

# PERSONAL INFORMATION Ben Yair Sofia









### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

2021-today Head of Early Childhood Studies Kaye Academic College of Education, Israel Lecturer in Mathematics Education Courses and remedial mathematical teaching for 2015-today Elementary School & Special Education Programs Kaye Academic College of Education, Israel 2015-today Pedagogical Instructor in Early Childhood Training Department Kaye Academic College of Education, Israel Supervisor in Privates Daycare Centers 2015-2021 The Ministry of Education, Israel The Main Coordinator of Teaching Hebrew Program in Kindergartens among Arab Public 2015-2020 The Ministry of Education, Israel 2014-2020 Lecturer Continuing in Math Education Program Kindergarten Teachers Bar Ilan University, Israel || The Ministry of Education, Israel 2013-2014 Instructor of Mathematics for Kindergarten Teachers, in kindergartens The Ministry of Education, Israel 2007-2014 Preschool Manager and Kindergarten Teacher. Leader of a Mathematical Experimental Kindergarten The Ministry of Education, Israel 2004-2007 Math Teaching in Elementary School, a unique project to promote Ethiopian Origin Students in Mathematics Kaye Academic College of Education, Israel 1990-2001 Bank employee 1987-1989 Military Service. IDF soldiers

### **EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

| 2020-2023 | University of Babes-Bolyai, Cluj-Napoca, Romania                     |
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|           | Doctorate Student  |
| 2005-2007 | Ben-Gurion University, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences,    |
|           | Department of Graduate Program for Science and Technology Education, |
|           | Israel   |
|           | Master of Arts Degree, Thesis for Master's Degree                    |
| 2001-2005 | Kaye Academic College of Education, Israel                           |
| 200: 2000 | Bachelor of Education and Teaching License for Preschool, First and  |
|           | second grade, Mathematics specialization. Graduated with Honors      |
| 2020-2021 | The Ministry of Education, Israel                                    |
| 2020 2021 | Early Childhood Mathematics Expertise Training                       |

Israel Defense Forces



### PERSONAL SKILLS

### Mother tongue(s)

#### Russian

# Other language(s)

| UNDERS   | TANDING | SPEAKING           |                   | WRITING |  |  |  |
|--|---------|--------------------|-------------------|---------|--|--|--|
| Listening  | Reading | Spoken interaction | Spoken production |         |  |  |  |
| C2   | C2      | C2                 | C2                | C2      |  |  |  |
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| C1   | C1      | C1                 | C1                | C1      |  |  |  |
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English

Hebrew

#### Communication skills

- Very good communication skills, gained through my experience as Manager of a team of pedagogical instructors and a pedagogical instructor of students. Listening, empathy, and patience are required.
- Ability to support other's needs, gained through my experience as Kindergarten Manager.
   Skills required with kindergarten children and their parents.
- Very good Ability to work in a team. I am a partner in diverse teams in Academic college.

### Organisational / managerial skills

- Good managerial skills. Head of Early Childhood Studies in Academic College of Education (managing a team of 10 Pedagogical college instructors).
- Leading and developing innovative educational processes (currently responsible for a team
  of 10 people). Previously, leader of a mathematical experimental kindergarten (for a team of
  5 people).
- Very good organizational skills. Coordination of an Early Childhood Bachelor's Degree curriculum, working relationships with lecturers, kindergarten teachers, and the Ministry of Education supervisors (over 20 people).

# Job-related skills

- Planning and organizing conferences and seminars for students in the Early Childhood program.
- Entrepreneur and developer of innovative tools for implementation in teaching at the Academic College of Education.

### Digital skills

| SELF-ASSESSMENT        |                 |                  |                 |                 |  |  |  |
|------------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--|--|--|
| Information processing | Communication   | Content creation | Safety          | Problem solving |  |  |  |
| Proficient user        | Proficient user | Proficient user  | Proficient user | Proficient user |  |  |  |

- Very good command of office suite (word processor, spread sheet, presentation software).
- Very good command of remote teaching Processes.

### Other skills

- Ability to plan conferences and seminars.
- Ability of Public speaking.

## Driving licence

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### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### **Publications**

- Ben Yair, S., & Chiş, O. (2023). Can I Teach? Assimilation of Early Childhood Arithmetic Concepts Among Preschool Paraeducators. In I. Albulescu, & C. Stan (Eds.), Education, Reflection, Development ERD 2022, vol 6. European Proceedings of Educational Sciences (pp. 190-202). European Publisher. <a href="https://doi.org/10.15405/epes.23056.18">https://doi.org/10.15405/epes.23056.18</a>
- Ben Yair, S., & Chiş, O. (2022). Who Will Teach Me Math? Promoting Kindergarten Mathematics by Preschool Para Educators. In I. Albulescu, & C. Stan (Eds.), Education, Reflection, Development ERD 2021, vol 2. European Proceedings of Educational Sciences (pp. 576-584). European Publisher. https://doi.org/10.15405/epes.22032.58
- Salfati, Y., Cohen, H., & Ben-Yair, S. (2022). Pedagogical Partnership: A Mindfulness Perspective. *Journal of International Scientific Publications* www.scientific-publications.net
- Cohen, H., Salfati, Y., & Ben-Yair, S. (2022). Mindfulness in Education. Lexi-Kaye, 17.

#### Conferences

- Ben Yair, S. (2022). Can I teach? I can teach! Assimilation of Early Childhood Arithmetic Concepts among Preschool Para-Educators. 10th International Conference Education, Reflection, Development. June 24, 2022. Cluj-Napoca, Romania.
- Ben Yair, S. (2022). Learning-Teaching of an Adapted Mathematics. Diverse and Inclusion Conference. March 30, 2022. Kaye Academic College of Education, Israel.
- Ben Yair, S. (2022). Teaching Adapted Arithmetic. Diverse, Justification, and Inclusion Conference. December 7, 2022. Kaye Academic College of Education, Israel.
- Samar Aldinah, Sofia Ben Yair, Teresa Lewin, Barbara Shapir, Dina Ben Yaish, Amal Abu Saad, Lama Mashal & Dina Shchada (May 2022). Let's Talk! Promoting optimal dialogue between kindergarten teachers and children via remote learning: training processes during COVID-19. Sderot conference for society and education Kaye Academic Collage.
- Ben Yair, S. (2021). Who will teach me math? Promoting mathematics teaching in kindergarten through of training the preschool paraeducators. The 9th International Conference of Education, Reflection, Development, June 25, 2021. Cluj-Napoca, Romania.
- Ben Yair, S. (2021). Teachers' Knowledge in Developmentally Appropriate Practice of Mathematics. Calculations and Senses: in the focus of mathematical literacy and sensory accessibility Conference. December 6, 2021. Kaye Academic College of Education, Israel.
- Barbara Shapir, Samar Aldinah, Teresa Lewin, Sofi Ben-Yair, Dina Ben Yaish, Amal Abu Saad, Lama Mashal & Dina Shchada (December 2021). Teacher Education in Social, Cultural and Environmental Contexts. International Virtual Conference: The Third Mission: Teacher Education in Social, Cultural and Environmental Contexts. The Mofet Institute.

### **ANNEXES**

- copies of degrees
- publications