

NFTY Par,

When I was a little kid.. you know what, I'll admit, I was maybe 10 I had issues staying away from my parents. I would go to my grandparents house and they would leave and all I would do was cry. I would cry to the point where my dad would have to drive the hour back just to pick me up in the middle of the night. My sister, who most of you know, started going to URJ Camp Harlam around that time. She came home that summer and could not stop speaking of how great camp was. How all she wanted to do was go back. Finally after a year of talking about it, she convinced me. It was time I got over my separation anxiety and tried out camp. I really had my doubts though. I went to camp that next summer and I told myself I could never stop going. It was my second home and there was nothing else like it. I made my bestfriends that summer. No, not even my best friends. I made my second family. My fourth summer at camp everyone was talking about NFTY. NFTY in israel, Running For NFTY board, and all the amazing opportunities it gave you whether it was travel, friends, or leadership.

I would soon join my TYG where I instantly became involved. Not too long after I started going to NFTY events. It was an opportunity to see my camp friends and make even more jewish friends outside of summer. I loved being a part of it and I wanted to be someone that got others more involved. I started as Communications Vice president My freshman year and went to NFTY convention in Texas. There I learned how to become a better leader but also experienced things and met people I would never forget. From That moment I knew I would not stop there. My sophomore year my sister left for Israel where I stepped up and took her position as Membership Vice president. I decided I wanted to do more so I ran for NFTY PAR's Communications Vice president and lost to someone who is now one of my closest friends. Losing the election only made me gain a friend and a great one at that. It also only made me want to become more involved. Through covid I stayed on Committees and went to as many events as I possibly could. I started off as someone who couldn't leave my parents side. NFTY and URJ Camp Harlam made the difference in my life. It made me the leader I am today. I want others to be able to experience and get involved too.

**With my vision of wanting to get many more people involved, I, Delaney Magasiny, Declare my candidacy to serve as your 5781-5782 NFTY PAR Membership Vice President.**

A big part of how I got started in NFTY was my TYG. Which I am so thankful for. As membership Vice president there are many ideas I want to bring to the table. Some include, Creating stronger bonds with TYG's and their advisors by focusing on what they need to support our region. I want to reach out to participants to get their input and ideas, and even start a newsletter to keep members updated on what's going on in the community. I look forward to working closely with other board members to make this all happen.

NFTY is about making connections with past and present members. To keep traditions but also know that there is always room for improvements. ITs about coming together as a big community with many things in common. It is about having fun. I know that if you give me this opportunity I can do amazing things in this position. **So NFTY PAR if elected I cant wait to show you what I can do as your 5781-5782 Membership Vice president.**

**With excitement and love,**

**Delaney Magasiny**