative outlet to get teens involved in helping out family members with any preparation and hitting the refresh button. If you're feeling particularly decorative and inspired— print and laminate **NCSY infographics** (included above) for your own DIY sukkah decorations!

Feeling picky? Email your top picks to szegedia@ncsy.org.

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