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ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE, JEWISH VALUES, LEADERSHIP CURRICULUM

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	Elementary K-1	Elementary 2-5	Middle School 6-8
Mathematics	Number fluency Basic arithmetic skills In-depth study and mastery of concepts through use of manipulatives and visual learning with clear progression from concrete to abstract	Understanding whole to part relationships Introduction to variables	Full range of high-school math preparation including pre-algebra and algebra Analysis of math functions and higher level problem solving Real life applications
Science	Nature (Plants, Bugs, Animals) Human Body (Nutrition, Motion, Hygiene) Earth Science and Astronomy	Mechanical, physical matter and functions Develop critical thinking skills Geology, Environment, Chemistry	Scientific inquiry and research-based process Multi-dimensional teaching methodology including lab skills Strengthen critical thinking skills through discovery and analysis
Language Arts	Phonics and reading fluency Whole language Public speaking	Strong literacy skills incorporating rhetorical conventions Presentation of written and project work Emphasis on writing, analysis, vocabulary building	Literary analysis focused on the classics and modern texts Strong essay, critical and creative writing skills Refinement of presentation skills in public forums Vocabulary and concept development
Social Studies	Community building, cultural awareness Map reading skills Learning the functions of cities and towns	Charleston, State and US history Democracy in action Global cultural history Map reading skills	Ancient, Renaissance, European and Asia history US government, current events, philanthropy Historical research and use of primary sources
Hebrew	Phonics and reading fluency Daily Hebrew immersion	Ivrit b'Ivrit - Hebrew in Hebrew Hebrew immersion: conversation, reading and writing	Conversational fluency Embracing modern culture of Israel Essay writing skills
Judaic Studies	Familiarity with customs and traditions, holidays and Shabbat Introduction to Israel	Siddur skills Rituals Morals and values Torah analysis Jewish history Trope chanting Israel connection	Strong identity with Israel culminating in 8th grade trip to Israel Jewish community values History, traditions & culture: past, present & future Interpretation skills of Biblical and Rabbinic texts
Technology	Keyboard and mouse skills Computer-generated art Basic computing functions	Word processing Introduction to Smart Board skills Online research and safety	Integrated computer use into all academic areas
The Arts	Songs and rhythm Holidays and choral music Composition of art diary Reinforcement of cultural and special holidays through art Art appreciation and study of art periods Participation in local, community and national art competitions	Choral singing in English and Hebrew Study and appreciation of music genres	
Service Learning/Leadership	Year-long class service project Hands-on service to the community Leadership – self-responsibility	Reading program with pre-schoolers Care packages to Israel, local shelters and food banks Leadership – group responsibility	Middle School service projects Leadership training Student government Leadership - community responsibility
Physical Education	Sports skills, team building Nutrition, healthy lifestyle, safety and sportsmanship		Basketball, Soccer, Volleyball, and Flag Football Trident Basketball Association
Second Step	Upholding and modeling respect, sense of belonging, safety and responsibility Resolving conflict and teaching empathy		
Third Language	French via TPR (Total Physical Response) i.e., oral instruction through games, art and music		Spanish immersion: conversation, reading and writing