



Gray Academy

OF JEWISH EDUCATION

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קהילה. משפחה. דרך חיים. Our Community. Our Family. Our Way of Life.





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Recent academic years have witnessed the development of Gray Academy of Jewish Education as one of the pre-eminent independent schools in North America. In addition to our accreditation by Canadian Educational Standards Institute (CESI), the recognition and accolades our school has received clearly demonstrates that we have surpassed National Standards of Excellence.



The Vision

We are proud of our deep-rooted foundations in Jewish life and the values that Gray Academy of Jewish Education provides to our community and the City of Winnipeg.

Our clear vision to provide an educational environment of academic excellence, strong Jewish values and proud citizenship is reflected in the fulfillment of our mandate this past year to:

- Connect with our supporters to promote an understanding of the impact of the school on the community at large;
- Attract new immigrant families to the school;
- Create a sense of belonging and pride in our students, teachers and parent body;
- Appeal to the extended family and visitors who come to our community campus but are not always directly involved with our school;
- Celebrate our long and rich history;
- Broaden the larger community's understanding of who we are and where we are going.

The Benefits of Educating Your Child in a Jewish Educational Environment

- Expanded programming of our Learning Centre to better serve our students' diverse learning needs
- A new Beit Midrash space for the expanded Judaic Studies program
- New curriculum and new programs in Judaic Studies across several grade levels
- Highest academic standards with a strong emphasis on Jewish education
- Life lessons in Tikkun Olam, Gemilut Chasadim, and giving back to the community through volunteer service
- Developing leadership skills to become Jewish leaders in the community





The Value Associated with a Gray Academy Education

- 2 diplomas upon graduation: General Studies diploma and Judaic Studies diploma
- Judaic Studies programming: Jewish Awareness Retreat and Spirit Weekend
- NETA Program – Hebrew language curriculum program whereby teachers receive training in Israel, New York and Boston
- Advanced Placement Program – AP English, AP Calculus, AP Biology, AP Chemistry and AP European History
- Debating Program – National and International Competition
- English as an Additional Language Program
- Language Arts – Regional CanSpell Spelling Bee Competition
- History – Forum for Young Canadians and Encounters with Canada (Ottawa), Asper Foundation Human Rights and Holocaust Studies Program trip to Washington, D.C., Partnership 2000 Program in Israel, Model U.N. trip to New York
- Music, Drama and Band Program
- Math & Science – Manitoba Provincial Science Symposium, Canadian National Mathematics League, University of Waterloo High School Math Contest
- Aboriginal Education and Exchange Program with Southeast College
- Athletics – Basketball Program, Curling, Badminton, Soccer, Volleyball, Flag Football, Track and Field, Golf, Ski Trip and more
- Extra-Curricular – Chess Club, Tefillin Club, Lunch & Learn with Rabbis, Running Club, Regional Bible Contest, Reach for the Top Team, B'nai Brith Camp Outdoor Education Trip



The Results of a Gray Academy Experience: Profile of a Graduate

The diversification of our student population from across the globe who speak many different languages is reflected in the growth of our school admissions. As a community day school, we believe in accessibility to a Jewish education for all Jewish children, where the highest academic standards are delivered to develop our future leaders.

A graduate of our school can expect to bring value to the Jewish community and society at large, and Gray Academy delivers on its promise by:

- Educating and developing the future leaders of tomorrow
- Instilling a proud connection to our Jewish heritage and a sense of belonging
- Encouraging the creativity of all students
- Building a stronger community that is connected to Judaism and Israel

Al Benarroch ('82)

Talmud Torah and Joseph Wolinsky Collegiate (JWC) graduate and Clinical Director of Jewish Child and Family Service. Al has 2 children attending Gray Academy.

"I have a strong commitment to Jewish values, tradition and education, through my active synagogue participation, continued Jewish learning and lay leadership as a High Holidays services leader. I hope to bring my professional and personal expertise to the Board of Jewish Education to assist Gray Academy in maintaining its pursuit of both General and Judaic academic excellence."



Yael Shrom ('07)

Gray Academy Gold Medalist for academic achievement, Provincial Excellence Award recipient from the Canada Millennium Scholarship Foundation and community leader.

"What I love about Gray Academy is that because there is a smaller atmosphere, I am able to take advantage of all of these opportunities. How many people at a large high school can say that simultaneously, they were involved in student council; played on the volleyball, basketball and soccer teams; went on educational trips to Israel, the U.N., and the March of the Living trip; became a journalist for the school newspaper and a peer tutor; and also performed in the school band? At Gray Academy, the smaller, more nurturing atmosphere, allows for every student to excel in the activity and program that he or she chooses."

The Future

Our commitment to our students and parent body is unwavering. Together we aim to achieve the highest potential, both as an academic institution of higher learning, and as a community-minded place to nurture Jewish students to become the future leaders of tomorrow.

We are investing in Our Community. Our Family. Our Way of Life.



An education at Gray Academy provides your child the opportunity to be exposed to a myriad of academic and personal growth experiences.

Gray Academy proudly proclaims that it is the central gathering place for excellence in education and the development of future Jewish leaders; a collective perspective motivated by a spirit of civic courage and social responsibility that will influence the functioning of our community for centuries to come.

A recent study undertaken by the *Partnership of Excellence in Jewish Education* states that students with Jewish day school experience express a greater commitment to the Jewish community.

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