



Standing United Together

Friends,

Like many others around the world, ENP too has been following recent events in the United States in the aftermath of the death of George Floyd. The heinous killing of Mr. Floyd revealed in no uncertain terms the necessity of taking action to ensure absolute equality and opportunity for people of color everywhere.

While the deep-rooted and tragic history of slavery in America is a polar opposite to the situation of Ethiopian Jews who succeeded in fulfilling their dream of returning to their promised land as free citizens, there still is much more to be done to ensure their full and successful integration in Israeli society. Like people of color in other parts of the world, Ethiopian-Israelis suffer from over-policing, prejudicial behavior in the workplace and day-to-day life, and lack of access to opportunity. ENP is determined to combat these phenomena, is working tirelessly to address the challenges Ethiopian-Israelis face, and is doing the utmost to prevent the formation of a black underclass in Israel.

In Israel, among ENP's many efforts, ENP increases opportunity through provision of intensive holistic support to teens and parents, instills pride in the identity of youth and community members, and increases awareness about the remarkable Ethiopian Jewish community. ENP is proud of its work and strives to constantly learn how it can make an even greater difference.

ENP stands together with all those suffering from racism and discrimination and pledges to continue to work towards a better, more equal future. As an organization led by the Ethiopian-Israeli community itself that works in an inclusive, bottom-up capacity, hand in hand with the Government of Israel and global philanthropy, ENP will be humbled to serve as a bridge of understanding of successes that can be achieved by working honestly together in a driven way to create real change.

Below you will find updates on ENP's SPACE program with the reopening of schools, the most recent evaluation findings, and ENP's new remote internship pilot.

With deep respect,

Roni Dessie Akale
Director-General, ENP

"I Feel Ready for My Exams!"



In the midst of all COVID-related disruptions, ENP participants are as confident as ever. Shiran, a 12th grader from Afula, has been studying with SPACE throughout the lockdown period in preparation for her final exams. "Our SPACE teacher helped us overcome the distance learning challenges and prepped us in the best possible way for the matriculation exams," she

says. "We solved math problems almost every day. I enjoyed the lessons and now feel ready for the matriculation exams." Rotem, a 10th grader from Ashkelon, feels the same, declaring succinctly: "Had it not been for SPACE, we would never have passed our exams." Especially during this period of uncertainty, ENP remains a steady and reliable source of support for SPACE students.

[Read more about SPACE activities under COVID-19 here](#)

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SPACE

ENP's Impact Stays Strong

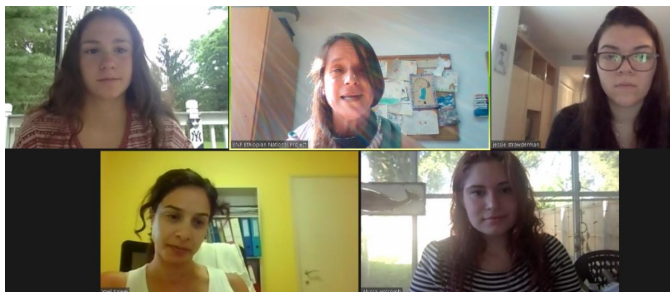
The latest figures are in! A comprehensive evaluation of ENP's SPACE program in 2018 conducted by the Myers-JDC-Brookdale Institute reaffirms SPACE's profound, consistent and long-lasting impact on participants. In 2018, ENP SPACE reached a full 25% of Ethiopian-Israeli 12th graders nationwide. The findings show that SPACE participants reached a 78% matriculation rate, surpassing the national Hebrew-speaking matriculation-awarding school average of 73%! Girls were especially high performing, with 82% of SPACE female participants reaching matriculation in comparison with 72% of girls in the general Jewish population. The evaluation also pointed to several long-term trends, demonstrating the significance of long-term exposure to SPACE. [Read the full article here.](#)



[To view the evaluation report, click here.](#)

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Action from Afar with ENP Remote Internships



This summer, due to the new reality of COVID-19, ENP is offering for the first time the opportunity to make a difference in Israel through a **remote** internship with ENP. Whereas in the past interns would volunteer out of ENP's Jerusalem office or on-site in one of ENP's many field locations, now they can do so from

the comfort of their home, in a variety of innovative ways, utilizing all of the available technological tools. Additionally, once a week, the interns gather to catch up on each other's progress and experience insights provided by ENP by way of a speaker or other activity. The pilot cadre of interns is already underway: ENP is excited to welcome three new US-based interns through JInternship: Jesse Strawderman, Sammi Re, and Alyssa Holcomb. [Read the full article here.](#)

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