

Israel in the Spotlight

Objectives:

- Campers will gain an in-depth understanding of the lives of the Israeli staff.
- Campers will learn to think critically about key areas and questions of Israeli society.
- Campers will stay better connected to camp and Israel throughout the year

Description:

Throughout the summer tzrifim will conduct interviews with members of the Mishlachah (or other staff from Israel). Madrichim will work with their campers to develop in-depth questions, which go beyond the basics (i.e. how did your experience in the Army impact your worldview, how do you understand your Judaism in the context of Israel v America). Campers will film these interviews with flip cameras. During the year we will post a different video to our blog (ramahblog.org) each week. Each interview will conclude with the interviewee asking their own question about Israel to the audience, and visitors will be encouraged to post their answers in the comments section of each post, allowing for a year-round engagement/conversation with Israel.

Instructions:

1. Each edah should decide on one common question that will be asked in all of their interviews.
2. Madrichim should meet with their tzrif to develop in-depth interview questions.
3. Chanichim should film their interviews with flip cameras.
 - a. Interviews should be conducted in five minute segments
 - b. If possible, some or all questions should be asked in Hebrew
 - c. Interviews should conclude with the interviewee asking a question to “the audience” about Israel
 - d. Ideal times are: Peulat Tzrif, Bichivot, Menucha
 - e. Tzrifim in each edah should try to avoid interviewing the same Israeli.

Flip cameras can be signed out with Ben Greene from his Beit Midrash office.