



# JOSEPH KUSHNER HEBREW ACADEMY

## RAE KUSHNER YESHIVA HIGH SCHOOL

### BOUTIQUE *TEFILLA* GROUPS AIM AT ENHANCING *TEFILLA* EXPERIENCE

This past Wednesday morning, RKYHS kicked off its weekly “boutique *tefila*” program. Students were given the option of, instead of attending the regular school minyan, exploring themes and ideas about *tefila* in an informal group setting. With a wide range of choices to choose from, students were given the chance to discuss their questions and struggles with *tefila* and learn different perspectives from various members of our Judaic Studies faculty. Some of the close to a dozen options for *tefila* groups are:

#### *Tefilla* Through Song

We will connect to *tefila* using the power of music and the power of uniting our voices in song.

#### The Vicissitudes of *Tefilla*

We will take a close look at the various themes and tones embedded in *tefila*.

#### *Tefilla* and Halacha

What should we do when the bus gets to school late? What do I “really have to say”? What does Halacha tell us about the nature of *tefila*? Pray with us and find out.

#### Reflective *Tefilla*

Using different *tefillot* and stories each week, we will discuss and reflect on how *tefillot* relate to us. We will learn how *tefillot* can help us connect to our lives and to Hashem in today’s world.

It is our hope that each and every student will find his or her unique voice in the very special daily opportunity of connection to Hashem through *tefila*.

