SHMUEL I and II SYLLABUS: CHAVIVA HIGH SCHOOL 2020-2021

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Course Overview:

Sefer Shoftim described a time when each shevet acted

in its own interest and there was no unifying leader for Bnei Yisrael. In Shmuel Aleph, the people ask Shmuel Hanavi for a king and a new type of leadership emerges. First we are presented with Shaul Hamelech and his struggles in following the commands of Hashem and the kingship ultimately goes to David Hamelech. David Hamelech faced many obstacles in his lifetime. He ran from Shaul Hamelech for many years, he struggled with his children and the people were not always loyal to him. The themes of leadership and struggle, arrogance and humility, following the command of Hashem and taking action and many more will emerge from the stories.

Course Goals/Objectives:

Students will:

- Translate basic Psukim
- Comprehend the main idea of each perek without translating each and every word
- Become comfortable with the expressions, syntax and grammar of the Navi
- Discuss Hashkafos and themes that emerge from each Perek

Class Goal:

- To enhance and deepen students' belief in Hashem
- To foster a deep love for learning Tanach
- To engage students, encourage questions and to ignite a passion for lifelong learning.

Course Content:

Sefer Shmuel Aleph Sefer Shmuel Beis

Materials for Class:

- Navi text (Blue Navi)
- Binder with divider for Navi papers
- Pen and pencil
- Highlighters (3 colors)

Classroom Rules/ Expectations:

- Come on time
- Bring all class materials
- Growth mindset willingness to try even if the material is difficult at first
- Kavod shown to teacher and fellow students. This will be demonstrated through LISTENING while another person is speaking and not making hurtful remarks or comments about anyone else.

Homework Policy:

- Assignments must be turned in on the due date.
- Late assignments will lose points daily until completely missed.

Grade Breakdown:

- 10% Attendance
- 10% Participation (based on Student Engagement Rubric)
- 80% Tests and Projects