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Mission

After School Care at the JCC aims to serve our community by building caring relationships among children and adults while encouraging them to develop their interests and expand their abilities. We strive to provide enriching activities in a safe, clean and mindful environment. We hope to create memorable experiences while being the link between school and home.

Goals

- Create a safe and fun environment where children can develop friendships and explore new ideas.
- Help children to develop empathy for others and learn to accept people's differences.
- Build self-confidence in children by helping them to expand their abilities and discover how their actions impact their relationships with others.
- Offer a variety of social, recreational, cultural and community service activities.
- Provide time for intellectual and academic pursuits, including offering homework help and special interest activities that expand on school experiences.
- Teach Jewish values and traditions to children in order for them to understand their importance in and responsibility to our community and the world.

Times of Operation

Held at the Jewish Community Center in Harrisburg, PA, this program is geared for children in Kindergarten through 5th grade.

After school hours are from 3:45 p.m. through 6:00 p.m.

We typically offer inservice days when schools are closed. As we are part of the JCC, we do close for both religious and secular holidays throughout the year. Please check our calendar for up to date information.

Minimum number of children needed to hold After School Care and Vacation Day Programs.
Call 717-236-9555 for availability.

Transportation

From School: Transportation from school to the JCC is provided by Susquehanna Township School District. A staff member will greet the bus each day and escort the students to the After School Care Room.

End-of-Day Pick Up

- Students may be picked up any time before 6pm
- Late fees will be charged when pick up occurs after 6:00 p.m., \$1 per minute

If your child will not be in attendance for Before or After Care, please contact Macy Deskiewicz at m.deskiewicz@jewishfedhbg.org.

Tuition

After School Care- \$225/month (members) \$325 (non-members)

In-Service Half Day - \$45 (members) \$55 (non-members)

In-Service Full Day - \$70 (members) \$85 (non-members)

- Payment is due on the 1st day of each month and can be done electronically.
- If payment is not received by the 1st day of the month, a \$30 surcharge will be applied.
- Any changes in the enrollment schedule should be approved in advance by contacting Macy Deskiewicz at m.deskiewicz@jewishfedhbg.org.
- No children will be able to attend on a per diem basis.
- If you need a partial week option, please contact Macy for pricing.

Snacks

The JCC will provide a kosher snack.

Health & Medication

*In order to help us prevent the spread of illness among our staff and children, please keep sick children at home. In a typical year, **we are required to exclude sick children with the following symptoms or signs of illness for 24 hours.** We will call you to pick up your child when:*

1. **There is a fever of above 100 degrees.** If your child develops a fever, he or she must be fever free, without fever medication, for 24 hours before returning to our program.
2. **There is diarrhea or vomiting.**

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3. **It's a contagious situation** such as strep throat, viral blisters (chicken pox), impetigo, conjunctivitis or lice. These illnesses must be treated for 24 hours before the child returns to our care.

While we have modified our COVID-19 protocols in consultation with our medical advisory team, the CDC, and JCCA and are no longer taking temperatures or asking health questions on a daily basis, we still ask you to keep your child at home if they are exhibiting any symptoms. Sick children will not be allowed to attend our Before or After Care program. Thanks for your understanding and cooperation

Personal Property

We ask that children refrain from bringing personal electronics equipment to our program. The JCC is not responsible for lost or missing items. Please check our lost and found regularly.

Outdoor Play

Children will be taken outside every day, except when outdoor conditions are too extreme for safe outdoor exposure (i.e., poor air quality, dangerous temperatures). Please be sure that children wear appropriate clothing for whatever weather conditions are expected that day - warm, cold, rainy, etc.

Guidelines for Behavior

Our goal is to have all of the students enjoy time together during our Before/After Care program. We will provide:

- meaningful, engaging activities
- a sense of belonging
- the ability for students to express themselves

We expect:

- students to treat each other and their staff members with respect and kindness
- students to cooperate, be able to stay with their group, and refrain from behavior that threatens the safety of others.

Discipline Policy

If students cannot treat people with respect and cooperate, a verbal warning will be given. We will encourage positive behaviors.

Parents will be notified by phone or in person if the negative behavior continues. Together, we will work as a team to create appropriate consequences for the student's behavior. If the student's behavior continues to be disruptive or threatening, we may need to discuss suspension from the program. Our goal will be to help the student succeed in the program, however, we will need the parents to work with us to ensure everyone's safety and well-being.

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Parents/Guardians are required to inform the JCC in writing of any special circumstances that may affect the child's ability to participate fully and to stay within the guidelines of acceptable behavior - including behavioral problems, psychological, medical or physical conditions. In these circumstances, one-on-one counselors, provided by parents/guardians, are welcome in our program to help assist the child to participate and follow our behavior expectations.

PLEASE COMPLETE FORM ON FOLLOWING PAGE

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Child(ren)'s Name: _____

Parent's Name: _____

I have read the Before & After School Care Parent Handbook. I understand these policies and procedures and agree to abide by them.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

IEP/EFSP

In order that we may know your child fully we ask that if your child has an IEP or IFSP that we may have a copy for the center's records. This will aid us in giving your child the opportunity to have the best team effort in evaluating his/her developmental progress and planning how to give your child the best learning experience possible. Also, if you're child does not have but should need to obtain an IEP/IFSP in the future that we will be given a copy at that time.

Signature: _____ Date: _____