



# 2's Curriculum

The 2's Program at The Community Synagogue L'Dor V'Dor Early Childhood Center (ECC) is designed to provide young children with a loving and safe environment where they can learn and grow in the care of our dedicated and compassionate teachers. The 2's program utilizes a play-based curriculum, with an emphasis on social-emotional learning. Teachers help students learn to take turns, to share and to communicate wants and needs. Instruction is driven by the interest of the children, where students act as co-creators of their own learning experiences.

Our ECC teachers are mindful of each child's unique learning style, and they acknowledge that each child develops at his/her own pace. Shabbat is celebrated weekly with candle lighting, blessings and challah. Our 2s explore Jewish holidays and traditions by reading books, singing songs, and engaging in classroom activities.

## Social & Emotional Objectives

- Learn to separate*
- Begin to share*
- Play with others*
- Identify feelings*
- Develop self-esteem*
- Identify important adults/caregivers*
- Communicate wants and needs*
- Follow routines*
- Make transitions*
- Use manners*
- Take turns*
- Practice Hygiene/Hand Washing*
- Use toilet when ready*

## Cognitive Goals:

### Language & Literacy Objectives

- Follow one-step directions*
- Be introduced to the alphabet*
- Begin to recognize written name*
- Recite rhymes, songs, chants*
- Ask/answer questions*
- Be exposed to a variety of books*
- Engage in pretend play*
- Name familiar objects, colors, foods*

## Mathematics Objectives

- Count to 10*
- Begin to count objects*
- Be exposed to numerals*
- Work with primary and secondary colors*
- Engage in color mixing*
- Build with blocks - construction/engineering*
- Identify more complex shapes*
- Practice 1-to-1 correspondence*
- Discover patterns*
- Explore size concepts*
- Sort objects (by color, shape, size)*

## Science & Social Studies Objectives

- Identify body parts and functions*
- Engage in sensory activities and explorations*
- Explore nature and life cycles*
- Discuss seasons and weather*
- Recognize and name farm animals and pets*
- Learn about where animals live*
- Engage in hands-on experiments*
- Explore different textures*
- Talk about family members*
- Discuss neighborhoods and where you live*
- Learn about holidays*



### *Gross & Fine Motor Skills*

*Color*  
*Paint*  
*Build with manipulatives*  
*Work with play dough and clay*  
*Hold a book*  
*Carry larger objects*  
*Fold/tear paper*  
*Develop hand-eye coordination*  
*Start to understand body awareness*  
*Push/Pull*  
*Roll Objects*  
*Balance*  
*Dance*  
*Jump*  
*Climb*  
*Stretch*  
*Kick a ball*  
*Sit in a chair*

### *Jewish Customs, Holidays & Values*

*Celebrate Shabbat*  
*Perform mitzvot*  
*Give tzedakah*  
*Learn about traditional foods and customs*  
*Recite Prayers*  
*Begin to learn some Hebrew words*  
*Sing Jewish songs in Hebrew & English*

