

AJL Statement of Educational Goals

For Jewish Children to Promote
Jewish Disability Awareness

We hope to raise future generations who will welcome all Jews into their synagogues, Jewish schools and Jewish organizations. To accomplish this, we must eliminate the physical and emotion barriers that stand in the way.

Only through truly integrating into one's actions the ideals that Judaism expresses about the intrinsic value of every human being can the community honestly accept all Jews into their midst.

1. Children will be aware of the differences among people and be sensitive to the special needs that all people have.
2. Children will have an understanding of the special needs of Jews with disabilities.
3. Children will develop a sense of comfort around people with disabilities who may be in their community.
4. Children will be able to integrate the values they are beginning to learn from this disability awareness program with the values they are learning as Jews.
5. In the future, our children will work to eliminate the physical and emotional barriers that stand in the way of integrating Jews with disabilities into the Jewish community.