



California K-12 Parent Quotes

"All children deserve to feel respected, safe and protected in their schools, and there needs to be accountability within the LAUSD system to stop anti-Semitism wherever it's seen, especially if it's promoted by teachers who are responsible to protect students. Watching my son navigate these challenges has broken my heart, as he refuses to speak about his Jewish heritage and wear his Jewish star anymore at school. This is more than just a lawsuit for our family. It's about helping to create a safer future for all Jewish students so that no other student feels unprotected in the future," said **Melissa Alexander, a Los Angeles middle school parent.**

"I chose to be a part of this lawsuit because I am afraid for the future my children will face after generations are allowed to be indoctrinated with antisemitism and anti-Americanism in our classrooms. I chose to fight for Jewish Civil Rights for the many people, in the past and in the future, who are not able to," said **Ivy Chesser, a Campbell high school parent.**

"We are joining this suit because our child felt unsafe expressing their Jewish identity in the public school after an adult teacher was permitted to display anti-Jewish, anti-Israel, and anti-American materials in the classroom. When the teacher set that tone, it signaled to students that hostility toward Jewish identity was acceptable—and that is exactly what happened as other students joined in. No child should ever be put in a position where they feel they must hide who they are in order to feel safe," said **Mike Rosenthal, a Los Angeles high school parent.**

"The impact of antisemitism is immediate and long lasting. While painful, sharing our daughter's story is necessary so that others can see the pervasiveness of antisemitism and school failures to protect Jewish children. This cycle of hatred cannot be changed with silence or inaction. We and our daughter hope that speaking up and taking action will help shape a future that is safer for all Jewish students and their families," said **Jane Smith, parent at a San Bernardino middle school.**