

Parent Survey

Thank you very much for taking the time to do this survey. It should take about 10 minutes to complete. It is part of a larger study looking at Hebrew language learning in public schools, with the aim of improving and sustaining Hebrew education. This study has been approved by your child's school and the New York City Department of Education. If you have any questions, please contact us at the emails located at the end of the survey.

1. Grade of child in school (check all boxes that apply):

☐ 6th Grade ☐ 7th Grade ☐ 8th Grade

2. Where were you born? United States _____ Israel _____ Other _____

3. What languages do you speak?

Hebrew English Both Others (specify) _____

4. What languages do you use when speaking to your children?

Hebrew English Both Others _____

5. How important was the Hebrew program in your decision to send your child to IS228?

Very important Important Somewhat important A little bit important Not important

6. What were the three reasons you chose IS228 for your child?

a. _____
b. _____
c. _____

7. How important is it to you that your child/children learn Hebrew?

Very important Important Somewhat important A little bit important Not important

Please explain your answer: _____

8. How important is it to you that your child/children learn about Israeli culture?

Very important Important Somewhat important A little bit important Not important

Please explain your answer: _____

9. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements: It is important for my child/children to learn Hebrew because.....

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
It will help them if we visit Israel					
It is a part of my religion					
It helps them communicate with other Hebrew speakers in my neighborhood					
Learning another language contributes to their brain development and can make them smarter					
It helps them to read the Bible					
It helps them form a connection with Israel					
It helps them to communicate with relatives					

10. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements: It is important for my child/children to learn about Israeli culture because.....

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
It will help them if we visit Israel					
It is a part of my religion					
Learning about other cultures is important					
It helps them form a connection with Israel					
It helps them to form a connection with the Jewish people					

11. Does your child attend any afterschool or summer programs in which Hebrew is used or taught? Yes No

Explain: _____

12. Please rate the following statements:

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
It is important that the Hebrew teacher is a native Israeli (born and raised in Israel)					
It is important that the Hebrew teacher has an Israeli accent when speaking Hebrew					
It is important that the Hebrew teacher is Jewish					
It is important that the Hebrew teacher is a certified language teacher					
It is important that the Hebrew teacher teach about Jewish holidays					

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
It is important that the Hebrew teacher teach about Israeli history					
It is important that the Hebrew teacher only use Hebrew in class (not use English)					
It is important for the Hebrew teacher to teach Hebrew grammar					

13. Before coming to IS 228 my child was a student at (check all boxes that apply):

☐ Hebrew Language Academy ☐ Private Yeshiva ☐ Other (Explain): _____

14. Are you pleased with the Hebrew program at IS228? Yes No Unsure

Please explain your answer:

15. Is there anything else you want to tell us about why you wanted your child to study Hebrew at IS 228?

16. Is there anything else you want to tell us about your experience in the Hebrew language program?

Please complete the information below if you are willing to let us contact you for follow up questions. The survey is completely confidential; your names will never be used in any presentations or publications.

Name: _____ Child's Name _____

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Best days of the week/times to reach me: _____

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