

## Alumni and seniors navigate new campus reality

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After Oct. 7, the number of Shalhevet students asking whether they should remove parts of their college applications that disclosed their Jewish identity or Israel connections drastically increased, said Mr. Jordan Moss, Director of College Counseling, in an interview with the Boiling Point.

But seven months later, with anti-Israel encampments occupying colleges across the country, fear about the campuses themselves had overtaken other concerns about what's euphemistically known by students as "the

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**ADJUSTMENT:** Alumni at UCLA, Columbia, USC, Michigan and UChicago said they'd changed walking routes, attended class online and increased their Jewish involvement, while current seniors changed how they decided where to apply.

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## After three-week trial period, students vote 2-1 to continue no phones at Town Hall

BY MARTZI HIRSCH, COMMUNITY EDITOR, AND JOSHUA GAMSON, CO-EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

By a vote of 91 to 52, the Just Community voted in favor of removing their phones and leaving them aside for Town Hall henceforth after April 9.

The result, which took effect immediately and will continue into next year, was

the culmination of a process that began in February, when the Agenda Committee filed a complaint with the Fairness Committee about phone use during Town Hall.

Fairness held an all-school hearing at Town Hall Feb. 27, after which it recommended a three-week phone-free trial, which Agenda and faculty implemented after receiving approval from Head of School Rabbi

David Block.

A schoolwide vote was held at the end of the trial period, on April 9. Agenda Chair Rami Melmed announced the result on Schoology April 10.

"The results are in – by a vote of 91-52 (63.6%), the Phone Policy has passed. From

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## Admin censors BP story on LA Muslim teens' view of war

BY BOILING POINT STAFF

Sophomore Sophie Katz, the Boiling Point's Outside News Editor, searched for three months for Muslim teenagers in Los Angeles to interview for a story about their experiences and feelings during the current conflict in Israel and Gaza.

She found two, one who supported both sides and the other who strongly opposed Israel. Sophie also interviewed the director of a youth cohort at an organization that brings Jewish and Muslim teenagers together to have conversations, and a current Shalhevet senior who participated in that same cohort a few years back.

One of the Muslim teenagers said Israel was committing genocide and that she did not believe Hamas had committed atrocities.

The Boiling Point published Sophie's article on its website on April 4, and its Instagram April 11. Reactions to the Instagram included accusations that Shalhevet was giving pro-Palestinians a platform for misinformation and hate, and Head of School Rabbi David Block told faculty advisor Mrs. Joelle Keene to take down the story from all Boiling Point postings later that day.

It was the first time the administration had ordered

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## 46% of students come to school with no plan for lunch

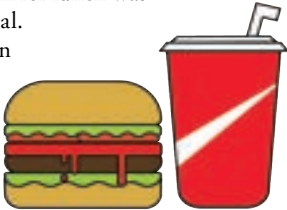
BY MIRA SCHULMAN, FEATURES EDITOR

A sizable proportion of Shalhevet students arrive at school without a plan for lunch some days, and nearly a quarter do so at least twice a week, according to a new Boiling Point poll.

In a March survey conducted via Google Forms, 46.3% of respondents said that they didn't eat lunch every day. Of that number, 24.3% skip lunch two

to four times a week, and 9.8% said that their most frequent option for lunch was eating from a friend's meal.

Most cited their own laziness as their reason for not bringing a lunch from home, and price as the reason for not purchasing a school lunch. Others



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said that they didn't eat lunch because homework and meetings with teachers didn't leave enough time.

"I am way too lazy to make lunch, and not wealthy enough to pay for school lunch," sophomore

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