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2025-26 CLEVELAND SHIN SHIN

Hi everyone!

Before I start, I just want to say that I'm so excited to be one of the 25-26 Cleveland Shinshinim and I can't wait to come to Cleveland already!

My name is Sahar Genis and I live in Kibbutz Sde Nahum which is located in the Valley Of Springs. I have lived there with my family for almost 16 years now. My father, Arie, has his own business of installing cameras and electronic systems, My mother's name is Marga and she is currently working as a VM (visual merchandising) in a clothing store called Urbanica. I also have an older brother whose name is Ofek. He finished his military

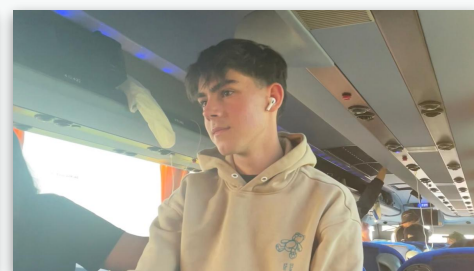
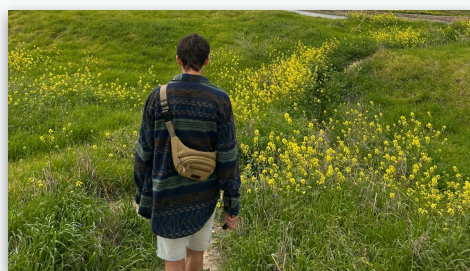
service in Golani last month and right now he is working as a security guard in the Valley. We also have a 5-year-old dog named Ray, who is a mix of a Siberian husky and Australian shepherd. He is the cutest and the most beautiful dog I have ever seen. I love living in the kibbutz because I feel it taught me many of the values I live by as a person such as optimism, humor, adaptability and more.



My majors in school are theatre, biology and Bible. In biology we learn about cells, ecology, and the system of the human body, in Bible class we are learning the Bible from a more literary and philosophical point of view. In theater we learn about the history of theater, production roles and different acting styles. I am also part of an acting studio that happens once a week in the Valley. I have been part of the studio for 6 years now and it will always be close to my heart.

In my free time I like to hang out with my friends, play video games, walk my dog, listen to music and go on hikes. I really like summer time in the Valley because I can go to the springs with my friends - that's really one of my favorite things to do. I am also in

a youth movement in my kibbutz called "Bnei Hamoshavim". I've been going to these activities since I was in fourth grade. The in 10th grade, I started to conduct the young groups of the kibbutz, guiding 4th and 10th graders. This year I am the coordinator of the 4 - 6 graders and my job is to help the other instructors make activities, organize events and more.



Last year I was in one of the partnership programs called "TeenShinim". In the program I learned a lot about the Jewish people in the diaspora, the role of the Jewish Agency and about the partnership between Cleveland, Beit She'an and the Valley of Springs. We even had a delegation to Cleveland where we spent time watching and working with the ShinShinim to understand what the shinshin role really is. This opportunity was so important. I got to experience a little bit of the community and city in a week so I'm sure being in Cleveland for a year will absolutely be AMAZING.

After that trip, I was so eager to be accepted to be a ShinShin, and I'm so happy it is with my area's partnership community! I can't wait to come in August and meet everyone!

