

Dear YCQ Family,

It is with great pleasure that we announce that Dr. Emily Amie Witty, Ed.D., will join our faculty as ELA Curriculum Coordinator, Grades K – 8, effective August 1, 2022. She will assist with the implementation of our overall ELA program for Grades K – 8.

Dr. Witty is returning to YCQ after working in our school as an experienced and prolific ELA Educational Consultant. Her new responsibilities will include supporting teachers to deepen their practice in areas such as student engagement, small group instruction, differentiated instruction, and using formative assessment to drive instruction. She will collaborate with Administrators to adapt the ELA curriculum to meet our students' needs, and gather, organize, and analyze student data.

Her achievements are vast and include more than two decades of elementary classroom teaching, educational, programmatic, and curricular development experience in Jewish day schools. Dr. Witty's career has included positions as Clinical Assistant Professor of Education, Adjunct Professor of Language and Literacy, and Adjunct Professor of Introduction to Elementary Education at Yeshiva University, Literacy Coach at Catapult Learning, Director of Instructional Improvement at The Jewish Education Project, and Director of Manhattan Educational Resource Center.

"We are so excited that we will have the opportunity to learn from one of the community's most respected educational leaders," reports Mrs. Melissa Cohen, YCQ's newly appointed Associate Principal General Studies K – 8. "Dr. Witty will bring her expertise in literacy instruction, along with her energetic and enthusiastic personality, to help make our already incredible general studies program even more exceptional."

"I am delighted to be returning to YCQ in a full-time capacity after working with the dedicated and experienced staff as a literacy consultant for several years," stated Dr. Witty. "I am confident that with YCQ's strong leadership, devoted teachers, and involved parent body, the upcoming school year will be a great success."