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## **MJF HELPS SCHOOLS NAVIGATE COVID-19 SAFETY CHALLENGES**

The Max and Anita Karl Jewish Community Campus houses several of our Jewish community's most beloved Jewish institutions. The North Building is home to three of our Jewish schools: Bader Hillel Academy, Jewish Beginnings Lubavitch Preschool, and Milwaukee Jewish Day School. The Milwaukee Jewish Federation owns and operates this campus for the benefit of the entire Jewish community.

The schools rapidly pivoted in the spring to begin delivering exceptional education to their students remotely. **A far bigger challenge proved to be planning for the return to school in the fall. MJF was there to help – in our roles as funder, community planner, property manager, and safety experts.**

**Over the summer, and in conjunction with the North Shore Health Department, we helped each school plan how to safely return in a way that made sense for the unique needs of their students and families and contributed to the safety of the other schools operating in the same facility.**



Left: Ari Friedman, MJF's Director of Security and Community Properties, in the North Building lunchroom overseeing distribution of PPE. Right: Student at Milwaukee Jewish Day School returns to in person learning in September 2020.

- Invested **\$30,000 in upgrades** to the building at no cost to the schools.
- Created **physical separation** between the of schools including changing the flow of traffic through the buildings, enabled separate access doors, and are even using separate cleaning crews.
- Upgraded the **building-wide air filtration system** to further reduce the possible spread of disease.
- Installed **75 touchless hand sanitizer stations**, touchless water fountains, and other equipment.
- Negotiated a discounted rate for purchasing **PPE** and provided a free, three-month supply to each school including gallons of hand sanitizer, gloves, masks, thermometers and signage.
- Installed **Plexiglas separators** around the reception areas of the schools.



Reception area enclosed in a Plexiglas shield at Bader Hillel Academy



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