



I WAS BORN IN UKRAINE, BUT ISRAEL IS MY HOME. FROM LEARNING HEBREW TO EXCELLING IN MATH, KFAR SILVER GAVE ME THE TOOLS TO BE THE STAR I ALWAYS ASPIRED TO BE.”



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Student at Kfar Silver Youth Village
Israel

I came to Kfar Silver two years ago at the age of 14, when I made Aliyah on my own from Ukraine. As a child, I knew I was Jewish. Beginning at the age of six, I became very interested in Jewish culture. From that time on, I knew I wanted to make Israel my home.

In some ways, my transition to Kfar Silver was easy, and in some ways, it was challenging. I had gone to a boarding school for a year before moving to Israel, so I learned how to live on my own from that experience. However, one of the most difficult aspects was the language barrier. I did not know Hebrew at all when I started at Kfar Silver.

My friends and teachers here have helped me to adapt to both life and school in Israel. Living in the dormitories gives us a sense of community. We live together, eat together, study together and volunteer together. I love being able to celebrate Jewish holidays here

and every year I look forward to celebrating Pesach with my friends.

Kfar Silver has changed my life. The best part about living and studying here is the diverse student body. I met and became close friends with Ethiopian and Bedouin students, and I would never have gotten the chance to meet people from all different cultures before this experience.

I love learning Math here. I am studying at the highest level of Math and in my class, I really learn to problem solve. My grade in Math is 100%, and my proudest moment so far was when I earned my first perfect score in Math. My Math teacher Ella has made a huge impression on me. She speaks to me like I am her friend. Thanks to Kfar Silver, I am now the star I always aspired to be.

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