

2018-19 IMPACT REPORT



Extraordinary Education, Timeless Traditions, Inspired Lives.

Mission - Our pluralistic Jewish community day school prepares and inspires Jewish students through an extraordinary secular and Judaic education to live purposefully, act ethically, and thrive in the world.

"The school's administration and faculty and its community are our favorite parts. They're so integrated for us. We love and so greatly appreciate the warmth and genuine caring that the school has shown us. We would recommend Denver JDS to other families because of its mission of providing a program strong in both social-emotional and academic training and because of Denver JDS' amazingly warm, inviting and inclusive community." – Jennifer Jacobs, new parent

Denver JDS at a glance



Celebrated **44 years** as Denver's only Jewish community day school



7:1 overall student to faculty ratio



Over 25% of approximately \$6M budget covered through philanthropic support



16% of students are children of alumni



\$2,396,506

in need based financial aid last year ensured over 200 students could access the Denver JDS experience



157 tickets

(concerts, sporting events, theater, etc.) donated to our hard-working teachers through our Giving Tree initiative



Makerspace, Library, & Farmette



562 buttons created

200 meters of 3D printer filament used

324 3D objects designed and printed

830 design cycles completed



216 K-5 class visits to the Dr. Enrique Feldman Library, with 6,175 books checked out

1,433 new books added during the school year for a total of 12,162 books in the Dr. Enrique Feldman Library, K-5



1,418 hours spent by lower division students in the Farmette

1,596 seeds planted directly into the Farmette soil

582 cups of compost produced

84 varieties of produce grown

42 different recipes made in Blast class (after school programming)

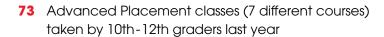




Academics



31 percentile points above the national average for math and reading MAPS test scores, grades 2 - 5





24% of our Class of 2019 achieved outstanding Advanced Placement (AP) test performance

\$1,567,200 in merit scholarships earned, Class of 2019



80% gained early decision acceptance to college, Class of 2019

83,376 lines of code written by upper division students

4,466 science experiments conducted in our lab



5,504 hours spent by our Learning Resource Center staff on academic and social emotional support for our students



Community & Jewish Life



\$4,696 donated to local community partners through our K-5 Helping Hands *Tzedakah* (Charity) initiative

1,350 hours of community service completed by high school students last year

23 Experiential Education field trips taken, grades K-5

minutes a month students in grades 6-9 spent honing their "MenschSkills" (kindness to self and others) in our social emotional learning initiatives

92 hours a year students spent bonding and creating memories together at the spring and fall Shabbatonim (weekend retreats), grades 6-12



380 costumes worn proudly on *Purim* and Celebration of Literacy Day

1,784 cups of grape juice sipped at *Kabbalat Shabbat* celebrations

32,000 times *Shema* prayer was said by students during morning *tefillah* (prayer time)





Parent Teacher Organization

Our Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) provides awesome support for the school

- Purchased a transverse climbing wall for all ages
- Upgraded basketball hoops for Strear Family Gymnasium
- Supplied 4 smartboards and 34 chrome books and iPads for lower division students
- Provides regular teacher appreciation gifts and support, including the annual Teacher appreciation breakfast
- Hosts ongoing parent and student engagement programming including coffee and chat, treats on Friday afternoons, and fall and spring book fairs









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