

Dear Friends,

On behalf of the Center for Initiatives in Jewish Education, I am pleased to have this opportunity to congratulate this evening's worthy honorees, Dr. Cindy Dolgin, Diane and Howard Wohl, and your past presidents.

CIJE, is proud of our long-time collaboration and partnership with Schechter School of Long Island. Together we aim to enhance and enrich the education of thousands of students in many different areas. Your theme this evening, "Celebrating bur Past, Inspiring the Future" perfectly depicts the relationship which CIJE has had with SSLI. We are very proud of our past accomplishments and look forward to inspiring continued success for many years to come.

CIJE Strengthens and enriches general studies and STEM education in more than one hundred eighty schools throughout the United States. We are working with schools to help educate a generation of innovators, critical thinkers and leaders. We are preparing young men and women to face the rigors and challenges that lie ahead. SSLI participates in the CIJE innovative programs, which include educational technology, STEM, scientific and biomedical engineering and ongoing staff development.

It is my pleasure to congratulate past president, Ira Balsam, who has been a great friend of CIJE and advocate for Jewish education. Ira's hard work and commitment serve as a beacon to countless Jewish leaders.

Finally, to the Guest of Honor, Dr. Gindy Dolgin, CIJE is truly pleased to join in this most well deserved tribute to you as a creative and innovative educator and administrator par excellence. You certainly make a significant difference in the lives of hundreds of young people each day.

May you all continue to inspire the future while learning from and celebrating the past.

Rest wishes

Jason Cury

President

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