

CANDIDATE FOR THE NASSAU SUFFOLK REGION'S 64TH SADRANIT CARLY HERSCH

Vision Statement

If I am given the opportunity to serve on the 64th regional board, I hope to restore a sense of belonging, sisterhood, and family. Conventions are the most important regional events, but they only happen twice a year. I want to make these two weekends so memorable that three days will be sufficient to deepen the incredible ties that only BBYO can foster. I want to keep the convention rituals, memories, and friendships alive so that every BBG and AZA can feel a bond to BBYO through convention. I plan to surpass the previous number of attendees and ensure a sense of security along with inclusivity at convention. Another goal is to get as many people as possible steering. As someone who has steered on multiple conventions, I can attest to the fact that it is a fantastic way for participants to get more engaged, learn new skills, make friends, and gain confidence. Having people from each chapter steering will not only provide new opportunities for members, but it will also strengthen our regional connection. Finally, I will collaborate closely with regional staff, the regional board, and the steering committee to plan the best convention yet.

Tell us about yourself. Why are you running for this position? What makes you a strong leader? What will you contribute to NSR's success next term?

At my first BBYO convention in 2018, I saw for the first time what true leaders looked like. Every regional board member spoke flawlessly and effortlessly in front of everyone, and I told my friend that I wanted to be like that as a senior. As my love towards convention, and BBYO as a whole, continued to expand, I realized that Sadranit would be perfect for me. My spirit and outgoingness have truly made me who I am today, and I believe I only have BBYO to thank. I need to be able to inspire others at conventions, just like those regional board members did to me. Serving as Aym Ha Chaverot on my chapter's board this year, I was able to be a positive role model for the new members. I was always there when they had a question, and I would even text with their parents if they had questions as well. How I responded to these texts could have influenced their BBYO experience, and I needed to be a role model for them at all times. If elected to the 64th regional board, I will dedicate the majority of my time to making sure that all of my responsibilities are met on a daily basis. In my last three years of BBYO, I have successfully managed my time between steering, being on board, and RLN. My organizational and management skills will allow me to perform to my full potential, and I will continue to prioritize BBYO over my other commitments. I will go out of my way to go above and beyond on my own time when it comes to planning conventions and other programs.