COVID-19 UPDATE
For the class of 2023, COVID resulted in a virtual learning environment for the spring and fall of 2020 with no break in studies. During this time, the students continued to receive assignments and grades as they normally do. Since November 2020 classes have been taught in person.

SCHOOL OVERVIEW
With approximately 870 students, the Charles E. Smith Jewish Day School (CESJDS), founded in 1965, is one of the largest and most prestigious JK-12 Jewish day schools in the United States. CESJDS boasts 77 seniors among a high school student body of approximately 350. The school provides an environment in which students flourish academically and are prepared for leadership and active engagement in American society and the Jewish community. The School is approved by the State of Maryland Department of Education and accredited by the Association of Independent Maryland Schools (AIMS).

INNOVATIVE CURRICULUM
CESJDS offers an innovative curriculum and is at the forefront of preparing students by blending knowledge and skills necessary for success in the 21st century. The curriculum is taught through a rigorous general and Judaic studies program, highlighted by the integration of technology in every discipline. Students are enrolled in eight to nine courses during an extended academic day. In addition to the traditional core courses and electives taught at the level expected of an outstanding college preparatory school, students are required to take courses in Judaic Studies, including Hebrew Language, Jewish History, and Israeli Text. Jewish History courses are aligned with the skills standards of the History Department. Jewish Text courses teach critical analysis, problem-solving, close reading, and argumentation skills that are applicable across the curriculum. Additional foreign language courses, including Arabic and Spanish, are offered as electives. Throughout their years at CESJDS, students excel and have regularly received recognition in the arts, athletics, and special interests. All CESJDS students are required to complete a minimum of 80 hours of community service prior to graduation. Each year our students receive a high number of academic honors and recognition at the state and national levels.

SENIOR SEMESTER ABROAD: EXPLORING JEWISH HISTORY AND CULTURE
CESJDS seniors graduate in February and most elect to participate in the 13 week, school-sponsored trip to Israel and Eastern Europe. Led by a team of certified professional teachers, students travel the length and breadth of Israel, exploring the country’s history and culture through a program of study, volunteer work, and outdoor activities. During their experience abroad they also travel to Poland and the Czech Republic on a nine-day journey, exploring the history of Eastern European Jewry and the Holocaust. This semester-long program provides an invaluable opportunity for independent living, social and emotional maturation, and experiential education.

STATISTICS FOR CLASS OF 2022

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HONORS & RECOGNITION FOR CLASS OF 2022

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CURRICULUM LEVELS
CESJDS offers a two-level system of course offerings. Enriched College Prep (ECP) courses are rigorous, challenging, and nurture creativity, critical thinking, and collaborative learning skills. Advanced (ADV) courses expect that students will demonstrate significant skills in independent work, oral and written expression, critical and original thinking, and intense motivation toward their learning. CESJDS offers Mathematics and Hebrew Language courses at multiple levels.

In keeping with the school’s tradition of emphasizing personal academic discovery, creativity, and a deep exploration of course material, CESJDS does not offer Advanced Placement (AP) courses. Students may elect to take AP exams.
ENGLISH
4 credits required
English 9, 10, 11, (ECP, ADV)*
English 12 (1/2 credit) (ECP, ADV)
English World Lit (1/2 credit; ECP, ADV)

MATHEMATICS
3.5 credits required
Geometry (ENR, ACC, ADV)
Algebra II (ECP, ECP, ADV)
Pre-Calculus (ECP, ACC, ADV)
Data Analysis & Statistics (ECP)
Principles of Calculus (ACC, ADV)
Calculus I (ADV)
Multivariable Calculus (ADV)
Statistics (ADV)

SCIENCE
3.5 credits required
Biology I (ECP, ADV)
Chemistry (ECP, ADV)
Physics I (ECP, ADV), Physics II (ADV)
Physics III (ADV)
Genetics/Biotechnology I and II (ECP, ADV)
Bioengineering (ADV)
Anatomy & Physiology (ECP)
Ecology and Climate Science (ECP, ADV)

HISTORY AND SOCIAL SCIENCE
3.5 credits required
World History I (ECP, ADV)
World History II (ECP, ADV)
United States History (ECP, ADV)
21st Century American Identity (ECP, ADV)

JEWISH HISTORY
2 credits required; 5 credits available
Ancient/Medieval Jewish History (ECP, ADV)
Modern Jewish History (ECP, ADV)
Modern Israel (ECP, ADV)
Jewish History Distributions (ECP, ADV)

JEWISH TEXT
2.5 credits required; 5 credits available
Courses offered in English (ECP, ADV) and Hebrew text (ADV)
Ancient Hebrew Literature
Biblical Interpretation
Ethics
Jewish Law
Philosophy
Talmud Study
Theology

*ECP=Enriched College Prep | ADV=Advanced (highest level)

HEBREW LANGUAGE
2 credits required, 5.5 available
Hebrew Language (Levels 1-5; ECP, Levels 6-9 ADV)
Hebrew Literature (Level 12 ADV)
Hebrew Literature (Level 12 ADV)
Heritage Learners (ECP, ADV)

ELECTIVES
3 elective credits required from either Foreign Language, Fine Arts, or other subjects
Spanish I, II (ECP), Spanish III, IV, V (ECP, ADV)
Spanish VI (ADV)
Arabic I, II (ECP), III, IV (ADV)
Art/Graphic Design/Ceramics/Music
Journalism/Yearbook/Photography/Movie Making
Emergency Care and Sport Safety
Computer Programming I, III, IV (ADV)
Programming I, II, III, IV
STEM courses (ECP, ADV)
Creative Writing (ECP, ADV)
Psychology (ECP, ADV)
Kinesiology and Athletic Training

EXERCISE SCIENCE
1 credit required
Physical Education
Students participating on an athletic team
may earn up to one credit in Exercise Science.

97% of our students attend a four-year college or university. The classes of 2020-2022 were accepted by the following colleges and universities. (* = matriculation)