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CESJDS AT A GLANCE

- * 104 seniors in the class of 2015
- * Average Class Size: 16
- * Teacher-Student Ratio: 1:7
- * 73% of faculty have master's degree or higher
- * 12 Varsity Sports
- * 26 Extracurricular Clubs and Organizations
- * 54 seniors (50.4% of the class of 2014) were offered merit scholarships valued at \$5.55 million.

SCHOOL OVERVIEW

With approximately 1000 students, the Charles E. Smith Jewish Day School (CESJDS), founded in 1965, is one of the largest and most prestigious K-12 Jewish day schools in North America. CESJDS boasts 104 seniors among a high school student body of 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. CESJDS is a member of the National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS) and the Association of Independent Maryland Schools (AIMS). The School is approved by the State of Maryland Department of Education and accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools.

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 or 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 Jewish Text and Philosophy. Several advanced level Judaic Studies courses are conducted exclusively in Hebrew. 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. In addition, all CESJDS students are required to complete a minimum of 80 hours of community service prior to graduation. Each year our students receive an exceptionally 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 the majority elect to participate in the 13 week, school-sponsored trip to Israel and Eastern Europe. Led by a team of certified professional teachers, each of whom is also a licensed tour guide, 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 Israel experience 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 that prepare the seniors for a smooth transition to college.

STATISTICS FOR CLASS OF 2014

Grade Point Average for Middle 50%	3.62-4.53
SAT Critical Reading Middle 50%	570-710
SAT Math Middle 50%	580-710
SAT Writing Middle 50%	580-720
ACT Middle 50%	26-31

HONORS & RECOGNITION FOR CLASS OF 2014

- 7 National Merit Finalists
- 14 National Merit Commended Students
- 3 National Hispanic Recognition Program Scholars

CURRICULUM LEVELS

Beginning with the Class of 2015, CESJDS transitioned to 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 Hebrew Language and Mathematics at four levels.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

In keeping with the school's tradition, one that emphasizes personal academic discovery, creativity, and a deep exploration of course material, CESJDS does not offer Advanced Placement (AP) courses. However, students often elect to take AP exams. For the class of 2014:

- 23 students took a total of 44 AP exams.
- Students took exams in Calculus AB and BC, Chemistry, English Language and Literature, European History, Microeconomics, Physics, US Government and Politics, and US History;
- scores on 70% of the exams were 4 or 5 and;
- scores on 91% of exams were 3 or above.

UPPER SCHOOL PROGRAM

ENGLISH

4 credits required
 English 9, 10, 11 (ECP, ADV)*
 English 12 (1/2 credit) (ECP, ADV)
 English Distribution (1/2 credit; ECP, ADV)

MATHEMATICS

3.5 credits required
 Geometry (ECP, ACC, ADV)
 Formal Geometry (ADV)
 Algebra II (ECP, ACC, ADV)
 Pre-Calculus (ADV)
 Function Analysis & Trig (ECP, ACC, ADV)
 Data Analysis & Statistics (ECP)
 Principles of Calculus (ACC, ADV)
 Multivariable Calculus (ADV)

SCIENCE

3.5 credits required
 Biology I (ECP, ADV)
 Chemistry I (ECP, ADV), Chemistry II (ADV)
 Physics I (ECP, ADV), Physics II (ADV)
 Genetics/Biotechnology I and II (ECP, ADV)
 Bioengineering (ADV)
 Anatomy & Physiology (ECP)
 Research Topics in Physics (ADV)

HISTORY & SOCIAL SCIENCE

3.5 credits required
 World History I (ECP, ADV) World History II (ECP, ADV)
 United States History (ECP, ADV)
 History Distribution (1/2 credit; ECP, ADV)

JEWISH HISTORY

2 credits required; 5 credits available
 Ancient/Medieval Jewish History (ECP, ADV)
 Modern Jewish History I & II (ECP, ADV)
 Modern Israel (ECP, ADV)
 Jewish History Distributions (ECP, ADV)

JEWISH TEXT, THOUGHT, & PRACTICE (JTTP)

2.5 credits required; 5.5 credits available
 Courses offered in English (ECP, ADV) and Hebrew (ADV):
 Ancient Hebrew Literature
 Biblical Interpretation
 Ethics
 Jewish Law
 Philosophy
 Talmud Study
 Theology

*ECP=Enriched College Prep • ADV=Advanced
 ACC=Accelerated (*Mathematics only*)

HEBREW LANGUAGE

2 - 3.5 credits required
 Hebrew Language (ECP, INT, ADV INT, ADV)*
 INT=Intermediate

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 (ECP)
 Arabic II and III (ADV)
 Art
 Ceramics
 Journalism
 Music
 Photography
 Sports Medicine I and II
 Yearbook

EXERCISE SCIENCE

1.5 credits required
 Human Development
 Physical Education
 Students participating on an athletic team may earn up to one credit in Exercise Science.

COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES

92.5% of our students attend a four-year college or university. The classes of 2012-2014 were accepted by the following colleges and universities. (* = matriculation)

Adelphi University	George Washington University*	Pomona College	U of Denver (2)*
American University	Georgetown University (2)*	Pratt Institute	U of Florida
Amherst College	Gettysburg College	Princeton University (4)*	U of Georgia
Arizona State University	Goucher College*	Purchase College State University of New York	U of Hartford*
Auburn University	Green Mountain College	Purdue University*	U of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Bard College	Grinnell College	Quinnipiac University	U of Kansas
Barnard College (3)*	Guilford College	Ramapo College of New Jersey	U of Maine
Bates College*	Hampshire College*	Randolph-Macon College	U of Maryland, Baltimore County*
Baylor University*	Haverford College*	Reed College	U of Maryland, College Park (59)*
Bennington College	Hebrew University of Jerusalem	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	U of Massachusetts, Amherst
Berklee College of Music*	High Point University	Rhode Island College	U of Miami (3)*
Binghamton University (6)*	Hobart and William Smith Colleges	Robert Morris University	U of Michigan (11)*
Boston University*	Hofstra University	Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology	U of Minnesota
Brandeis University (5)*	Hood College (3)*	Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey	U of Montana
Brown University (2)*	Indiana State University	Salisbury University	U of New Hampshire
Bryn Mawr College*	Indiana University at Bloomington (11)*	San Diego State University	U of North Carolina at Asheville
Bucknell University	Ithaca College	Sarah Lawrence College*	U of North Carolina at Greensboro
Carleton College	James Madison University*	School of the Art Institute of Chicago	U of North Carolina-Chapel Hill*
Carnegie Mellon University*	Jewish Theological Seminary of America*	Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania	U of North Texas
Case Western Reserve University*	Johns Hopkins University (2)*	Skidmore College*	U of Northern Colorado
Champlain College	Juniata College	Smith College	U of Pennsylvania (4)*
Christopher Newport University	Kansas State University	Southern Methodist University	U of Pittsburgh
Clark University	Kenyon College	St. Mary's College of Maryland	U of Rhode Island
Clemson University*	Lehigh University	Stanford University*	U of Richmond (2)*
Coastal Carolina University*	Lewis & Clark College	Stony Brook University	U of Rochester (3)*
Colby College	Louisiana State University*	Suffolk University	U of South Carolina*
College of Charleston (4)*	Lynn University	SUNY Albany	U of South Florida, Tampa
College of New Jersey	Macalester College	SUNY Alfred State College	U of Southern California*
College of William and Mary	Manhattanville College	SUNY College at Geneseo	U of Tampa
College of Wooster	McGill University (2)*	Susquehanna University	U of Tennessee, Knoxville
Colorado State University*	Miami University, Oxford	Swarthmore College*	U of Texas, Austin (2)*
Columbia College Chicago	Michigan State University	Syracuse University (3)*	U of Vermont*
Columbia University (5)*	Middlebury College (2)*	Temple University	U of Virginia*
Connecticut College	Montclair State University	Texas Christian University	U of Washington
Cornell University (2)*	Montgomery College, Rockville (8)*	Towson University (9)*	U of Wisconsin, Madison (3)*
Dartmouth College	Mount Holyoke College*	Tufts University (5)*	Ursinus College
Davidson College	Muhlenberg College (2)*	Tulane University (3)*	Vanderbilt University*
Deep Springs College	New School for Jazz and Contemporary Music*	Union College	Vassar College
Denison University*	New York City College of Technology	United States Air Force Academy*	Virginia Commonwealth University
Dickinson College (2)*	New York University	University at Buffalo, SUNY	Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University*
Drew University	North Carolina State University	U of Alabama	Virginia Wesleyan College
Drexel University*	Northeastern University	U of Arizona	Washington and Lee University
Duke University	Northwestern University (4)*	U of British Columbia*	Washington University in St. Louis (11)*
Eckerd College*	Norwich University	U of California at Berkeley	Wellesley College
Elon University	Oberlin College (2)*	U of California at Irvine	Wells College
Emerson College	Ohio State University*	U of California at Los Angeles	Wesleyan University*
Emory University (3)*	Ohio University	U of California at San Diego	West Virginia University
Eugene Lang College New School for Liberal Arts	Ohio Wesleyan University	U of California at Santa Barbara	Western Colorado University
Flagler College	Old Dominion University	U of Central Florida*	Widener University
Florida State University	Peabody Institute of The Johns Hopkins University	U of Chicago (3)*	Williams College (2)*
Franklin & Marshall College (4)*	Pennsylvania State University, University Park (4)*	U of Colorado at Boulder*	Yale University*
Frostburg State University	Philadelphia University*	U of Connecticut*	Yeshiva University (2)*
George Mason University	Pitzer College*	U of Delaware (8)*	York College of Pennsylvania*