

#### Our best programs

#1 The Happiness of Yom Kippur Link:

https://staff.ncsy.org/education/material/ NYZLmqlDQe/the-happiness-of-yom-kippur

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#### **#2 Apology Letters**

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https://staff.ncsy.org/education/material/ RoKhLJd6IG/apology-letters-(jsu/ Contributor: R'Dovid Bashevkin dbash@ou.org

#3 Happy Birthday, Rosh Hashana!

https://staff.ncsy.org/education/material/k9ZxF3bRwh/happy-birthday-rosh-hashana-(jsuContributor: R'Dovid Bashevkin dbash@ou.org

#### Our best media

#1 Rosh Hashanah Simanim Card

Link:

https://staff.ncsy.org/education/material/ SeiXZ9FeWf/rosh-hashanah-simanim-card

Contributor: Rachel Olson rachel@ncsy.org

#### #2 High Holiday Cards

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https://staff.ncsy.org/education/material/ BzatQxAbV8/high-holiday-cards/

Contributor: NCSY Staff

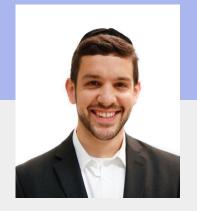
#### #3 Sukkot-a-palooza

https://staff.ncsy.org/education/mater ial/yoYmeLX9GC/sukkot-a-palooza-(inf ographic/

Contributor: Mike Wirth mikewirthart.com



- Candy apples to teach human potential
- Candy Sukkahs to teach kosher Sukkah



## MEET CLEVELAND CITY DIRECTOR,

Rabbi Menachem Tenenbaum!



### HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN RUNNING JSU CLUBS?

This is my fifth season.

### WHAT DO YOU LOVE MOST ABOUT JSU CLUBS?

When I see a teen light up from something they learned through the club.

# WHAT IS THE MOST SUCCESSFUL ACTIVITY YOU HAVE USED?

The Missing Piece, which is available on the NCSY Education website. https://staff.ncsy.org/education/material/eMDYGarAaQ/the-missing-piece/

## HOW DO YOU PREPARE FOR JSU CLUBS?

Every summer I work on my clubs for the entire year. This helps on a week to week basis because the work is already done. Every year I add new elements to my preparation, so for example this year I added a shopping list to every club.

### HOW DO YOU GET TEENS TO SHOW UP TO THE FIRST CLUB OF THE YEAR?

I am so cool I just show up and they come... Actually not at all. Most schools have club fairs and my president gets teens to sign up for the club.

# HOW DO YOU MANAGE TEACHING AND BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS IN SUCH A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME?

Best way I manage is bringing a second person. One of us is "teaching" or leading the other is focused on each teen.

# WHAT IS ONE PIECE OF ADVICE YOU WISH SOMEONE GAVE YOU BEFORE RUNNING YOUR FIRST JSU CLUB?

Just go in and experience a few clubs before getting excited about lofty goals. Once you have a sense of what you are doing and how you do it you could better understand why you do it.

## IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE YOU'D LIKE TO SHARE?

Working for the klal is an amazing responsibility and pleasure. Being part of the klal not just the teens but even amongst us staff is amazing. It would be delightful if we could share our best clubs in an accessible way. So if you have a google doc of some sort I have found many people would love to look through it and glean ideas. If anyone would ever like to collaborate on developing clubs I would be #Allin rabbit@ncsy.org