

USY ANTI-BULLYING STATEMENT

Ahavath Torah Congregation, Temple Beth Am, Temple Beth Emunah

No matter if we ourselves have committed the act of bullying, witnessed bullying, or have been the victim of bullying, we adamantly believe that bullying is not justified by any means. This includes physical bullying, verbal bullying, bullying by relationship, and bullying by means of technology including texting, facebooking, emailing, and more. In the Torah it says to love your neighbor as you love yourself. As a group of young Jewish leaders, we have the unique opportunity to heed the words of our Torah, and lead our friends in the fight against bullying.

We urge you to take the following Anti-Bullying statement to heart, as we hope you will support this not only when you attend USY events, but also in your everyday lives. By supporting this statement, you are agreeing to make USY a safe place for all Jewish children and teenagers.

The statement reads as follows:

We agree USY is accepting of all Jewish children and teens, no matter their shape or size, no matter their sexual preference, no matter their hobbies, and no matter their political views. We stand together as a chapter, in accordance with Jewish law, to say that all individuals are of value and worthy of respect. Every member of USY deserves to be able to enjoy USY as a safe and secure environment – free from intimidation, threat, or harm from any other person. We ask you to join us to take the necessary measures to make USY a safe and bully-free environment for all of our USYers.

Print Name: _____
USYer

Signature: _____ Date: _____
USYer

Print Name: _____
Parent/Guardian

Signature: _____ Date: _____
Parent/Guardian