



DAVID POSNACK JEWISH DAY SCHOOL

VIRTUAL HIGH SCHOOL PROFILE 2017-2018

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AFFILIATIONS

- Broward County Nonpublic School Association
- Central Agency for Jewish Education
- North American Association of Jewish High Schools
- National Association of Secondary School Principals
- National Association of Middle Schools
- National Association of Elementary School Principals
- National Association for College Admissions Counselors
- Partnership for Excellence in Jewish Education

ACCREDITATIONS

- Association of Independent Schools of Florida
- National Council for Private School Accreditation
- Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
- Florida Council of Independent Schools
- Florida Kindergarten Council

100% ACCEPTANCE TO
4-YEAR COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

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SCHOOL BACKGROUND

David Posnack Jewish Day School (Posnack School) was founded in 1974 as a single lower school. The middle school was added in 1991, and a second lower campus was added in 1998. In 1998, the David Posnack Jewish Day School High School held its first classes with a total of eighteen 9th grade students. Since then, the high school has grown to its current enrollment of 225 students in grades 9-12. Now, we are proud to introduce our newest initiative, Posnack Virtual School for grades 9-12.

Since the beginning, Posnack School has been independent of ideological connection to any of the major movements in Jewish life. The school is committed to the Jewish tradition in all of its diversity. We believe that the best environment for educating Jewish students is one in which there is a diversity of Jewish ideas and practices that can be discussed openly by teachers, parents, and students. Posnack School is comprised of families who are affiliated with all of the movements within Judaism. The school is also strongly committed to Israel as an essential center for Jewish life.

Posnack School's objective is to provide an outstanding, comprehensive general studies program that meets high academic expectations as we prepare our students in a college prep and college prep honors program. Studying and writing skills are an essential component of our academic program. Underlying the philosophy of the school is a Judaic studies program that provides students with an understanding of Jewish history, Hebrew language, and Jewish values that emphasize responsibility to others and a need to contribute to the betterment of the world.

The high school college preparatory curriculum complies with the State of Florida requirements for high school graduation and meets college admission requirements for all public and private universities. Students are exposed to an expansive array of programs, featuring Advanced Placement courses, as well as opportunities for leadership and for excellence in the arts, sciences, and extracurricular activities.

The college preparatory program in the high school provides students with the highest degree of readiness to succeed. The high school environment encourages students to extend their intellectual muscles, all the while knowing that the Posnack School family is there for support and guidance throughout the process.

Most virtual schools ask students to learn material on their own, and teachers are only available to answer questions and assess the students. Posnack Virtual School is different. Our synchronous delivery model means students attend classes with live teachers, just like if they were physically with us. Using many educational technologies, students will video chat with their classes, allowing them to form relationships with their teachers and classmates that are missing from other online delivery models. Assignments and assessments will all be delivered online using interactive technologies that are often seen in major universities. Our faculty has made us the #4 private high school in Florida, and Posnack Virtual students will benefit from that same faculty. Don't let distance prevent you from getting a top-rated secular and Jewish education!

STUDENT HONORS & AWARDS

- AP Scholar with Distinction
- AP Scholar with Honors
- AP Scholar
- Blood Drive Scholarship
- Broward Cappies Critics Award
- Buick Scholarship
- Burger King Scholarship
- Coca-Cola Scholarship Winner, Finalist, and Semi-Finalist
- Comcast Leaders and Achievers Scholarship
- FHSAA - All Academic Scholarship Team
- Ford Salute to Education Scholar
- Hallandale Community Scholarship
- Miami Herald All County Academic Team
- National Association of Secondary School Principals Award
- National Council of Jewish Women Scholar Award
- National Hispanic Finalist
- National Hispanic Scholar
- National Merit Semi-Finalist
- National Merit Finalist
- National Merit Commendee
- Nordstrom TEN4U Scholarship Program
- Miami Herald Silver Knight Winner and Honorable Mention
- Ricco Corporation Regional Water Sustainability Prize
- Robert C. Byrd Scholarship
- Staples Scholarship
- State Thespian Superior Award
- Stockholm Junior Water Prize
- Wendy's High School Heisman National Finalist
- Wendy's High School Heisman State Winner



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ACADEMIC COURSES

ENGLISH

American Literature & Composition, Regular, Honors
British Literature & Composition, Regular, Honors
Creative Writing
English Language & Composition, AP
English Literature & Composition, AP
Journalism
SAT/ACT Prep & College Readiness
World Literature I & Composition, Regular, Honors
World Literature II & Composition, Regular, Honors
Yearbook

SOCIAL STUDIES

U.S. Government, Regular, Honors, AP
U.S. History, Regular, Honors, AP
Economics, Regular, Honors, AP
European History, AP
Human Geography, AP
Jewish History, Regular, Honors
Psychology, AP
World History, Regular, Honors

SCIENCE

Biology, Regular, Honors, AP
Chemistry, Regular, Honors, AP
Environmental Science, Regular, Honors, AP
Intro to Engineering
Biomedical Engineering
Marine Biology, Honors
Physics, Honors, AP

MATHEMATICS

Algebra I, Regular, Honors
Geometry, Regular, Honors
Algebra II, Regular, Honors
Pre-Calculus, Honors
Calculus Honors, AP (AB, BC)
College Algebra and Trigonometry
Statistics, Regular, Honors
AP Computer Science

PRE-MED ELECTIVES

Anatomy and Physiology, Honors
Human Genetics, Honors
Premed Internship

FOREIGN LANGUAGE

Hebrew I, II
Hebrew III, IV, V, VI, Honors
Spanish I, II, III, IV, Regular, Honors, AP
French I, II

JUDAIC STUDIES

(offerings vary by year, sample of courses)

Introduction to Talmud
Jewish Heroes
From Prophets to Kings
Jewish Philosophy
Jewish Lifecycles
Pirkei Avot
Jewish History through Literature
Jewish Experience in America
Israel Advocacy

PHYSICAL EDUCATION & HEALTH

Health/Personal Fitness
Yoga

PERFORMING ARTS

Drama/Acting
Instrumental Ensemble
Vocal Choir
Musical Theater
AP Music Theory
Theater History

FINE ARTS

2D/3D Art
Digital Photography
Portfolio Art, Honors, AP
Film History and Sports Broadcasting

EXTRACURRICULAR

AIPAC
Art for the Heart
Holocaust Awareness Club
Mu Alpha Theta
National Honor Society
Pre-Med Club
Rho Kappa - Social Studies Honor Society
Science Honor Society
Student Government

LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

- AIPAC High School Summit and National Conference
- AKIVA Leadership Program
- Alexander Muss High School in Israel
- B'nai Brith, Anti-Defamation League Programs
- Community and Business Internships
- Community Blood Bank
- Community Outreach
- Geshet Leadership Summer Program
- Lead America
- Local Synagogues
- Maccabi
- March of the Living
- Model UN
- National Youth Leadership Conference

REQUIREMENTS

Judaic Studies	4.0 Credits
English	4.0 Credits
Social Studies	4.0 Credits
Foreign Language*	3.0 Credits
Mathematics	4.0 Credits
Science	4.0 Credits
Electives	5.0 Credits
Personal Fitness	0.5 Credit
Performing and/or Fine Arts	1.0 Credit
Health	0.5 Credit
Community Service	100 Hours

In addition to required courses, a number of electives are available to students.

* Hebrew required unless student has passed Hebrew competency test

GRADING SCALE

A	93-100	4.0
A-	90-92	3.7
B+	87-89	3.5
B	83-86	3.0
B-	80-82	2.7
C+	77-79	2.5
C	73-76	2.0
C-	70-72	1.7
D+	67-69	1.5
D	63-66	1.0
D-	60-62	0.7
F	59-below	0.0

Honors courses receive an additional weight of 0.50; Advanced Placement courses receive an additional weight of 1.0

SUMMER PROGRAMS

- Alexander Muss High School in Israel
- Berklee College of Music
- Brown University
- Cambridge University
- Carnegie Mellon University
- Florida State University Young Scholars
- International Student Exchange Programs
- MIT Women's Technology Program
- Nova Southeastern University
- University of California, Los Angeles
- University of Florida Hispanic High School Scholar Program
- University of Florida Summer Science Institute
- University of Miami
- University of Wisconsin

COLLEGE AND POST-GRADUATE ACCEPTANCES 2002-2016*

Adelphi University	Florida Atlantic University Honors College	Northwestern University	University of California/Los Angeles
Albany Medical School	Florida Gulf Coast University	Northwood University	University of California/Santa Barbara
Allegheny College	Florida Institute of Technology	Nova Southeastern University	University of Central Florida
AMDA College and Conservatory of Performing Arts	Florida International University	Nova Southeastern University College of Osteopathic Medicine	University of Central Florida Honors Program
American Academy of Dramatic Arts	Florida International University Honors Program	Nova Southeastern University Dental School	University of Colorado/Boulder
American University	Florida Polytechnic University	Nova Southeastern University Law School	University of Connecticut
Arizona State University	Florida Southern College	Ohio State University	University of Delaware
Art Institute of Fort Lauderdale	Florida State University	Oglethorpe University	University of Florida
Auburn University	Florida State Honors Program	Oklahoma State University	University of Florida Honors Program
Austin University	Fordham College	Oxford College/Emory	University of Georgia
Averett University	Fort Lauderdale Art Institute	Pace University	University of Hartford
Babson College	Fort Lewis College	Penn State University	University of Hawaii
Bard College	Franklin W. Olin College of Engineering	Pittsburgh State University	University of Illinois
Bar Ilan University	Full Sail University	Pratt Institute of Technology	University of Iowa
Barnard College/Columbia University	Georgetown University	Princeton University	University of Kansas
Barry University	George Washington University	Purdue University	University of London/Queen Mary
Berklee College of Music	George Washington University BA/MD Program	Queensborough Community College	University of London/Royal Holloway
Binghamton University	George Washington University Law School	Raphael Recanati International Institute of Government	University of Maryland
Boston University	Georgia Institute of Technology	Reed University	University of Maryland Honors Program
Boston University BA/MD program	Gettysburg College	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	University of Miami
Boston University Law School	Goucher College	Rice University	University of Miami Honors Program
Brandeis University	Hamline University	Rider College	University of Miami Law School
Broward College	Harvard Law School	Rochester Institute of Technology	University of Miami Medical School
Brown University	Harvard University	Rollins College	University of Michigan
Bryant College	Haverford College	Rutgers University	University of North Florida
Bucknell University	Hofstra University	Rutgers University Honors Program	University of Pennsylvania
California State U/Fullerton	Hofstra University Law School	Salisbury University	University of Pennsylvania Law School
California State U/Long Beach	Indiana University/Bloomington	Santa Fe College	University of Pittsburgh
California State U/Northridge	Illinois State University	School of the Art Institute of Chicago	University of Rhode Island
Carnegie Mellon University	Iowa State University	School of Visual Arts/New York	University of Rochester
Case Western Reserve University	Ithaca College	Simmons College	University of Rochester
CCNY/Queens College	Jacksonville University	St. Johns University	University of South Florida
Central Piedmont College	Johns Hopkins University	St. Joseph College	University of Southern California
Colgate University	Johnson & Wales University	St. Olaf College	University of Southern California Medical School
College of the Atlantic	Kennesaw State University	Stanford University	University of Tampa
College of Charleston	Lafayette College	Staten Island College	University of Tel Aviv
College of William & Mary	LeCordon Bleu College of Culinary Arts	Stern College	University of Tennessee
Colorado College	Lehigh University	Stetson University	University of Toronto
Colorado State University	Lesley College	Suffolk University	University of the Arts
Columbia College of Chicago	List College (JTS)	SUNY/Binghamton	University of the Pacific
Columbia College of Chicago Honors Program	Loyola University	SUNY/Buffalo	University of Virginia
Columbia University	Lynn University	SUNY/Maritime College	University of Washington
Cornell University	Maryland Institute College of Art	SUNY/Purchase	University of West Florida
Curry College	Marymount Manhattan College	SUNY/Stonybrook	University of Wisconsin
Denver University	Manhattan College	Swansea Metropolitan University/Wales	Utica College
DePaul University	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	Syracuse University	Vanderbilt University
Dickinson College	McGill University	Technion International School of Engineering	Vassar College
Dowling College	Miami University of Ohio	Temple University	Virginia Commonwealth Medical School
Drew University	Michigan State University	Texas Christian University	Virginia Commonwealth University
Drexel Medical School	Millikin University	The New School	Wagner College
Drexel University	Montclair State University	Touro College	Wake Forest University
Duke University	Mount Holyoke College	Towson University	Washington College
Eckerd College	Mount Ida College	Trinity College	Washington & Lee University
Elmhurst College	Muhlenberg College	Tufts University	Washington University in St. Louis
Elon University	New College of Florida	Tulane University	Webber International University
Emerson College	New England College	Union College	Wesleyan University
Emory University	New York University	University of Alabama/Tuscaloosa	Wheaton College
Fairleigh Dickenson University	New York University Dental School	University of Arizona	William & Mary Law School
Fashion Institute of Technology	Northeastern University	University of California/Irvine	Wingate University
Florida Atlantic University	Northern Michigan University		Yeshiva University



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Grades 9 - 12

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* Post graduate listings are a sampling of acceptances

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