



# 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



**73** Advanced Placement classes (7 different courses) taken by 10th - 12th graders last year

**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

**200** 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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