



Bio of Mira Ginsberg

Mira is a passionate high school senior at Shaker High School, dedicated to promoting inclusion and leadership within her community. As a leader in the Special Olympics, she founded Include the Blue, an inclusion club at her school that fosters awareness and acceptance for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Mira actively participates in Unified sports, including bowling and basketball, where she builds meaningful connections and advocates unified opportunities. Additionally, Mira serves as the President of the Capital District Regional Youth Activation Committee, a youth leadership group for Special Olympics, where she amplifies youth voices in promoting inclusion and advocacy. She previously interned with the New York Alliance for Inclusion and Innovation, furthering her commitment to creating inclusive communities.

In addition, Mira attends Mifgash Hebrew High School at the Albany JCC, where she serves as President of the student board. She also co-founded Capital Region BBYO, creating a space for Jewish teens to engage in leadership and community service. Mira's connection to the JCC began as an infant in the Early Childhood Center, where she stayed through pre-K, then moving on to Camp Taf and Camp Olam. Mira is now the Gan (pre-K) Director at Camp Givah.

Mira's dedication extends well beyond her academic and extracurricular activities through her involvement in the Polar Plunge fundraiser, where she has earned awards for being the highest fundraiser in recognition of her outstanding efforts to support the Special Olympics.

After high school, Mira will be taking a gap year in Israel before starting college, where she plans to double major in Public Policy and American Sign Language with a minor in Judaic studies, though she is currently undecided on where she will attend. Mira is the daughter of Jane and Lev, and sister of Max, who was awarded the Applebaum award in 2023.