



Joel Rojek (General Studies, Upper School)

“One of the most amazing parts of teaching high schoolers is that you get to see people ‘turn more into themselves.’ I believe that you get to choose your own views about world around you and at your life. If we all want to make the world a better place, then we can. I urge students to “think: ‘how could things be better, and how could I be a part of that?’”



Mr. Rojek has taught at AJA for 15 years, and has enjoyed working with high school students to develop their reading, writing, and critical thinking skills. He believes students learn best by directly engaging with material, by actively practicing skills, and by demonstrating mastery in a variety of ways. As the Instructional Leader for Upper School General Studies, Mr. Rojek helps guide all Upper School students and teachers to accomplish their goals. An Athens, GA born first generation Southerner, he attended UGA for undergraduate studies and received his MFA at the University of Montana, pursuing a creative writing degree in fiction. After finishing his graduate program, he shifted his search to private schools which brought him to Yeshiva Atlanta.

He lives in Atlanta with his wife and their two daughters, Clara and Brynn.