

From the Head of School ~ Dr. David Portnoy

Dear Yavneh Family,

Yavneh. Alumni. Basketball. Thanksgiving. Hanukkah.

It was incredible seeing so many of our alumni on campus this past week! From the nail-biting basketball games to the endless catching-up conversations, we have so much to be proud of and thankful for here at Yavneh. Extra special thanks to our Board President, Jay Kleinman, for setting up a donor challenge match for our graduates, and to Grace Rosenthal, Class of 2008, for marshaling our outstanding Alumni volunteers for the Annual Fund. Please join our more than 400 alumni by [clicking here](#) to donate to our Annual Fund before the end of the year.



I write to you this week from Baltimore, where our boys and girls varsity basketball teams are participating in a national Jewish high school invitational tournament and Shabbaton at Beth Tfiloh Dahan Community School and Congregation. Our student-athletes represent Dallas with such integrity and enthusiasm, engaging in Torah study, community service and athletic competition with teams from throughout North America and Israel. I am bursting with Bulldog Pride!

Don't forget that Sunday marks the first night of Hanukkah this year. While we will be celebrating all week on campus, you might enjoy [this video](#) to lift your spirits in preparation for this joyful celebration.

Parents, don't forget that our focus on campus for the next few weeks is study and exam preparation. Please do all that you can to support and encourage your teenagers' success in this all-important academic endeavor. If you need any help, please contact us at the school.

Shabbat Shalom
and Go Bulldogs!

Dr. P

