



ILAN RAMON DAY SCHOOL

HEAD OF SCHOOL

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Ilan Ramon Day School is a vibrant early childhood education through 5th grade community focused Jewish Day School in Agoura Hills, CA. Named after one of the most heroic and inspirational Israeli leaders of our time, Ilan Ramon Day School prepares our children to emerge with a solid sense of self and Jewish identity. We are a community Jewish day school with an integrated curriculum focused on critical thinking, community involvement, the values of Judaism, and a personal connection to Israel. Our innovative program develops lifelong learners and leaders by emphasizing intellectual, spiritual, and creative development with a focus on the social-emotional growth of each student. We are an inclusive, pluralistic Jewish Day School that upholds Jewish traditions and the love and support of Israel. We are a tight knit community celebrating personal growth and learning.

We are looking for a leader who can guide the administration and staff as we prepare our students to embrace the diverse challenges of the 21st century. Our next head of school will be an innovator who will support our mission to develop lifelong learners and leaders by emphasizing intellectual, spiritual, and creative development with a focus on social-emotional growth, experiential, process-based learning.

Our school is built on the development of deep interpersonal connections between parents, teachers, family, and students. We are seeking a skilled communicator who can continue to foster these relationships and forge new ones. Our teachers are recognized as a valuable resource, and we are seeking a head of school that can support the growth of our staff and advance the school's operations and programming in order to remain competitive within an excellent school district.

At Ilan Ramon Day School, the Head of School has the overall responsibility for efficiently running all school operations. They are the keeper of the school's values, setting the ethical tone and environment of the school. Through regular prioritizing, delegating, and negotiating among constituents, the head upholds school standards with ongoing evaluation. The head also demonstrates respect for stakeholders by maintaining prompt, honest, and sensitive communication.

More information can be found about our school at our website

www.ilanramondayschool.com

Roles and responsibilities of the Head of School

- Exhibits excellent people skills. The Head of School can interact and engage comfortably with a wide variety of key constituents including board members, parents, faculty, students, major donors, and community leaders. They are warm, honest and have a fair approach in dealing with others. Must be a charismatic, joyful, instinctive ambassador and “Storyteller-in-Chief.”
- Places the needs of the student first and foremost. The Head of School keeps a pulse on the needs of each and every child and supports them as individuals.
- Ensures the educational program aligns with the school’s mission (experiential learning, ‘out of the box’ thinking) and values while overseeing the development and implementation of the general studies and Judaic curriculum.
- Supports and trusts the staff. The Head of School encourages creativity which aligns with the school’s mission while maintaining a positive morale. They are also responsible for staffing the school appropriately.
- Participates in long range strategic planning, ensuring that the school stays aligned with the best practices in education, both secular and Judaic.
- Encourages, fosters, and maintains meaningful relationships with all constituencies including administrators, teachers, staff, students, parents, Board, donors, alumni, and the broader Jewish community.
- Communicates effectively and in a timely fashion with all constituents. This includes excellent written and oral communication skills that complements and enhances the role of being an inspiring leader and ambassador.
- Shows strong management, organizational and operational skills.
- Oversees admissions and marketing to ensure it aligns with the school’s vision.
- Builds commitment, identity, and community among parents, grandparents, alumni, and community members and develops their loyalty as advocates of the school and as contributors to its financial strength and well-being. They need to show a solid track record with the development and implementation of an advancement strategy, as well as experience with donor cultivation.
- Exhibits strong financial acumen including the ability to design and prepare budgets and set financial priorities. If this is not an area the candidate has experience in, there will be an openness to learning.

Apply

To apply to become our next head of school, please send a cover letter and resume to Amy Wasser, Senior Director Prizmah School Services, Prizmah: Center for Jewish Day Schools, at amyw@prizmah.org.

Please include a current, updated resume and cover letter including explanation of interest and qualifications.