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Table A1: Summary Statistics of Teachers' Characteristics
Number of Identified Teachers ..... 78
Number of Identified Teachers Instructing only Math ..... 13
Number of Identified Teachers Instructing only Hebrew ..... 29
Number of Identified Teachers Instructing both Hebrew and Math ..... 36
Proportion of Teachers Older than 50 years old ..... 0.257(0.439)
Proportion of Teachers from Europe-North America origin ..... 0.471
Proportion of Married Teachers ..... 0.681(0.468)
Proportion of Single Teachers ..... 0.115(0.320)
Mean Number of Teachers' Offspring ..... 2.354
Proportion of Daughters among Teachers' Offspring ..... 0.501(0.329)
At Least one Daughter among Teachers' Offspring ..... 0.834

Notes: Identified teachers are teachers who are home class teachers and teach at least one of the relevant subjects: math, Hebrew or English. Standard deviations are reported in parentheses.

Table A2: Estimated Gender Biases by Subject at Student Level

|  | Total |  | Hebrew |  | Math |  | English |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | OLS <br> (1) | Student Fixed Effect <br> (2) | OLS <br> (3) | Student Fixed Effect (4) | OLS <br> (5) | Student Fixed Effect (6) | OLS <br> (7) | Student Fixed Effect (8) |
| Male | $\begin{aligned} & -0.145 \\ & (0.029) \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & -0.288 \\ & (0.034) \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & -0.018 \\ & (0.037) \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & -0.125 \\ & (0.041) \end{aligned}$ |  |
| Non-blind score | $\begin{gathered} 0.004 \\ (0.048) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 0.017 \\ (0.049) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 0.006 \\ (0.050) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 0.029 \\ (0.073) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} -0.024 \\ (0.046) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -0.011 \\ & (0.067) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 0.035 \\ (0.056) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 0.064 \\ (0.078) \end{gathered}$ |
| Male x (non-blind score) | $\begin{gathered} 0.007 \\ (0.031) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 0.010 \\ (0.033) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 0.005 \\ (0.042) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 0.009 \\ (0.059) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 0.064 \\ (0.039) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 0.076 \\ (0.053) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -0.051 \\ & (0.046) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -0.054 \\ & (0.062) \end{aligned}$ |
| Number of Students | 16428 | 17395 | 5479 | 5806 | 5488 | 5812 | 5461 | 5777 |

Notes: Dependent variables are standardized scores. The number of observations is twice the number of exam takers, since the datasets are stacked. The OLS regressions includes in addition to the dependent variables presented in the table also pupil's characteristics (gender, parental education, number of siblings, and dummies for four ethnicity groups), year and subject dummies and class fixed effects. The Student Fixed Effect regression includes in addition to the dependent variables presented in the table also year and subject dummies and student fixed effects. Standard errors are corrected for class level clustering and are presented in parentheses.

Table A3: Distribution of Students across Matriculation Exams' Units of Study

|  |  | Boy |  |  |  | Girl |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) | (8) |
| Total | Mean of Total Number of Units <br> Percentage of Students awarded a Matriculation Diploma | $\begin{gathered} 22 \\ 62.6 \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} 22.8 \\ 73.6 \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  |
| Hebrew | Number of Units <br> Percentage of Students | $\begin{gathered} 2 \\ 86.9 \end{gathered}$ |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Total } \\ & 86.9 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2 \\ 91.1 \end{gathered}$ |  |  | Total 91.1 |
| Math | Number of Units <br> Percentage of Students | 3 34.1 | $\begin{gathered} 4 \\ 25.7 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 5 \\ 21.1 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Total } \\ & 80.9 \end{aligned}$ | 3 40.5 | $\begin{gathered} 4 \\ 29.7 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 5 \\ 14.1 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Total } \\ & 84.3 \end{aligned}$ |
| English | Number of Units <br> Percentage of Students | $\begin{gathered} 3 \\ 10.4 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 4 \\ 17.3 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 5 \\ 60.5 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Total } \\ & 88.2 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 3 \\ 11.7 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 4 \\ 21.4 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 5 \\ 58.2 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Total } \\ & 91.3 \end{aligned}$ |
| Physics | Number of Units <br> Percentage of Students | 1 6.0 | 3 0.5 | 5 15.1 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Total } \\ & 21.6 \end{aligned}$ | 1 0.0 | 3 3.3 | 5 4.8 | $\begin{gathered} \text { Total } \\ 8.1 \end{gathered}$ |
| Computer Science | Number of Units <br> Percentage of Students | $\begin{gathered} 1 \\ 0.6 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 3 \\ 1.1 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 5 \\ 11.3 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Total } \\ & 13.0 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1 \\ 0.4 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 3 \\ 0.9 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 5 \\ 3.2 \end{gathered}$ | Total <br> 4.5 |

Notes: Percentage of students refers to the percentage of students who successfully completed each level of matriculation proficiency. The mean of total number of units (first row) is the mean of the total number of successfully completed matriculation exams' units.

Table A4: Estimated Direct-Subject Effect and Cross-Subject Effect of Teachers' Biases on 8th Grade Test Scores in Math, English, and Hebrew, from Separate Regressions

|  | Boy |  | Girl |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Direct-Subject Effect <br> (1) | Cross-Subject Effect <br> (2) | Direct-Subject Effect <br> (3) | CrossSubject Effect <br> (4) |
| OLS | 0.130 | 0.140 | 0.027 | -0.008 |
|  | 0.099 | 0.150 | 0.117 | 0.174 |
| 6th Grade School Fixed Effects | 0.112 | 0.097 | -0.049 | -0.242 |
|  | (0.057) | (0.087) | (0.083) | (0.100) |
| 6th Grade School Fixed Effects and Student Characteristics | 0.107 | 0.122 | -0.058 | -0.235 |
|  | (0.058) | (0.087) | (0.081) | (0.094) |
| Number of Students | 1420 | 1317 | 1420 | 1317 |

Notes: See table 4. The estimates in each row in columns 1-4 are each from separate regressions. Standard errors are clustered by class and are reported in parentheses.

Table A5: Estimated Effect of Teachers' Biases on Students' Probability of Receiving a Matriculation Diploma and Students' Probability of Successfully Completing Advanced Level Courses in High School, from Logistic Regressions

|  |  | Boy |  | Girl |  | BoyAverage-SubjectEffect$(5)$ | Girl <br> Average- <br> Subject <br> Effect <br> $(6)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Direct- <br> Subject Effect <br> (1) | Cross- <br> Subject Effect <br> (2) | Direct- <br> Subject Effect <br> (3) | CrossSubject Effect <br> (4) |  |  |
| Probability of Receiving a Matriculation Diploma | Log of Odds Ratio | 0.233 | 0.268 | -0.317 | -0.372 | 0.510 | -0.697 |
|  |  | (0.164) | (0.273) | (0.213) | (0.297) | (0.289) | (0.344) |
|  | Marginal Effect at the Mean | 0.051 | 0.059 | -0.077 | -0.090 | 0.110 | -0.170 |
| English (dummy=1 if \# units $=5 \mid 4$ ) | Log of Odds Ratio | 0.185 | 0.166 | -0.114 | -0.390 | 0.366 | -0.497 |
|  |  | (0.132) | (0.220) | (0.195) | (0.285) | (0.249) | (0.280) |
|  | Marginal Effect at the Mean | 0.042 | 0.038 | -0.028 | -0.095 | 0.080 | -0.120 |
| Math (dummy=1 if \# units $=5 \mid 4$ ) | Log of Odds Ratio | 0.535 | 0.131 | -0.324 | -0.033 | 0.669 | -0.373 |
|  |  | (0.244) | (0.284) | (0.211) | (0.284) | (0.320) | (0.278) |
|  | Marginal Effect at the Mean | 0.118 | 0.027 | -0.024 | -0.003 | 0.147 | -0.028 |
| Physics/Computer Science (dummy=1 if units=5) | Log of Odds Ratio | 0.136 | 0.040 | 0.402 | -0.080 | 0.181 | 0.363 |
|  |  | (0.313) | (0.404) | (0.461) | (0.586) | (0.329) | (0.499) |
|  | Marginal Effect at the Mean | 0.026 | 0.007 | 0.020 | -0.003 | 0.035 | 0.017 |

[^0]Table A6: Estimated Long Terms Effects of High School Educational Outcomes of Students

|  | Means of the <br> Dependent <br> Variable |  | Enrolment to Post-Secondary Education |  |  |  |  |  | Years of Post-Secondary Education |  |  |  |  |  | Annual <br> Wages |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | $\begin{array}{r} \text { A } \\ \text { Instit } \end{array}$ | y <br> ution | Uni | rsity |  |  | $\begin{array}{r} \text { A } \\ \text { Insti } \end{array}$ | y <br> ution | Univ | rsity |  | ege |  |  |
|  | Boy | Girl | Boy | Girl | Boy | Girl | Boy | Girl | Boy | Girl | Boy | Girl | Boy | Girl | Boy | Girl |
|  |  |  | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) | (8) | (9) | (10) | (11) | (12) |  | (7) |
| Means of the |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dependent |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Variables |  |  | 0.61 | 0.64 | 0.28 | 0.30 | 0.28 | 0.28 | 2.10 | 2.39 | 1.01 | 1.16 | 0.80 | 0.82 | 76214 | 63323 |
| Total | 22.8 | 22.8 | 0.027 | 0.027 | 0.018 | 0.020 | 0.009 | 0.007 | 0.109 | 0.126 | 0.073 | 0.087 | 0.028 | 0.025 | 1082 | 1476 |
| Number of |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Completed |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Matriculation |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Exams' Units |  |  | (0.001) | (0.001) | (0.001) | (0.001) | (0.001) | (0.001) | (0.003) | (0.004) | (0.003) | (0.004) | (0.002) | (0.002) | (145) | (105) |
| Total | 0.68 | 0.61 | 0.214 | 0.200 | 0.253 | 0.247 | 0.003 | 0.017 | 1.085 | 1.173 | 1.082 | 1.148 | 0.045 | 0.100 | 7729 | 12275 |
| Number of |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Completed |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Units in |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Science |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oriented |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Subjects |  |  | (0.008) | (0.007) | (0.008) | (0.008) | (0.009) | (0.008) | (0.037) | (0.037) | (0.004) | (0.038) | (0.029) | (0.028) | (1641) | (1104) |
| Probability of Receiving | 0.69 | 0.73 | 0.457 | 0.479 | 0.273 | 0.278 | 0.220 | 0.228 | 1.886 | 2.067 | 1.051 | 1.092 | 0.708 | 0.745 | 11232 | 19589 |
| a |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Matriculation |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Diploma |  |  | (0.016) | (0.015) | (0.011) | (0.011) | (0.014) | (0.013) | (0.056) | (0.057) | (0.043) | (0.044) | (0.043) | (0.039) | (2335) | (1460) |
| Number of |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Students | 4182 | 4866 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| completed units in science oriented subjects and the probability of receiving a matriculation diploma) on the enrollment to post-secondary education, number of years of postsecondary education, and annual wages 10 years after the end of high school. The sample includes the students in Tel-Aviv, between the years 2000-2001. Each row presents the effect from separate OLS regressions for each dependent variable. All regressions include year fixed effects as controls. Robust Standard errors are reported in parentheses. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Table A7: Estimated Effect of Teachers' Biases on Test Scores in Math, English, and Hebrew, Controlling for Several Classroom's Characteristics

|  | Boy |  | Girl |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Average-Subject Effect |  |
| Average-Subject Effect |  |  |  |
| (1) |  |  |  |

## A. 8th Grade GEMS Test Scores

| Proportion of Boys | 0.226 | -0.263 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
|  | $(0.112)$ | $(0.118)$ |
| Difference Between Boys' Grades and <br> Girls' Grades in Class | 0.274 | -0.337 |
| Difference Between Boys' Violent <br> Behavior and Girls' Violent Behavior in <br> Class | $(0.117)$ | $(0.135)$ |
| Number of Students | 0.230 | -0.387 |
|  | $(0.160)$ | $(0.131)$ |

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| Proportion of Boys | 0.248 | -0.137 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
|  | 0.248 | -0.137 |
| Difference Between Boys' Grades and | $(0.083)$ | $(0.089)$ |
| Girls' Grades in Class | 0.209 | -0.132 |
|  | $(0.077)$ | $(0.075)$ |

Number of Students 38834033
Notes: See Table 4. Each regression includes students' characteristics, primary school, year and subject fixed effect. The first regression includes as a control the proportion of boys in primary school class; the second regression includes as a control the differences between boys' grade to girls' grades in 5th grade national exams; and in the last row of Panel A, the difference between boys' and girls' violent behaviors in class is added as a control. Standard errors are clustered by class and are reported in parentheses.

Table A8: Correlations between Biases of Teachers by Subjects of Instruction

|  | Overall |  | Within School |  | Same Teachers | Different <br> Teachers |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Teachers' Biases in Hebrew | Teachers' Biases in Math | Teachers' Biases in Hebrew | Teachers' Biases in Math | Teachers' Biases in Hebrew | Teachers' Biases in Hebrew |
|  | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) |
| Teachers' Biases in Math | 0.508 |  | 0.315 |  | 0.654 | 0.140 |
| Teachers' Biases in English | 0.287 | 0.311 | 0.077 | 0.180 |  |  |
| Number of Observations | 112 |  | 112 |  | 36 | 42 |

Notes: The correlations in each row in columns 1-2 are the correlations between teachers' biases measures across subjects from the overall sample; The correlations in each row in columns 3-4 are similar to those in columns 1-2, but the school means of teachers' biases in each subject are netted out; The correlation in column 5 is between biases measures of the same teachers who instruct students from the same class both math and Hebrew; and the correlation in column 6 is between biases measures of different teachers who instruct students from the same class both math and Hebrew.

Table A9: Estimated Effect of Teachers' Attitude Towards Low Achievers on 8th Grade GEMS Test Scores in Math, English, and Hebrew

|  | Low Preforming Students |  | High Preforming Students |  | Low Preforming Students | High Preforming Students |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | DirectSubject Effect <br> (1) | CrossSubject Effect <br> (2) | Direct- <br> Subject Effect <br> (3) | CrossSubject Effect <br> (4) | AverageSubject Effect <br> (5) | AverageSubject Effect <br> (6) |
| OLS | -0.111 | -0.144 | -0.024 | 0.022 | -0.257 | -0.001 |
|  | 0.063 | 0.125 | 0.043 | 0.059 | 0.149 | 0.088 |
| 6th Grade School Fixed Effects | -0.017 | 0.089 | -0.052 | 0.045 | 0.071 | -0.006 |
|  | 0.061 | 0.101 | 0.038 | 0.054 | 0.125 | 0.075 |
| 6th Grade School Fixed Effects and Student Characteristics | -0.014 | 0.054 | -0.056 | 0.035 | 0.039 | -0.019 |
|  | 0.065 | 0.109 | 0.039 | 0.057 | 0.138 | 0.082 |
| Number of Students | 909 | 909 | 1415 | 1415 | 909 | 1415 |

Notes: See Table 4. The test scores in all three subjects (math, English, and Hebrew) are pooled together. These test scores are standardized scores, by year and subject. High preforming students in class equal one if the student average 5th grade GEMS test score in math, Hebrew and English is higher or equal to zero and zero otherwise. Lower preforming students in class are defined in the opposite way. The measure of teachers' attitude towards low achievers is defined at the class level by the difference between low preforming students' and high preforming students' average gap between the school score (non-blind) and the national score (blind). Standard errors are clustered by class and are reported in parentheses.

Table A10: Estimated Average-Subject Effect of Teachers' Biases on Matriculation Exam Scores, by Sub-Groups

|  | Boy | Girl |  | Boy | Girl |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $(1)$ | $(2)$ |  | $(3)$ | $(4)$ |


|  | Low Parental Education | High Parental Education |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mother's Education Level | 0.206 | -0.348 | 0.216 | 0.053 |
|  | $(0.123)$ | $(0.120)$ | $(0.094)$ | $(0.114)$ |
| Number of Students | 1943 | 2064 | 1761 | 1718 |
|  | Low Parental Education Gap | High Parental Education Gap |  |  |
| Parental Education Gap <br> (Father's Education Less <br> Mothers' Education) | 0.153 | -0.369 | 0.211 | -0.138 |
|  | $(0.188)$ | $(0.172)$ | $(0.084)$ | $(0.100)$ |
| Number of Students | 1140 | 1112 | 2564 | 2670 |

Notes: See Table 8. The Table presents the estimated average-subject effect of teachers' biases on matriculation test scores. Standard errors are clustered by class and are reported in parentheses.


[^0]:    Notes: See Table 4 and Table 6. Each row presents log of odds ratios and the marginal effects at the means (in italic) from separate logistic regressions. The dependent variables are discrete and equal one if the student received a matriculation diploma (first row) or if the number of matriculation credit units' exceeds a certain level (other rows). Each regression includes students' characteristics, elementary school and year fixed effect. The estimates in each row in columns 1-2 are each from a joint regression and so are the estimates in columns 3-4. The estimates in each row in columns 5-6 are each from separate regressions. Standard errors are clustered by class and are reported in parentheses.

