



ELLA BROWN

CANDIDATE FOR
PROGRAMMING VICE
PRESIDENT 5779-5780

QUALIFICATIONS

- NFTY-CAR Membership Vice President 5778-5779
- NFTY-CAR participant since 8th grade
- Springboard 18 Under 18 Honoree
- Jewish Student Connection Leadership Team 2018-2019
- Jewish Student Connection Participant since 2016
- Freshman Representative to OPTY 2016-2017
- OPTY member since 2016
- Avodah Corps 2019
- L'taken Lobbyist 2018
- Mechina 2018
- Camp CAR Counselor 2018, 2019
- 7 year OSRUI Camper
- Little Bits Workshop Assistant Teacher

שלום! Hello! I'm Ella Brown and I am so excited to announce my candidacy for Programming Vice President! I am a Junior at Oak Park and River Forest High School. I love spending time with old friends and meeting new ones, and NFTY creates an incredible opportunity to do that! In the past year, I have had the honor of serving this incredible community as NFTY CAR's Membership Vice President. This region has given me so much, and I am so lucky to have had the opportunity to watch this region grow in both size and strength.

WHY PVP

As our community has grown, it's needs have changed. I would love to work together to make sure that our programming best reflects our growing and changing kehillah. I believe that our programs should be as fun, interesting, and diverse as we are. I want to work with you and for you to put your ideas into action!

INCREASING INPUT

NFTY is a teen-led movement, and it is time that every teen has a say in our events and programming. I want change the post-event surveys so that the questions give us better insight into what this community needs, and provide and time and incentives for people to take these surveys so that we hear all of our community's voices, regardless of how involved they are. I also plan to increase communication with congregations, so that we can hear from teens who are not yet involved. This way, we can make sure we are best serving current and potential NFTYites.

USING OUTSIDE RESOURCES

Our NFTY community, the larger Jewish community, and the greater Chicago area, is filled with amazing people. I want to use these people as resources and partners, to create amazing programming for our region. Whether that means spending time with that fantastic Israeli dance group from fall kallah, bringing in Holocaust survivors, or hearing from local politicians, we can use outside resources to create unique opportunities for NFTY CAR.

SCHEDULING MATTERS

As PVP, I would be responsible for crafting the schedule at each event. Just as the content of each program matters, the way we schedule these programs, meals, free time, services, asefah, big fun and every other activity matters. I promise to schedule these things with intention, and to maximize fun!

