

JDAIM

FEBRUARY 2021

Jewish Disability Awareness,
Acceptance & Inclusion Month



EDUCATION: Gan Ami and Machane (Religious School)

- *Gan Ami/Machane food allergy policy
- *Gan Ami employs part-time: OT, SLP, Developmental Support Coordinator and Social Skills Specialist to provide professional training, mentoring and ongoing consultation for teachers and parents of children with diverse needs
- *Atzma'im (independents) program for students with diverse needs in grades 3-6, with support from typically developing students
- *Hebrew resource support is available
- *Specialized curriculum for individual students as needed
- *"Break Boxes" or inclusion bins, for students who need extra support to focus (stress balls, noise-cancelling headphones, bumpy seats, etc.)
- *Inclusion specialist on staff
- *Teacher training session on inclusive practices
- *B'nai Mitzvah flexibility for students with special needs

TEMPLE-WIDE

- *BITACHON Mental Health Awareness programming
- *Food allergy policy for the Temple
- *Publicity includes level of accessibility for off-site events and activities
- *Updated Inclusion section of the Temple website

ENVIRONMENTAL SUPPORT

- *Close-captioning available through Live Stream services
- *Visual *T'filah* in the Sanctuary
- *Grounds have a paved path and handicap parking access
- *Elevator in building to second floor
- *Quiet room available during Shabbat services
- *Live streaming of services
- *Railing and ramp to the *bimah*
- *Large print *siddurim* (prayer books) and hearing loops
- *Shabbat Welcome Table and greeters
- *Playground - ADA compliant