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and federation lay leaders and professionals gathered for three days to network, communicate, learn and inspire in order to strengthen, professionalize and promote a Jewish day school education for every day school child across the world.

Karen Ransenberg, the president of the board of directors of CJDS, Jane Herson, a parent and CJDS board member, Mandy Difilippo, assistant director, and Mariashi Groner, Director of CJDS attended the conference in Chicago during the week of February 5.

Creative, out-of-the-box tuition models are the latest and one could hear lots of discussion on how to make a Jewish day school education accessible to families with an income that falls through the cracks of those families who qualify for financial aid and those families who can afford a private school tuition. CJDS is deep into this discussion too and is actively involved in meeting the needs of these families.



Jane Herson, Mariashi Groner, Karen Ransenberg, and Mandy Difilippo at the Prizmah Conference.

When you see the level of excellence set forth in the workshops, plenary speeches, and exhibits, you know that you are in the presence of something great. Truly progressive, state of the art, and forward thinking models and methods of education were there for us to learn from and experience. But, it is an even more gratifying, heartwarming, and validating to see how sophisticated and advanced we are at CJDS both at the board and school level. We are determined, however, to reach even higher, never being satisfied with "good enough." Our students depend on that and we



CJDS first graders celebrated their first 100 days in school by dressing up as old men and women.



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