



## **THE ANSCHE CHESED HEBREW SCHOOL**

Dear Parent,

**At the Anshe Chesed Hebrew School, our students link heart, head, and hand.**

**Heart:** Our students are encouraged to seek meaning in the material they study by asking, “Why is this important to the Jewish people? Why is this meaningful to me?” They bring their personal passions – from drama to comic book drawing – into the classroom and connect them with their learning. They continually develop their Jewish identities by engaging and interacting with the core values of our tradition.

**Head:** Our students read and interact with primary Jewish texts and complex Jewish ideas. They learn Hebrew through prayer so that the Hebrew they encounter in synagogue has meaning and depth. They are asked challenging questions and are encouraged to ask challenging questions in return.

**Hand:** Our students are committed to *tikkun olam*, healing the world through social action. They raise money for charities and donate their time to others by visiting nursing homes and cooking for Anshe Chesed’s homeless shelter. They lead each other in *Tefilah* (prayer services). They offer their hand in friendship, and in doing so, create community.

Moreover, the Hebrew School, steeped in the egalitarian, socially progressive, ritually traditional, and intellectually vigorous institution of Anshe Chesed, provides opportunities for families to become comfortable and connected with our community and tradition.

We look forward to your family joining the Anshe Chesed Hebrew School community. Should you have any further questions or wish to learn more about our school, please contact Rabbi Lauren Kurland, our Education Director, at [LKurland@AnsheChesed.org](mailto:LKurland@AnsheChesed.org).