Each morning during a typical school day at Seattle Hebrew Academy, students from all over Greater Seattle learn, play, socialize, pray with their peers and grow as Americans and as Jews. Students engage intellectually, celebrate the joy of Jewish life and learning, and work to make a difference in the world.

For over 70 years to the present, SHA cultivates in its students a love of G-d, Torah, and a deep and personal connection to the State of Israel. SHA students add significantly to the fabric of life in Puget Sound, as well as in communities across the United States, in Israel and around the world. Students learn to be active citizens of their world, experience personal growth, and come to learn and appreciate the continuity of Jewish tradition from a Modern Orthodox perspective, both Sephardic and Ashkenazic.

Throughout the years at SHA, the students are encouraged to be compassionate, cultivate good midot (character traits), and bring purpose and meaning into their lives. For example, in Kindergarten, students take turns serving as class ambassadors, welcoming all visitors that enter. Class meetings present an opportunity for students to develop empathy and resolve conflicts. In these meetings, students either receive or give a compliment to another student or share a moment where they felt hurt or left out. Leadership is another unique student trait at SHA. This attribute is developed and nurtured by the staff and faculty, allowing the older students to serve as stewards and role models for the younger children. An active sports program provides additional opportunities for students to develop leadership skills and cultivate character by working as a team with others. During the turbulent adolescent years, students are grounded by knowing that SHA is a safe and nurturing place.

Most importantly SHA is a warm and caring community. SHA supports each student and each family as they journey through life and develop their own Jewish identities.

Our Legacy Donors are people like you, who view each student and family as a link in the long chain of Jewish history. With your help, we will strengthen and lengthen this chain.

Please join us with your Legacy gift to ensure that SHA continues to educate children in its crucial mission for the next 70 years and beyond.