

Mrs. Sarah Newmark



Mrs. Sarah Newmark enjoys the privilege of teaching her high school students in Chicago for thirty years. As a child she attended Arie Crown Hebrew Day School and then went on to the Ida Crown Jewish Academy - Girls Division. After getting a teacher certification from *Bais Yaakov of Yerushalayim Seminary (BJJ)*, she received a bachelor's degree in secondary education with a minor in biology from Northeastern Illinois University. For five years she taught *limudei kodesh* and secular studies at Hillel Torah North Suburban Day School, and then became the science and biology instructor at Bais Yaakov High School of Chicago when it opened, creating the curriculum there. She also taught conceptual physics and health at Hanna Sachs Bais Yaakov High School.

Mrs. Newmark feels that a teacher's role is to inspire her students to find enjoyment in learning and to apply what they have learned to their daily lives. As a science teacher, she aspires to arouse their curiosity about the world around them and how it works while realizing the benefits they derive from science and technology. She engages her students with entertaining scientific demonstrations and frequent hands-on experiences.

Her classes differentiate for all types of learners. Weaker students enjoy the dramatic presentations and practical applications of the science, and brighter students enjoy the challenge of hypothesizing how the material relates to their life. All modalities of learning are included, leading to long term retention of the material. Many students have reported back years later that they are frequently applying what they have learned to their lives!

As the daughter of two Holocaust survivors, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Groner of Chicago, Mrs. Newmark is the coordinator of the *Yom Iyun* on the Holocaust. This very inspiring, full day immersion program takes place every four years at the school. As a child of survivors, she feels compelled to educate future generations about that era.

Mrs. Newmark, and her husband, Rabbi Shlomo Newmark are grateful to the ATT for the wonderful schools it supports in the Chicago community. Their seven children have all had exceptionally successful educations attending Joan Dachs Bais Yaakov, Yeshiva Ohr Boruch, Bais Yaakov High School, and Telshe Yeshiva.