

Shelly & Steven Talmud



Shelly and Steve Talmud have been part of the Solomon Schechter Day School of Raritan Valley family for the past fifteen years. Their eldest boys, Adam and Jesse, are proud graduates of SSDSRV and their daughter, Mikayla, is currently thriving in our fourth grade. They are members of Congregation B'nai Tikvah in North Brunswick.

Steve has served on the SSDSRV Board for six years, with four of those years as a member of the Executive Committee, where he currently serves as First Executive Vice President. During his tenure he has participated in the Budget and Finance, Education, Strategic Planning, and Tuition Assistance Committees. He ran our Shomrei Torah fundraising effort in 2005 and participated in an outreach program to attract families from the Young Israel of East Brunswick to SSDS. He played a key role on our Search Committee, which led to the hiring of Drs. Rosenblatt and Charton.

The make-up of our current Board and Executive Committee are the result of Steve's four years of work on the Nominating Committee. Our Board members act as ambassadors for the school to the community at large. His efforts and the efforts of his team have resulted in a determined, professional group that works well together and makes decisions with the school's best interest at heart.

Steve is VP of Sales for CVISION Technologies and has an MBA in Industrial Marketing from CUNY - Baruch College. Shelly spent two of her college years in Israel at Hebrew University and at Haifa University and graduated from Brooklyn College with a degree in Special Education. After a few years in the New York City Public School system, she worked for various corporate organizations in Manhattan. Shelly is now happy to be a stay-at-home Mom and is very busy raising her children and being actively involved in SSDSRV.

Shelly's volunteer work at SSDS began as soon as their first child entered the school and she quickly became a familiar face at SSDS. She tirelessly volunteered for many projects including serving lunch, helping with book fairs, working on the parent liaison committee, and running the Friday challah program. She eventually became PTA co-President, a position she held for three years. She was also a member of the Synagogue Outreach Committee which promoted SSDS to the community and local Rabbis. This summer, Shelly helped launch REJOICE 2008, the first annual Jewish culture and music festival in Middlesex County. She is a proud lifetime member of Hadassah and is currently chairing a Hadassah fundraising project.

Shelly and Steve met in Brooklyn at Yeshiva of Flatbush High School (where she sat in front of him in Jewish History class). Their superior experience at Flatbush instilled in them a passion for Jewish education. Their eldest son, Adam, recently graduated SSDS of Essex and Union high school (SSDSEU), and is presently on the USY Nativ freshman year in Israel program. He will be attending Binghamton University in the fall. Their other son, Jesse, is a sophomore at SSDSEU. Adam and Jesse have already begun to follow in their parents' footsteps by holding leadership positions in USY.