

## Teen Engagement Coordinator JOB DESCRIPTION

JEWISHcolorado convenes, connects, invests, and protects Jewish life in Colorado, Israel, and around the world. JEWISHcolorado is the result of a merger of three historic Colorado organizations: Allied Jewish Federation of Colorado, the Colorado Agency for Jewish Education (CAJE), and the Jewish Community Foundation of Colorado. Their legacies live on in JEWISHcolorado's three primary areas of work. Our programs transmit timeless knowledge, education, and values. Our grants infuse significant resources into the local, national, and global Jewish communities. And our Philanthropy Department stewards the community's financial resources for today and tomorrow.

Position Summary: The Teen Engagement Coordinator will work on two teen programs--Jewish Student Connection (JSC) and Joyce Zeff Israel Study Tour (IST). JSC focuses upon impacting teens and ensuring they make meaningful personal connections with Jewish culture, Jewish people, Israel, and each other in a public-school environment. In this role, you will serve as a charismatic and strategic thought leader to engage and mentor Jewish and non-Jewish teens in Jewish cultural clubs at Denver and Boulder public high schools. IST is the Colorado community teen trip to Poland and Israel, taking 70 incoming seniors on a four-week trip each summer. In this role you will support recruitment, pre- and post-trip programming, and will work as staff on the trip.

About Jewish Student Connection: Jewish Student Connection uses a public-school based club model as a catalyst for educating, engaging, and helping Jewish and non-Jewish teens feel a sense of belonging by providing experiential student-led programming and mentorship opportunities. JSC promotes Jewish programming and relationship building for over 600 teens in 17 public high schools. Teens today are stretched thin and pulled in many directions and JSC meets teens where they are with a low barrier to entry. JSC creates an inclusive, welcoming environment for teens to gather weekly, providing social connections, mentorship, and opportunities to engage in meaningful Jewish experiences while eating pizza or bagels. These experiences support teens during a critical period of their identity development. In addition, JSC is positioned to help students, teachers, and administrators combat antisemitism at public high schools in Colorado.

About the Joyce Zeff Israel Study Tour: For over fifty years, IST has helped Jewish Coloradans connect to Israel and their Jewish heritage and history. IST is the oldest community trip in the country taking teens to Israel and combines extraordinary adventure, exceptional leaders with years of experience, and a commitment to education and Jewish values. IST is open to all incoming high school seniors who live in or are connected to the Colorado Jewish community. Every month prior to departure, participants gather to learn about Israel, themselves, and start their Israel journey with peers.



## **Primary Responsibilities:**

- Mentor JSC student club leaders to help them guide, plan, and implement teen-led programs
- Attend and lead all in-person or virtual programs for daily JSC clubs and monthly IST programs
- Organize weekly club materials and food in coordination with other JSC staff and student leaders that inspire Jewish pride, identity, and values
- Implement JSC mentorship program, building and maintaining relationships with leaders and students through weekly one-on-one meetings
- Work closely with five shinshinim (Israeli teen emissaries), who attend every club and IST program
- Manage database information and grant logistics for IST
- Manage JSC data tracking, surveys, and communication systems
- Recruit and market IST program to high school juniors
- Manage JSC and IST social media accounts
- Travel to Poland and Israel with the teen group for 4-5 weeks during the summer

## **Minimum Qualifications**

- Bachelor's degree
- Experience working and connecting with high school teens (preferably Jewish teens)
- Strong Jewish and Israel experiential education background

## **Other Requirements**

- Demonstrates JEWISHcolorado core values:
  - Effective collaboration
  - Open and respectful communication
  - Reliability and accountability
  - Critical thinking, innovation, and creativity
  - O Being a good ambassador for the organization
- A self-starter and charismatic personality with the ability to work independently and in a team
- A strong work ethic and ability to take calculated risks and learn from successes and failures
- Passionate about working with high school students and nurturing the next generation of Jewish leaders
- · Ability to organize and manage multiple clubs, schedules, and projects simultaneously
- Daily use of a personal car to travel to high school programs (mileage reimbursed)
- Experience working with Microsoft 365 and Instagram
- Experience traveling to Israel

<u>Start Date:</u> January 2026, 37.5-hour per week, exempt, in-person. This position requires regular weekday work hours as well as some night and weekend programming, community-partnered programming, and active participation in programs that may sometimes occur outside of a traditional work schedule.

<u>Salary</u>: \$57,000 per year. Benefits include vacation, sick leave, FSA, HSA, HRA, health, vision, dental, disability, life insurance, gym membership, 401(k) match.

**To Apply**: Please forward a resume and cover letter to JFeiger@JEWISHcolorado.org.