

# Parent Survey

We know that you may refer to your place of work as a "preschool," "early childhood center," or other similar name. For the sake of brevity, throughout this survey "early childhood educational program" (abbreviated as "ECE program") will be used.

1.1. What is the name of the ECE program where your child is enrolled?

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1.2. How many years have you had a child(ren) attend this ECE program?

- one year
- two years
- three years
- four years
- five years or more

1.3. How many of your children currently attend this ECE program?

- one
- two
- three
- four or more

Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements.

*SD = Strongly Disagree D = Disagree N=Neutral A = Agree SA = Strongly Agree*

2.1. Our ECE program . . .

	<i>SD</i>	<i>D</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>A</i>	<i>SA</i>
<i>is well planned and efficiently run</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>has a high quality child development curriculum</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>has excellent teachers</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>offers high quality Jewish life programming</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>provides an excellent secular education</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>provides an excellent Jewish education</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>is excellent</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>has a higher level of quality than any other ECE program in this area</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>does a good job of preparing children for Kindergarten</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>communicates frequently and effectively with families</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>taps into children's interests</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>documents children's learning</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>engages children in hands-on projects that take multiple days or weeks</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

2.2. Our ECE program . . .

	<i>SD</i>	<i>D</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>A</i>	<i>SA</i>
<i>promotes opportunities for families to get involved in activities that are connected to Jewish living and learning</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>promotes opportunities for parents to learn about parenting issues</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>provides information about child development to our families</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>helps parents provide Jewish experiences for their children</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>helps parents become actively involved in planning programs or taking other leadership roles</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**2.3. The teacher(s) in my child(ren)'s classroom . . .**

	<i>SD</i>	<i>D</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>A</i>	<i>SA</i>
<i>is caring.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>is excellent.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>actively promotes children's initiative to shape what goes on in the classroom</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>effectively teaches children about Jewish life</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>foster a love for Judaism</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>is responsive to differences in children's cultural and/or linguistic backgrounds</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>regularly welcomes and responds to questions from parents</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>communicate on a regular basis with parents about what happens in the classroom</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>dialogues with me about my child(ren)'s needs and growth</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>talks to me about how to further my family's Jewish living and learning</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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**2.4. About Our ECE program:**

	<i>SD</i>	<i>D</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>A</i>	<i>SA</i>
<i>Our ECE program's leadership is actively engaged in efforts to improve the quality of the program</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Our ECE program provides information about child development to our families</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Our ECE program provides information to parents about Jewish experiences for their children and families and themselves</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>There have been improvements in the quality of programming at our ECE program in the last 2 years</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>There have been improvements in the quality of teaching in our ECE program in the last 2 years</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Our ECE program helps parents become actively involved in planning programs or taking other leadership roles</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**2.5. If a family considering enrolling their child in this ECE program asked you about your child's experiences, what would you highlight?**

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**3.1. Are you raising your children as:**

**Please check ONE ONLY**

- solely as a Jew
- solely in another religion
- Both as a Jew and in another religion
- Without affiliation to any religion

## How often do you or your family . . .

3.2.

	<i>Never</i>	<i>Seldom</i>	<i>Sometimes</i>	<i>Usually</i>	<i>Always</i>
<i>socialize with families with young Jewish children</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>do Jewish “things” with families with young Jewish children</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>read Jewish books or sing Jewish songs with our child(ren)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>use some Hebrew words with our child(ren)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>say Jewish blessings</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>celebrate Shabbat (e.g. special meal, ritual, story, songs)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>celebrate Jewish holidays (e.g. special meal, ritual, story, songs)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>participate in a Jewish worship experience</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>attend events and/or programs at the Jewish Community Center or other Jewish organizations</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>attend Jewish cultural events, film festivals educational lectures, or workshops</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Has the experiences of your child(ren) at the ECE program INCREASED any of the following aspects of your family’s Jewish life?

3.3. We experienced increases in . . .

	<i>Greatly Decreased</i>	<i>Decreased</i>	<i>Stayed Same</i>	<i>Increased</i>	<i>Greatly Increased</i>
<i>a strong sense of meaning in our lives</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>a rhythm to our family's day, week, and year through such Jewish practices as Shabbat and holidays</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>comfort level in participating in Jewish practice</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>living by Jewish values and ideas</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>feeling joy in being Jewish</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>feeling a part of the chain of the Jewish people from the far past and into the future</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>awareness of events that are influencing the Jewish people here and abroad</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>awareness of Israel and its culture</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>involvement in the Jewish community</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>discussing Jewish values with our child(ren)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>subscriptions to Jewish newspapers, magazines, websites or similar</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>time spent with families with young Jewish children</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>time spent talking about Jewish matters (e.g., ideas, topics, events, values) with others</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Jewish friends for our children and/or adults</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**3.4. As a result of attending this ECE program, my plans for my child(ren)'s future Jewish education has changed . . .**

	<i>NA-because already certain that would happen before child(ren) attended this ECE program</i>	<i>Decreased</i>	<i>Did not change</i>	<i>Increased a little</i>	<i>Increased a lot</i>
<i>My child(ren) will attend a Jewish day school</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>My child(ren) will attend a congregational/Hebrew school</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>My child(ren) will attend a Jewish camp</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

### A few questions about you

**5.1. Have your spouse/partner or you participated in an adult Jewish learning program sponsored by this ECE program this school year?**

- not offered at our ECE program*
- 1-3*
- 4-6*
- 7-9*
- more than 9*

**5.2. Have your spouse/partner or you participated in a parenting program sponsored by this ECE program this school year?**

- not offered at our ECE program*
- 1-3*
- 4-6*
- 7-9*
- more than 9*

**5.3. In what ways has the ECE program had an impact on you or your family?**

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