

THE MESHUTAF TEL AVIV SCHOOL

TEL AVIV'S FIRST PLURALISTIC JEWISH SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY



The Meshutaf Tel Aviv School strives to create a community of alumni, where each individual is secure in his or her own Jewish-Israeli identity, and is motivated by a strong sense of social and communal responsibility.

"I want my child to think about Judaism – philosophy, texts and culture – as an integral part of his or her life, alongside humanist principles and world culture."

- Daniel, Father of Elya

Meshutaf Tel Aviv is a not-for-profit organization that was established in 2011.

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MESHUTAF TEL AVIV - INCLUSIVE JEWISH PLURALISTIC EDUCATION

The Meshutaf Tel Aviv School is the only school in Tel Aviv that offers a pluralistic Jewish education.

In accordance with the "status quo" arrangement set at the time of Israel's establishment, religious and secular students were separated from kindergarten through high school into different educational systems.

In the last decades of the 20th century, educators, parents and social activists alike, came to believe that this separation of school-age children had detrimental effects on Israeli society as a whole. As a result, a movement set out to establish mixed schools where children coming with diverse Jewish identities, traditions and various levels of religious engagement could learn together in a school.

In September 2014, after years of effort and, in cooperation with the Municipality of Tel Aviv and the Ministry of Education, we opened our first kindergarten and grade school classes.

Today, the Meshutaf Tel Aviv School includes children in preschool to grade 5 coming from a range of religious backgrounds.



*"I hope that my children will grow up to be open and tolerant people without relying on stereotypes or fear of those who are different from them."
- Tzivia, Mother of Yael, Amit & Yuval*

WHY MESHUTAF TEL AVIV?

Pluralistic Jewish Studies

The Meshutaf Tel Aviv School provides supplementary study hours for Jewish subjects, in addition to the State mandated core curriculum. The school receives pedagogical support from Meitarim.



Community

The Meshutaf Tel Aviv School's families constitute a thriving community that reflects the heterogeneous character of Israeli society; one that includes veteran Israelis, recent immigrants and secular, traditional, mixed and religious families. Community life is centered around the school, and is enriched by organized cultural and educational activities, holiday celebrations, beit midrash-style study evenings, and many other activities for children and their parents.



Pedagogical Team

The kindergarten and school teachers are chosen for their excellence as educators and their identification with the values of pluralistic education. Each staff member receives on-going training and participates in professional development programs to enhance and broaden their skill base for the type of education the Meshutaf Tel Aviv School promotes.

