

By the Grace of G-d
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Greeting and Blessing:

This is in reply to your letter of the 7th of Kislev.

My opinion in the matter is well known. Regardless of the career a young man plans to prepare for, it is an absolute "must," especially in this day and age of upheaval and confusion, to attend at least one or two years at a Yeshiva permeated with Yiddishkeit, to dedicate himself to the study of Torah and Torah-related subjects, on an all-day basis. All the more so for anyone who has had no opportunity for a full-time Yeshiva education.

Regrettably, even the best Hebrew Day Schools do not offer such a program in such a conducive environment, for the student must ~~dévo~~ devote his attention between Torah studies and secular studies, often to the disadvantage of the former.

As a result, the young man, or young lady, upon graduation from Yeshiva High School, does not get the fullest immunization against the influences of the environment, which is so vital in the present day, as mentioned before. It is all the more vital when the young person plans to go to college, in view of the atmosphere prevailing there nowadays.

I am confident that all Jewish parents, and yours especially, desire that their children should develop as whole and wholesome individuals, at peace with themselves and with the world around them, and not troubled by split personality complexes, etc.

Since, psychologically, parents are not receptive to being instructed by their children, it would be much better and more effective to have some mutual friends talk to the parents to convince them how much it is in the best interests of their son, or daughter, to encourage him or her to take out a year or two for a complete Torah program, as above, that would serve as a firm foundation for their whole future life.

Needless to say, you may show this letter to anyone whom you think appropriate.

With blessing,