

# North Shore Hebrew Academy High School

## Simplifies Vaccine Tracking for Students, Parents, and Staff Using OnTask

### CASE STUDY

## Overview

During much of 2020, NSHAHS turned to a remote learning structure following rising numbers of COVID-19 cases. And before returning for the new semester, NSHAHS' Head of School issued a school-wide update that all staff and students needed to show proof of vaccination for entry to keep transmission risk at a minimum. With this new system in place, Director of Technology, Robin Wilensky, needed an easy way to collect CDC cards that would also act as a repository for previously collected cards.

## Challenges

When the announcement from NSHAHS' Head of School first came down the line, there was little time to waste in getting a system in place. First, the NSHAHS team tried using their student information system, however, this would not let users upload CDC cards as images, which was something they found out they needed after implementation. They chose this route initially because students and parents already knew how to use the system, and they didn't want to overcomplicate the process. Additionally, they needed to track exemptions and weekly PCR tests.

After realizing they needed a more robust solution for vaccination tracking, the research began. Eventually, an IT team member discovered OnTask Health Tracking, which featured a pre-built workflow for just what they needed.

North Shore Hebrew Academy High School (NSHAHS) is a dual curriculum high school with secular and Judaica teachings. Established in 1954, NSHAHS is the high school leg of the North Shore Hebrew Academy, operating separately from the rest of the organization. The New York-based school teaches around 450 students each year in high school classes.



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*You already had a workflow around this whole idea, and it just made sense.*

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— Robin Wilensky,  
Director of Technology

## Results

Overall, the staff found OnTask easy and the implementation was smooth.

Wilensky worked in tandem with her partner at the lower school who is responsible for all vaccine tracking across North Shore Hebrew Academy to get OnTask set up. With some assistance from OnTask's customer support team, Wilensky was able to customize the pre-built vaccine tracking workflow to fit her needs. "Everybody was super responsive, which was great because sometimes companies leave you hanging," shared Wilensky.

She created three different workflows, one for faculty and students, one for visitors, and one built for parents who aren't tech-savvy (this one was designed so that parents could email student vaccination cards to be uploaded by a faculty member). This was especially important as NSHAHS moved into the athletic season, with all student-athletes required to show proof of vaccination. "The ability to make a workflow that had all of these if/then scenarios were really what put it over the edge," states Wilensky. "Plus, the pricing was reasonable."

Before, tracking who needed to be tested for COVID-19 was an impossible task that needed to be done each Friday. Now, faculty have the ability to query which students have been vaccinated or not and see who needs to be PCR tested.

OnTask Health Tracking has simplified the way Robin Wilensky and her team handle vaccine and test result tracking. While they are still in the pandemic mindset, she hopes to explore new uses for OnTask in the future.

### About NSHAHS:

Founded in 1954, North Shore Hebrew Academy has served children of all education levels throughout Great Neck, New York. Their on-campus High School, founded in 2001, provides secular and Judaic classes to students and offers a number of exciting extracurriculars.

### About OnTask:

OnTask is a workflow automation solution that can be used to create, collect, track, and verify digital documents and forms. Entirely web-based with a mobile-friendly interface and eSignature support, OnTask allows anyone to upload files and records for authorization without any complicated registration or downloads. OnTask's Health Tracking solution also makes it easy to track all associated COVID-19 paperwork, including vaccination records, test results, and more to keep organizations in compliance with changing mandates. For more information, visit [ontask.io](https://ontask.io).

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