What Our Students Say

"That you can bond with so many types of backgrounds is amazing. It doesn't mean that you have to change from what you are but it means that you can actually define yourself better." (DM, Mexico)

"It's very individually focused - the whole experience. There's no pressure to be a certain way. I feel like I'm learning about myself and what's right for me." (NR, New Jersey)

"Having a Sem with fewer girls is so much nicer. All the teachers can get to know you on a one to one basis. I feel like every teacher looks at you as an individual." (JR, London)

"The classes are intellectual but they are for your personal growth. They're not teaching you this is this and this is that. They are about ideas and they're conceptual. They really make you think." (LH, Chile)

Our Recruiting Focus

Midreshet Tehillah is recruiting thinking and committed students who want to be challenged intellectually and inspired spiritually. We look for motivated, mature young women who recognize that real questions require more than one-line answers.



Principal: Rabbi Jeremy Kagan



Semicha from Rav Zalman Nechemya Goldberg, B.A. in Philosophy from Yale University. Recipient of the 2011 National Jewish Book Award For Modern Jewish Thought for ***The Choice to Be: A Jewish Path To Self and Spirituality*** (Feldheim, 2011). His most recent publication is ***The Intellect and the Exodus: Authentic Emuna for a Complex Age*** (Koren, 2018).

Co-Director: Mrs. Susan Kagan



B.A. in Judaic Studies and Education from Touro College, M.A. in Clinical Sociology from the University of North Texas. Mrs. Kagan was a member of the NCSY National Board. In Israel she designed and ran Neve Yerushalayim's outreach programs and became Neve's first on-campus House Mother. She was a practicing family therapist before joining the administration of Midreshet Tehillah.

Co-Director: Mrs. Michal Levy



Mrs. Michal Levy was born and raised in Israel and received her certification and specialized degree in education from Merkaz Beit Yaakov. She earned a B.A. in English and Education from The Ministry of Education of Israel and also participated in the counselling Skills Course at the Family Institute at Neve Yerushalayim. Michal lives in Jerusalem with her husband and children.

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Midreshet Tehillah



Where Torah is the Gateway to Your Deeper Self

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What Does Midreshet Tehillah Offer?

Since 2003, Midreshet Tehillah has provided an environment for students to discover true Torah depths in themselves they never imagined were there. Our alumnae continue to express ***hakarat hatov*** for what they gained from the school even years after graduation. They are active in one another's lives, and keep contact with staff.

With an average of 65 girls in Shana Alef, we give strong individual attention to every student.

Our professional and experienced team combines strong academic credentials and broad life experience with a genuine desire to connect with students. This results in an educational experience which is profound, yet practical and personal.



Midreshet Tehillah is housed on the beautiful and spacious Neve Yerushalayim campus, which hosts numerous seminary and college programs. It is a secure, gated facility in Har Nof on the outskirts of Yerushalayim. Conveniently located near a major shopping area, the campus is just a short bus ride from the Kotel and the center of town.

Our students are primarily from Yeshiva High Schools and out-of-town Beit Yaakovs. They come from the United States, England, Europe, Australia, South Africa, South and Central America, and Mexico. The group often includes Baalei Teshuva and NCSY students. All share a strong commitment to Halacha and growth, but bring a variety of perspectives to how that looks. This contrast allows students to understand themselves more clearly. Neve Yerushalayim's presence adds another level of diversity to the campus. Though coming from very different backgrounds, Neve students and Midreshet Tehillah students share a common direction of growth, and each group gains inspiration from the other.

Our Approach



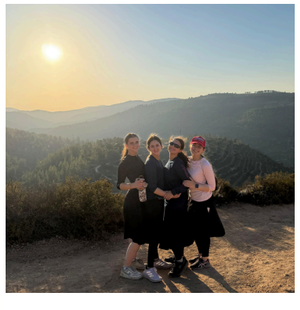
Torah: At Midreshet Tehillah, students develop a sensitivity to the depth, subtlety and complexity of Torah. Through sources from Tanach, Talmud, Halacha, Midrash, Machshava, Chassidut, and Jewish Philosophy our students gain an appreciation that Torah is not merely a collection of insights. Rather it presents us with a powerful, integrated vision of reality which transforms our understanding of both ourselves and our world.



Personal Development: At Midreshet Tehillah we guide each student to grow religiously in a manner structured to her individual character, strengths, and needs while enhancing her self-awareness, self-respect, and sensitivity to others.

Klal Yisrael: At Midreshet Tehillah we encourage each student to form her unique self in the context of her connection to and participation in Klal Yisrael. Through chesed commitments each student takes an active role in the life of the Jewish people. And through meeting families and experiencing communities, they begin to gain a sense for their place in the Jewish people and how they want to live their lives and raise their families in today's complex Jewish world.





Eretz Yisrael: We encourage our students to view the opportunity to learn Torah in Eretz Yisrael as a privilege, and an incredible opportunity to experience our past as it meets our future. We want our students to bond with their land by trekking its trails, walking in the places where the Tanach they study actually happened, and meeting the people who live here and the communities they have created.

Our Two Track System



The Tehillah Track is the classic Midreshet Tehillah program with a lively classroom-based interactive lecture/discussion format. Classes are focused around a central text rather than the unanchored opinions of the teachers, with the text translated and discussed in the context of the group. The Tehillah Track is designed for students who prefer this style of learning or for those who do not yet have the skills to learn text on a sophisticated level on their own. The track includes some Beit Midrash time to enable students to develop their skills, with flexibility to add more for those who wish to put a stronger emphasis on this aspect of their growth.

The Beit Midrash Track has a chavruta-based Beit Midrash format. Many classes have significant chavruta time, with teachers on hand to help guide students through texts when needed. This track is designed for students with good skills who are interested in learning to derive meaning directly from sources, rather than hearing it already filtered through a teacher's understanding. This style of learning covers less material, but this is offset by the additional depth and integration of understanding that result from the effort and creativity that are invested in the text.



Students will significantly improve their basic reading, translation, and comprehension skills. More importantly, they will learn the skills of independent Torah thinking: how to properly interpret texts in their wider context and develop their own original, high quality Divrei Torah.

The Midreshet Tehillah Shana Bet Program allows students who have completed a Shana Alef program to take their studies to new levels of depth and, more importantly, to new levels of personal integration.