

Maccabi Testimonials

Eric Katz

As a proud father of two children both of whom each participated in the Maccabi games for 4 years with the MetroWest delegation, and as a former MetroWest Maccabi baseball and softball coach for 8 years, I unequivocally endorse the Maccabi games as an overwhelming positive experience for our Jewish youth. The lives of my children, and my life as well, have been greatly enriched by participating in the athletic, cultural and social events offered by the Maccabi experience. Maccabi is much more than simply the “Jewish Olympics” for teens. The weeklong program allows our kids to bond and discover the importance of our faith and heritage through participation in a variety of programs. Our kids are housed with other Jewish athletes from around the country and the world with local families that open up their homes and their hearts to our kids. The thrill of athletic competition, the fulfillment of performing Tzedakah, the excitement of socializing and making new friends – that will last a lifetime -- are all part of the Maccabi Games. I strongly encourage all Jewish teens, no matter what their athletic skill level, to get involved and go to the Games!

Chuck & Shelly Berger

The Maccabi experiences our son Justin had in both Austin, Texas and Detroit, Michigan were amazing. We recommend the JCC Maccabi Games to all young Jewish athletes!



Alexa Katz

2006 Phoenix – Softball • 2007 Houston – Softball • 2008 Detroit – Soccer • 2009 Mid Westchester - Soccer
The Maccabi Games truly make a big world seem like one close-knit community. I will never forget traveling to Budapest, Hungary while I was studying abroad in college. I thought back to my third year at the Maccabi Games in 2008, where I met a Hungarian boy who played soccer for the Budapest delegation. I hadn't spoken to him in 6 years, but I connected with him over Facebook when I was in town and we met for a meal! Such an incredible feeling to be part of a global family for the rest of your life.