



Logic Model

Honoring the memory of Belda K. Lindenbaum z"l

Mission

Machon Siach seeks to shape the high school into a “thinking institution” by empowering teachers to meaningfully engage topics in Modern Orthodox education, bridging theory and practice in order to strengthen our capacity for living a committed and observant Jewish life while engaged with the broader world in our contemporary moment.

- *We seek to develop educators as thought leaders by providing opportunities for ‘practical learning and scholarship’ through our **Faculty Beit Midrash**.*
 - *We will create opportunities for educational experimentation and innovation that result from our ‘practical learning’ through our **Innovation Lab**.*
 - *We cultivate **strategic partnerships** to nurture collaboration between educators, parents, alumni and other organizations and experts through which to meaningfully engage with contemporary educational challenges.*

Values and Programs

FBM Faculty Beit Midrash	Innovation Lab	Makom B'Siach	Siach Collaborative
<p>Goal: Empower teachers to meaningfully engage issues in contemporary Modern Orthodox education through collaborative learning, research and writing, creating practical educational scholarship.</p> <p>Current Focus Areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Israel Education● Teaching Talmud● Culture of Grading● Sexual Ethics	<p>Goal: Create opportunities for educational experimentation and innovation that grow from educators' imaginations or research conducted within the FBM.</p> <p>Innovation Areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Curricular Innovation● Cultural Change● Data Collection	<p>Goal: Engage the parent and young professional community in our learning process to strengthen their involvement and for educators to learn from their partnership.</p> <p>Programs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Makom B'Siach (Parents)● SGF (Siach Graduate Fellowship for Young Professionals)	<p>Goal: Create a context for educators to connect with other experts in order to meaningfully engage with contemporary educational challenges</p> <p>Partners:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Center for Middle East Peace (Israel Education)● Communities That Care (Substance Use)● ניהול שיחה - An International Principals' Network (In formation)

Jewish Sexual Ethics Curriculum

Curriculum Topics

- Sexuality as Part of Ethical Development
- Hook Up Culture/Casual Sex
- Consent & Rape/Abuse in Jewish Law
- Premarital Sex: Niddah, Negiah and the Value Waiting Until Marriage
- Yichud
- Pornography
- Masturbation
- Sexual Values of Judaism



The Takeaways

- Judaism in Sex Positive! “RPPT” – right person, place and time:)
- It is OK to find this (the halakhot and even the values) difficult! It *is* challenging! Embrace the struggle as a life project.
- We all sin and we also experience guilt and shame. Let’s try to reduce the shame.
- There is a difference between secrecy and privacy. Privacy can be positive.
- Tzniut and Kedushah – Modesty and Holiness – are values that are part and parcel of Jewish sexuality.
- Know yourself! Think about who you want to be.
- Embrace aspirational values.
- Ethics in the realm of sexuality is key for Judaism.
- Good communication is a key component of any sexual relationship, including for Jews.
- Even one who sins can have a positive relationship with G-d.



Yeshiva League Substance Use Initiative

A Deeper Look At the Data

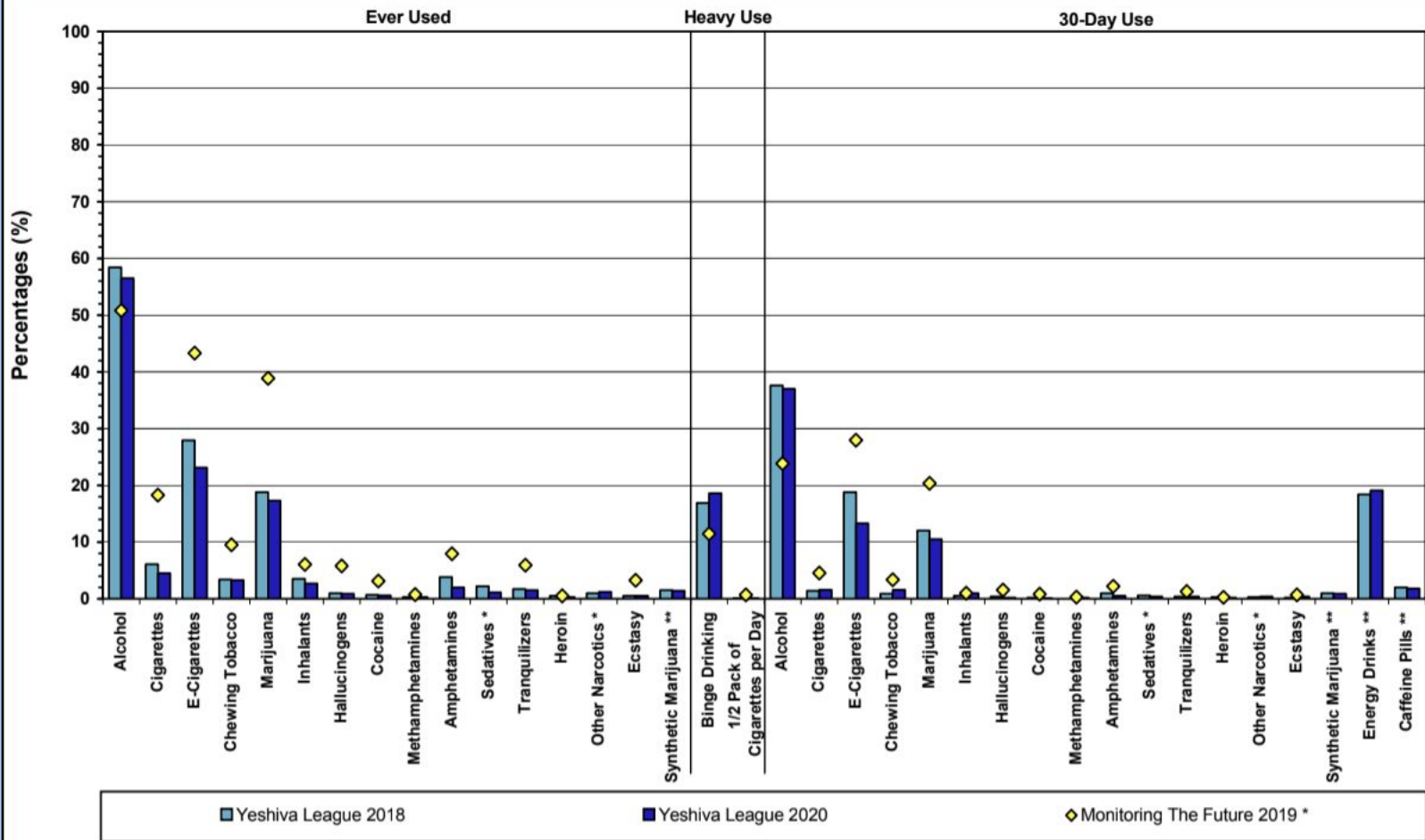
Gathering the Data--2019

- All data were gathered anonymously; they were aggregated and not divided out by individual school
- 2019 Survey:
 - Sample Size: 3372 (19 schools)
 - Survey responses: 2483
 - Response rate: 73.6%

Gathering the Data--2020

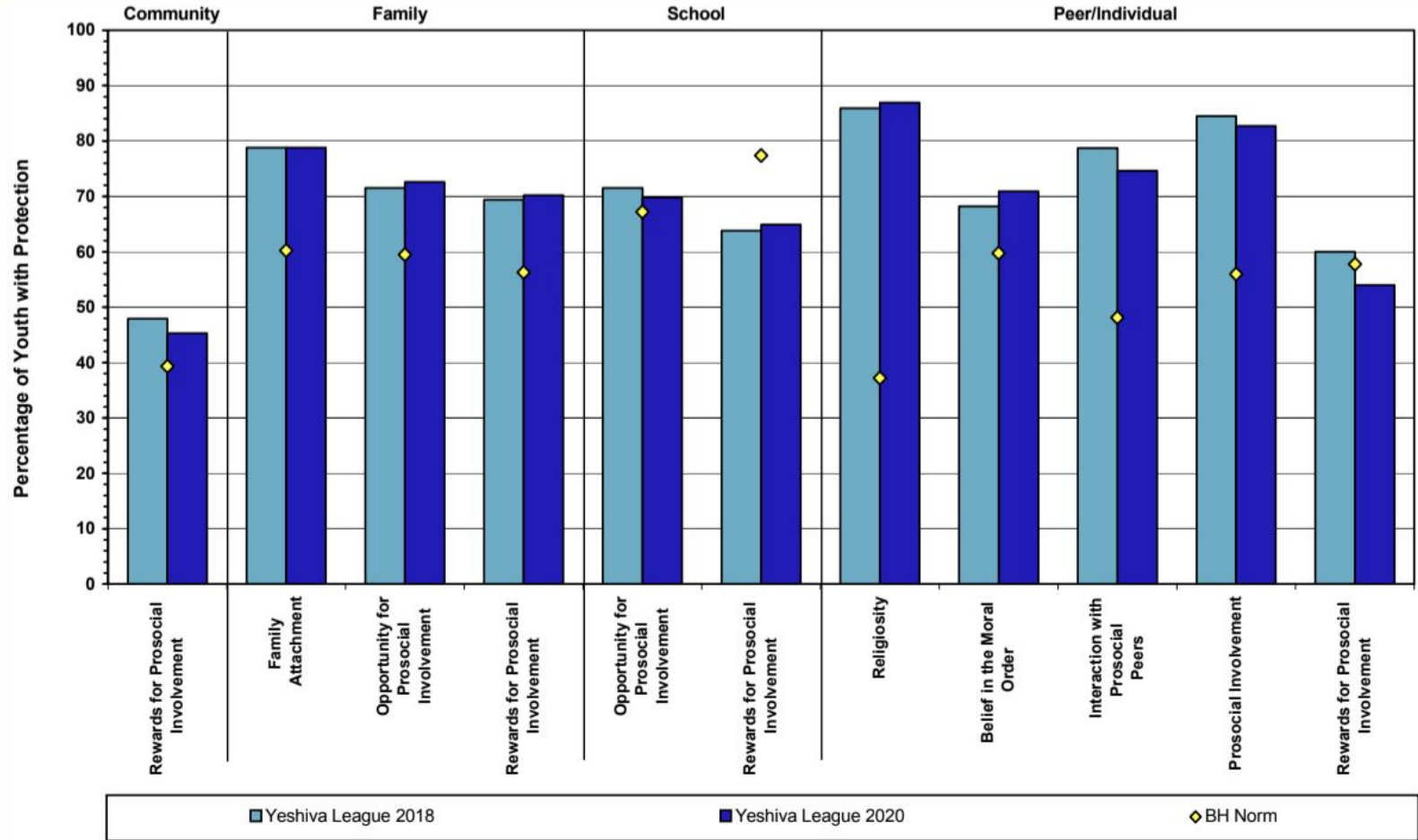
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- 2020 Survey:
 - Sample Size: 2432
 - Survey responses: 1802
 - Response rate: 74%

LIFETIME, 30 DAY & HEAVY ATOD USE 2020 Yeshiva League, All Grades



PROTECTIVE PROFILE

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RISK PROFILE

2020 Yeshiva League, All Grades

