



Write On For Israel

Participant Application – Part 1 due June 3, 2011

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone (cell): _____ (home): _____

E-mail (please print clearly): _____

Parents' name: _____

Phone (if different from above): _____ (cell): _____

E-mail address (please print clearly): _____

School: _____

Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____ High School Graduation year: _____

List your extracurricular activities. Include and describe your participation in pro-Israel activities in your community, at your school, youth group or synagogue:

Prior visits to Israel? _____ If yes, when and with whom _____

References: (one academic and one personal)

Name: _____ Name: _____

Phone: _____ Phone: _____

Are you currently writing for your school or community newspaper? _____ If so, please submit two clippings.





Write On For Israel Participant Application – Part 2

Name: _____

Please write two essays of approximately 500 words each (*Hint: To properly answer these questions and write a coherent, substantive essay, you will have to do some initial research. You can use the Internet, newspapers or books for your research*)

Essay #1: Tell us about an event in your life and your response to it that closely reflects who you are as a person. If possible, relate that event to your being Jewish or to Israel.

Essay #2: Choose from **one** of the following topics:

1. There's a new prime minister in Israel and you are his closest advisor. What are the top three issues you want him to address in his first 100 days in office? Explain why these are important.
2. The settlements (in the West Bank) are a thorny issue which divides both Israelis and Jews everywhere. Indicate where you stand on the issue of settlements and provide reasons why. Also indicate what you see happening to the one million or more Palestinians currently residing in the West Bank.
3. Your college campus is planning to host Israel Apartheid Week next March. You are planning a counter event and are applying for funds to put it on. First, explain Israel Apartheid Week. Then describe what your counter event will consist of and what you hope it will accomplish.

Program cost:

First year: \$1000.00 participation fee is due upon acceptance to the program

Second year: \$300.00 participation fee

Gift of Israel saving can be applied to the cost. Financial aid is available.

Due to significant funding by The AVI CHAI Foundation, all other costs are covered.

Note:

Due to program scheduling conflicts, students cannot participate in both **Write On For Israel** and **The Saltzman Youth Panel** in their junior year.

Send completed application and essays by to:
26500 Shaker Blvd., Cleveland, OH 44122.

@ Akiva,

Personal interviews will be conducted during August and September, 2011.

Office Use Only: Number _____ Date received _____



The *Write On For Israel* Program

Please review the following dates, as attendance at all programs is *mandatory*.

Your participation contribution for Year 1 and The Israel Mission will be **\$1000.00**. The **\$300.00** fee for Year 2 expenses will be required by June 15, 2012. Significant funding from The AVI CHAI Foundation pays program, food and travel expenses for Year 1, The Israel Mission, and Year 2. *Scholarships are available and individual financial arrangements can be made by contacting Amnon Ophir at 216-464-4050.*

Write On For Israel is a two-year involvement.

First Year Experiences

Parent/student Orientation		October 18, 2011 <i>(This is a 1 hour meeting beginning at 8:00PM)</i>
*Seminar One: <i>The Big Picture</i>		October 30, 2011
Seminar Two: <i>Me, Israel and the Rest of the Campus</i>		December 11, 2012
Seminar Three: <i>1948 – The Rebeginning and the Media</i>		January 8, 2012
Seminar Four: <i>1967 – The New Challenges</i>		February 12, 2012
Seminar Five: <i>The Road to Peace – The 70's and 80's</i>		March 18, 2012
Seminar Six: <i>The Struggle for Peace – The 90's to Today</i>		April 15, 2012
Reel Israel 2012		April 29, 2012
Seminar Seven: <i>Ma Hamatzav</i>		May 6, 2012
Informational meeting for Israel Mission and parents)	(Participants	May 22, 2012
**Israel Mission		June 17- 27, 2012

**Seminars begin at 10:00am and end at 5:00pm. Kosher meals are served. Participants will have reading and written assignments between sessions, intended to enhance their Israel knowledge and hone their journalistic skills. Students are required to complete these assignments. Throughout the school year, students will be encouraged to attend additional communal events relating to Israel.*

***The Israel Mission is a unique advocacy experience – it is not a tour. WOFI Fellows will learn both 'hard' (reactive) and 'soft' (proactive) advocacy through a program of experiences as diverse as travelling Israel's Northern border under the guidance of Reserve Colonel Kobi Meron, and attending a rock concert in Tel Aviv.*

Second Year Experiences

Advocacy Trip:	Student will attend advocacy seminar in Washington D.C.
A Journalistic Portfolio:	Student will develop a journalistic portfolio based on their advocacy experiences.
A Group advocacy project:	The student will participate in group initiated advocacy project.

