

# DAVID POSNACK JEWISH DAY SCHOOL PAUL AND MAGGIE FISCHER HIGH SCHOOL

PROFILE 2015-2016

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### **A**FFILIATIONS

- Broward County Nonpublic School Association
- Central Agency for Jewish Education
- Jewish Community Day School Network-RAVSAK
- 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 and Florida Kindergarten Council

CLASS OF 2015 100% ACCEPTANCE TO 4-year colleges and universities



## 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 171 students in 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 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

### **STUDENT HONORS & AWARDS**

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

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. Our tablet computer technology brings limitless resources to the classrooms in grades K-12 as an instrumental and collaborative tool. The high school environment encourages students to extend their intellectual muscles, all the while knowing that the Posnack family is there for support and guidance throughout the process.

### **LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

- AIPAC High School Summit and National Conference
- AKIVA Leadership Program
- Alexander Muss High School in Israel
- Best Buddies
- B'nai Brith, Anti-Defamation League Programs
- Community and Business Internships
- Community Blood Bank
- Community Outreach
- Gesher Leadership Summer Program
- Jewish Federation of Broward County
- Lead America
- Local Synagogues
- Maccabi
- March of the Living
- Model UN
- Moot Beit Din
- National Youth Leadership Conference
- Volunteer Programs with Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital
- WECARE Food Pantry
- Youth Leadership Broward



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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

American Government, Regular, Honors, AP American History, Regular, Honors, AP Debate Economics, Regular, Honors, AP European History, AP Human Geography, AP Jewish History, Regular, Honors Psychology, AP World History, Regular, Honors Intro to Business

#### SCIENCE

Biology, Regular, Honors, AP Chemistry, Regular, Honors, AP Environmental Science, Regular, Honors, AP Intro to Engineering Bio Medical Engineering Marine Biology, Honors Physics, Honors, AP Technology Internship

#### MATHEMATICS

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

#### PRE-MED ELECTIVES

Anatomy and Physiology, Honors Bio Medical Ethics Human Genetics, Honors Medical Terminology Premed Internship

#### PRE LAW ELECTIVES

Debate Legal Internship Legal Studies I, II

#### FOREIGN LANGUAGE

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

#### JUDAIC STUDIES

Advanced Judaic Seminars Israel History, Politics, and Advocacy (12th Grade) Jewish Philosophy Role of Women in Shaping the Development of Judaism Contemporary Issues and Jewish Law Holocaust and Human Behavior

#### PHYSICAL EDUCATION & HEALTH

Health/Personal Fitness Weight Training

#### PERFORMING ARTS

Drama/Acting Drum Line Instrumental Music Jazz Band & Chorus Musical Theater Vocal Music

#### FINE ARTS

2D/3D Art Digital Photography Portfolio Art, Honors, AP Video Production and Sports Broadcasting

#### EXTRACURRICULAR

AIPAC Art for the Heart Best Buddies Big Sister/Little Sister Mentor Program Jewish Student Union Key Club Moot Beit Din Mu Alpha Theta National Honor Society Pre-Med Club SADD Student Government Thespians

#### VARSITY ATHLETICS

Baseball Basketball Cross County Flag Football Golf Soccer Softball Swimming Tennis Volleyball

### REQUIREMENTS

Tanach/Rabbinics	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

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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 2002-2015\*

Adelphi University Albany Medical School Alleghenv College American University Arizona State University Art Institute of Fort Lauderdale Auburn University Austin University Averett University Babson College Bard College Bar Ilan University Barnard College/Columbia University Barry University Berklee College of Music Binghamton University Boston University Boston University BA/MD program Boston University Law School Brandeis University Brown University Bryant College California State U/Fullerton California State U/Long Beach California State U/Northridge Carnegie Mellon University Case Western Reserve University CCNY/Queens College Central Piedmont College Colgate University College of the Atlantic College of Charleston College of William & Mary Colorado College Colorado State University Columbia College of Chicago Columbia College of Chicago Honors Program Columbia University Cornell University Curry College Denver University DePaul University Dickinson College Dowling College Drew University Drexel Medical School Drexel University Duke University Eckerd College Elmhurst College **Emerson College** Emory University Fairleigh Dickenson University Fashion Institute of Technology Florida Atlantic University Florida Atlantic University Honors College Florida Gulf Coast University



Florida Polytechnic University Florida Southern College Florida State University Florida State Honors Program Fordham College Fort Lauderdale Art Institute Fort Lewis College Franklin W. Olin College of Engineering Full Sail University Georgetown University George Washington University George Washington University BA/MD Program George Washington University Law School Georgia Institute of Technology Gettysburg College Goucher College Hamline University Harvard Law School Harvard University Haverford College Hofstra University Hofstra University Law School Indiana University/Bloomington Illinois State University Iowa State University Ithaca College Jacksonville University Johns Hopkins University Johnson & Wales University Kennesaw State University LeCordon Bleu College of Culinary Arts Lesley College List College (JTS) Loyola University Lynn University Maryland Institute College of Art Marymount Manhattan College Manhattan College Massachusetts Institute of Technology Miami University of Ohio Michigan State University Millikin University Mount Holyoke College Mount Ida College Muhlenberg College New England College New York University New York University Dental School Northeastern University Northern Michigan University Northwestern University Northwood University DAVID POSNACK JEWISH DAY SCHOOL

Florida Institute of Technology

Florida International University

Florida International University

Honors Program

Nova Southeastern University Nova Southeastern University College of Osteopathic Medicine Nova Southeastern University Dental School Nova Southeastern University Law School Ohio State University Oglethorpe University Oklahoma State University Oxford College/Emory Pace University Penn State University Pittsburgh State University Pratt Institute of Technology Princeton University Purdue University Queensborough Community College Raphael Recanati International Institute of Government Reed University Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Rice University Rider College Rochester Institute of Technology **Rollins** College **Rutgers University** Rutgers University Honors Program Salisbury University School of the Art Institute of Chicago School of Visual Arts/New York Simmons College St. Johns University St. Joseph College St. Olaf College Stanford University Staten Island College Stern College Stetson University Suffolk University SUNY/Binghamton SUNY/Buffalo SUNY/Maritime College SUNY/Stonybrook Swansea Metropolitan University/Wales Syracuse University **Technion International** School of Engineering Temple University Texas Christian University Touro College Towson University Tufts University **Tulane University** Union College University of Alabama/Tuscaloosa University of Arizona University of California/Irvine University of California/Los Angeles

University of California/Santa Barbara University of Central Florida University of Central Florida Honors Program University of Colorado/Boulder University of Connecticut University of Delaware University of Florida University of Florida Honors Program University of Georgia University of Hartford University of Hawaii University of Illinois University of Iowa University of Kansas University of Maryland University of Maryland Honors Program University of Massachusetts University of Miami University of Miami Honors Program University of Miami Law School University of Miami Medical School University of Michigan University of North Florida University of Pennsylvania University of Pennsylvania Law School University of Pittsburgh University of Rhode Island University of Rochester University of South Florida University of Southern California University of Southern California Medical School University of Tampa University of Tel Aviv University of Tennessee University of Toronto University of the Pacific University of Virginia University of Washington University of West Florida University of Wisconsin Utica College Vanderbilt University Vassar College Virginia Commonwealth Medical School Virginia Commonwealth University Wagner College Wake Forest University Washington College Washington University at St. Louis Washington & Lee University Webber International University Wesleyan University Wheaton College William & Mary Law School Wingate University Yeshiva University

\* Post graduate listings are a sampling of acceptances



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