

Educational Philosophy

תורת חיים ואהבת חסד

A life of Torah and a love of Chessed

The Torah is a living Torah that exists and manifests itself in all areas of life. The Torah is not limited to the four corners of the Beit Midrash or Synagogue. It is for this reason that at Ruach HaNegev we have implemented a holistic approach that includes Torah classes, chavruta learning, volunteering in the community and various other activities.



Theme Based Curriculum

Along with the yearly courses, over the course of the year we will focus on eight themes, each lasting one month. Students will be immersed in the specific themes with focused learning, both in and out of the Beit Midrash. This will include in-depth classes, trips to visit people and places and activities that are relevant to that theme.

Tanach

Mishna/Talmud

Halacha

Leadership

Prayer

Israel

Community

Relationships

Meet our Staff



ETAN ZIVAN

Rosh Mechina/Executive Director



Rav Jon Slinger

Rosh Beit Midrash/Educational Director

Interested in drafting into the IDF after your gap-year?

Mechinat Ruach HaNegev is the ideal place to prepare yourself spiritually, physically, and mentally for the IDF. Through a professionally designed workout regimen, beurocracy assitance. and a meaningful Torah study track, we will have you as ready as possible for the IDF.

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Ruach HaNegev

Live Your Judaism



Not Your Average Gap Year Program

Live your Judaism & elevate all areas of your life in the heart of the Negev

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Beit Midrash

Our Beit Midrash serves as both a COMFORTING and INSPIRING place for our students to thrive. Our goal is to provide a DIVERSE and RELEVANT curriculum, in order to allow our students to grow and develop on an individual basis.

- Variety of course options
- Tracked subjects such as Gemara/Talmud and Halacha
- Personalized schedule
- Monthly Theme



Service Learning

Service learning is a critical element in bringing the Torah to life. Our students will be immersed in local culture and will contribute to important social impact projects that directly affect the community.

- Individually based service projects
- Group based service projects
- Work with local farmers on a weekly basis

Our Core Values

Bring Judaism into Today

- ✓ Learn from relatable and down-to-earth rabbis and teachers who are ready to meet you where you are
- ✓ Dive into a variety of contemporary topics and understand how halacha applies today
- ✓ Surround yourself with endless opportunities for Jewish growth and development via hands-on and interactive experiences
- ✓ Gain the skills and habits to successfully incorporate Judaism into your life beyond your gap year

Vibrant & Authentic Israeli Community

- ✓ Join a close-knit cohort of young men ready to immerse themselves in a warm, vibrant, Zionist community in the Negev
- ✓ Participate in regular community activities and feel a part of the mishpacha ("family")
- ✓ Give back to the community through dynamic and fun service learning opportunities
- ✓ Take what you learn in Beit Midrash and apply it to your daily life in a meaningful and modern way

Service Learning

- ✓ Bring Torah to life by immersing yourself in local culture and contributing to important social impact projects that directly affect the community
- ✓ Take a break from learning by going out into the community each day and lending a helping hand
- ✓ Gain a deeper understanding of the various issues that Israel faces and your lifelong role in making Israel a better place



Israel Experience Seminars

Seven week-long themed seminars that dive deep into Israeli society will give our students an authentic Israeli experience.

- Shvil HaGolan
- Start-Up Nation
- Jerusalem & Tel Aviv
- Yam L'Yam
- Land of Our Fathers
- Periphery and Center
- Negev



Extra Programming

- Weekly night program with our amazing Madrichim
- Meetings with Israeli Mechinot
- Night hikes
- Farming with local farmers
- Volunteering in local community projects
- Tiyulim (hikes) all around Israel

AND SO MUCH MORE!!