



## Head of Jewish Studies & Jewish Life

At the Ottawa Jewish Community School, we collectively work to support our mission to provide an integrated General and Jewish Studies education that is comprehensive and academically challenging. Our commitment to educational excellence and Jewish tradition teaches our students to maximize their academic, social, physical and spiritual potential. At the Ottawa Jewish Community School, education instills a strong sense of identity, preparedness for higher education and a commitment to responsible living guided by Jewish ethics and values.

The Ottawa Jewish Community School is seeking a passionate and innovative Jewish educator to join the Leadership Team of a cutting-edge, pluralistic JK -8 school located in the capital of Canada. The Head of Jewish Studies & Jewish Life will be the lead educator for Jewish Studies at OJCS, working with the Head of School and Vice Principal to move our innovative and personalized learning program forward. S/he will also be charged with thinking through student life activities with a Jewish lens. This is a newly expanded position and we are open to different configurations of teaching and administration to best marry our needs and the talents of the right candidate for the school.

Responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Jewish Studies Curriculum Development and Implementation
- Supervision of Jewish Studies Faculty
- Liaison with other community agencies in Ottawa and outside of Ottawa, e.g., Federation, Prizmah, synagogue rabbis, other schools with regard to Jewish Studies.
- Teacher mentoring and professional development
- Holiday assembly programming oversight
- Recruitment of supply (substitute) teachers for Jewish Studies and review of resumes submitted for teacher placement in school
- Exploring new teaching techniques and technologies unique to Jewish Studies and Hebrew language instruction
- Working with Head of School and Leadership Team to move the strategic plan of the school forward
- Serve as a Resource for all Jewish Studies Faculty
- Ordering of all curricula and supplies for Jewish Studies
- Organizing and helping to facilitate Middle School minyanim
- Advising students and families on Jewish educational opportunities post-OJCS
- Design and facilitate Jewish life programming
- Teaching selected courses in the Middle School

**Application Instructions:** If interested, please send a cover letter and resume to the Head of School, Dr. Jon Mitzmacher at: [teach@theojcs.ca](mailto:teach@theojcs.ca). Only applicants who are being actively considered will be contacted.



## **Head of Jewish Studies & Jewish Life**

**Duration:** Contract Position

**Salary Range:** Commensurate with Education and Experience

**Preferred Experience:** 5+ Years of Experience

**Preferred Degree/Credentials:** Master degree in Jewish Studies or Jewish Education, Rabbinic ordination, an asset; experience working with Junior/Intermediate Divisions.