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## LARGE STUDENT DELEGATION ATTENDS AIPAC POLICY CONFERENCE AND APPLAUD RABBI KIRSCH AS HE RECEIVES ESTEEMED AWARD

Close to 50 students from RKYHS attended the AIPAC Policy Conference in Washington, DC, one of the largest student delegations in the country. Throughout the jam-packed three day Israel advocacy conference the students selected from hundreds of informative breakout sessions to attend where they built their own schedules on topics that interested them including the Iran nuclear threat, BDS, diversity in Israel, and an AIPAC on Campus session entitled “Amplifying High School Activism. The delegation took part in the inaugural general session for the thousands of high school and college students that as held in the Verizon Center. Students also heard from inspiring speakers including Israel’s Ambassador to the US Ron Dermer, Vice President Mike Pence, and US ambassador to the UN Nikki Haley.

The delegation was filled with pride as Rabbi Richard Kirsch, faculty adviser to the school’s AIPAC group received the well-deserved Early Engagement Exemplar award given to leaders of student AIPAC groups. Rabbi Kirsch was one of only three awardees in the country to receive this award.

The AIPAC Policy Conference is an extension of the work done by the RKYHS AIPAC student group throughout the year. The group meets weekly to plan political advocacy projects, host guest speakers, hear student presentations, as well as participate in special trips.

