



# Your Community. Your School. Your Legacy.

**Our Mission:** Denver Jewish Day School is a pluralistic Jewish community day school that prepares and inspires Jewish students through an extraordinary secular and Judaic education to live purposefully, act ethically and thrive in the world.



Extraordinary Education. Timeless Traditions. Inspired Lives.

At Denver Jewish Day School, friendships have a lasting impact on our students. In Sam Rotbart and Samantha Berenstein's case, their friendship blossomed into much more. Both graduates of Denver Jewish Day School (Classes of 2010 and 2011), they celebrated their wedding on November 11, 2017. Today, their parents are both making their own lasting impact with legacy gifts to Denver Jewish Day School.

"We strongly believe that Jewish day schools are vital to the continuation of the Jewish family," say Sara and Dr. Harley Rotbart. "Denver JDS changed our lives and our kids' lives, and just as the school has created a legacy in our family, we want to help create a legacy for Denver JDS. Designating the school as a beneficiary in our wills has given us a meaningful way to show our ongoing support for an institution that has meant so much to us."



(l-r) Jerry and Kathy Berenstein, Denver JDS graduates Samantha and Sam Rotbart, and Sara and Dr. Harley Rotbart

# No matter your age or financial status,

Regardless of your means, you can plan a legacy gift that will support Denver Jewish Day School. A charitable bequest is one of the simplest ways you can leave a legacy at Denver JDS. A life insurance policy, retirement account, or donations of stocks and bonds can be just as meaningful.

The Legacy Society at Denver JDS was established in 2005 to give people like you an opportunity to demonstrate support for our institution by including our school in your estate plans.

Denver JDS is poised to have several million dollars added to our endowment as planned gifts materialize over the next several years. We currently have \$2.9M in our endowment holdings, generating about \$135,000 annually for operating needs. These funds, secured by thoughtful and passionate donors, are a critical part of our financial stability.

**You can help us to continue our mission to prepare and inspire Jewish students now and into the future.**

“All three of our kids completed kindergarten through twelfth grade at Denver JDS and we have been proud supporters of the school since our oldest, Matt, enrolled in kindergarten more than two decades ago. He married Nurit, a Denver JDS classmate, and now they have two beautiful children of their own. Our middle child, Emily, is engaged to Eitan, a Solomon Schechter Day School graduate from back east. Our youngest, Sam, recently married his Denver JDS sweetheart, Samantha. All of our kids continue to make their Jewish heritage, the *middot* (values) they learned at Denver JDS, integral parts of their adult lives.”



Sara & Dr. Harley Rotbart



You can make an impactful gift for Denver JDS's future.



# now's the time to create your legacy.



Jerry & Kathy Berenstein

**“The values and formal education our daughters received at Denver JDS have contributed to their success as adults. Continually providing for the financial needs of this wonderful institution remains in all our best interests.”**

“Our older daughter Becky went to Denver JDS kindergarten through sixth grade. She is a college graduate, married, the mother of two, and the successful business owner of Ericson Monuments. Our younger daughter Samantha went to Denver JDS kindergarten through twelfth grade. She, too, is a college graduate and now works for Ogilvie Public Relations, specializing in the healthcare market. Recently, she married her long-time boyfriend, Sam Rotbart, also a Denver JDS graduate.

Our daughters received a strong secular and Judaic education. But more importantly, they learned life skills: common sense, patience, problem solving abilities, and integrity. They are known as women who can be trusted, and they have respect for their business, their family, and their acquaintances.”

## Build your own legacy. Leave a gift in the form of:

- Your will or revocable living trust
- A life insurance policy
- Retirement plan assets
- Savings account, certificate of deposit, or Israel bond

Your gifts now and in the future impact children who will become our leaders of tomorrow.



# Learn from the past. Live in the present. Plan for the future.

We believe...in a vibrant Denver Jewish community that supports high-quality secular and Judaic education.

We built...a fabulous K-12 campus that any Jewish child can attend.

We sustain...through annual giving and our endowment gift.

We are grateful...to make a legacy gift to the teachers and staff at Denver JDS who nourish our students every day.

With gratitude toward a bright, sustained future,

The Malman Opatowski Family Fund



Ruth Malman and Dr. Michael Opatowski

Now may be  
the time to  
revise your will.

- Has it been more than five years since your will was drawn up?
- Has there been a change in tax law?
- Has there been a change in your marital status?
- Has there been a birth or death in your family?
- Have you moved from one state to another?
- Do you need to provide differently for your children?
- Have your remembered organizations that have touched your life?

Your generosity reaches all corners of our community, now and in the future.  
Contact us to learn how you can make a difference.



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