



Ottawa Jewish
Community School

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Dear Parents,

Thank you for your interest in the Ottawa Jewish Community School! Welcome to the application process. Do our stars align? Please review our "North Stars" (our core values) and see if the OJCS is the right fit for you.

The Ottawa Jewish Community School prides itself in having a clear mission and vision guided by our North Stars. We are committed to providing the highest-level secular and Jewish educational experiences, within a community context where our students can thrive.

Please take the time to review and complete the application package. Upon completion of this package, please return all information to the school for review. Once the admissions department has a chance to review the application thoroughly, you will receive a written letter of response.

If you gain acceptance, you will then be given an admissions package to complete.

A school is most successful when it can recognize its areas of strength and proficiency while acknowledging areas that extend beyond its current capabilities. The OJCS strives to serve all Jewish students in the Ottawa/Gatineau area, and we continue to work toward achieving this goal by partnering with organizations and community resources, when feasible, to best meet the needs of our students. However, there are some circumstances where a student's needs extend beyond what can be offered, even with planful supports and accommodations. Our admissions process involves careful review and consideration of each applicant in order to ensure that the services offered at the OJCS will best meet each individual child. As a result, determination of admission is decided on a case-by-case basis. We believe that it is essential to work in partnership with each family to ensure their child can reach his/her full potential. We appreciate your cooperation with our admissions process.

If you have any questions please contact our Admissions Director, Jennifer Greenberg at: j.greenberg@theojcs.ca.

Sincerely,

Dr. Jon Mitzmacher
Head of School

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Some examples of student profiles when the Ottawa Jewish Community School may not be able to properly service a student **yet** include:

1. A student exhibiting behavioural presentations, such as aggression, defiance, and/or oppositional behaviour, that would interfere with the learning of a whole class.
2. A student with a developmental delay (we do not offer Locally Developed Classes, Life Skills classes or Developmentally Delayed classes);
3. MID (depending on severity) - we do not have the proper classes or resource personnel at this time, to support a student with this level of need;
4. Non-verbal - at this time, we do not have the capabilities or expertise to support a child who is not able to speak;
5. Toileting/medical needs - we do not have the staff resources to support a student who requires assistance for medical or hygiene needs;

Thank you for your patience and understanding regarding this sensitive matter.

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