

Jewish News

'Anti-Semitism' term foreign to most Americans



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Shapiro: AJC surveys reveal 'disturbing lack of awareness'

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The American Jewish Committee released the results of its first State of Anti-Semitism in America Report Oct. 26, and after sampling more than 1,300 Jewish adults and

1,000 general population adults across the nation, the AJC discovered the two groups' opinions and knowledge differ greatly on various aspects of anti-Semitism.

Results showed while 88% of Jewish Americans believe anti-Semitism is a national problem, 25% of the general population is

unsure of what anti-Semitism means and 21% have never heard the term before, according to the surveys.

Of the Jewish population, 51% said they believe anti-Semitism is somewhat of a problem

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▲ The Circle Team sits on the steps of the former Park Synagogue and reacts to people waving at them as they drive down East 105th Street in Cleveland Oct. 25. | CJN Photo / McKenna Corson

GOING BACK TO GLENVILLE

Virtual Friendship Circle walk finds success in return to old Jewish neighborhood

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Instead of hundreds of community members gathering together at a starting line for Friendship Circle of Cleveland's 11th annual My Walk 4 Friends, more than 500 people created their own 2-mile route to separately participate in the organization's annual

fundraiser Oct. 25.

The walk, normally held over Labor Day Weekend, was altered due to the COVID-19 pandemic, but despite numerous changes, the fundraiser raised more money on its walk day than in its history due to a first-ever dollar-for-dollar grant matched by Pam and Craig Kahn

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How day schools are studying for 2020 election

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As Americans are becoming accustomed to new ways of voting during the COVID-19 pandemic, students at Jewish day schools in Northeast Ohio and Central Ohio are engaged in learning about the election process in different ways. The CJN spoke with educators around the state about how students have been learning about candidates and issues ahead of the Nov. 3 election.

CHAVIVA HIGH SCHOOL

Girls at Chaviva High School in Cleveland Heights have been studying topics rather than candidates.

"Our goal in U.S. Government at Chaviva is not to look at whether one candidate is 'good' or 'bad' because this is often determined by our family life, or other intentional or unintentional biases that many of the students are still in the process of recognizing on an individual basis," said Magdalena Lucas, history and government teacher at the

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