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***BRAVO DR. GADI PRUDOVSKI!***

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**FULL STORY:**

IASA has many special assets. Not mentioned enough, but one of the most important, is the team of teachers. There are significant challenges in educating bright, high-achieving students. However, the rewards far outweigh the challenges. Because of the uniqueness of IASA, outstanding teachers want to have the exciting experience of educating youngsters who really want to learn. Most of IASA's teachers have second and third degrees. Sometimes an expert from academia or industry, without a teaching certificate, is accepted to teach a specialized course.

The relationship between teachers and students at IASA is special. The bonds that are created between them extend far beyond the classroom. Educators are drawn to talented youngsters and the youngsters are thrilled by the mentorship in a personal relationship.

Dr. Gadi Prudovski is an outstanding example. Gadi is an amazing teacher. He just won the National Library of Israel Excellence Award for teaching, an award given to teachers who initiated

meaningful processes to strengthen the humanities – teachers who make human beings valuable and interesting to the students.

Dr. Prudovski is a graduate of Oxford University. He not only teaches, but is a developer of advanced teaching methods. He teaches philosophy and humanities at IASA. Gadi's contributions to education at IASA are remarkable. IASA is the first high school in Israel to have a Humanities Department. It was Gadi who led the team of educators to create this department. Since its creation, the Humanities Department at IASA has become a model for other high schools in Israel, which have established their own Humanities departments.

Over the years, Gadi has led dozens of students to participate in the International Youth Philosophy Olympiad. In 2017 he mentored IASA's Mor Divshi, a 12<sup>th</sup> grade Humanities student. After winning the Israel Philosophy Olympiad, she went on to represent Israel at the International Olympiad which took place in Rotterdam, Netherlands. She was among students from 45 countries. Participants wrote essays in English (not her mother tongue) on "Tolerance" and Mor won the gold medal! Gadi Prudovski's leadership has produced a curriculum that profoundly affects graduates of IASA and schools around the country.

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