



Dear JCC Preschool Families,

We are happy to announce that we will begin to re-open Monday, June 8th! The health and safety of our families and staff remain our top priority. We have a new set of policies and procedures based on recommendations from the CDC and new licensing regulations. We are confident that we can provide high quality programming in a nurturing environment, while still following strict protocols of cleaning and sanitizing and social distancing.

One of the major changes to our school is the limitation of adults in the building and in classrooms. We will have small numbers of children in every classroom - no more than 10 people, including the teachers. The same teachers will be with the same group the entire day - no classes will be combining and no teachers will switch rooms. This greatly reduces the number of children who can attend, while still needing the same number of teachers. Due to the additional expenses incurred for cleaning and to accommodate the new ratios, there will be a COVID-19 Supplemental monthly fee of \$100 per child to address about 25% of the loss to our budget.

Following is a summary of the changes for our JCC Preschool programming this summer:

- We will only offer 5-day full-day programming with limited hours. To stagger drop off and pick up and to address changes in licensing staffing requirements, families will be assigned 8:30am - 4:30pm or 9am - 5pm.
- The first week of June, classes will be assigned and teachers will participate in professional development and set up rooms. Through Zoom, classes will meet for Visiting Day on Friday, June 5th. Teachers will show the classrooms and share some of the routines and activities that children can expect.
- Temperature and health check will be conducted before all people - children and staff - enter the JCC Preschool building. Only JCC Preschool staff and children will be permitted to enter the building. Parents will remain in their cars and teachers will walk children to their classrooms.
- **To confirm that you will be sending your child, click [here](#) to register for the COVID-19 supplement by Tuesday, May 26th.** (You will get a *Schedule Conflict* warning during registration. Click on the *Ignore Conflict* checkbox at the end of the warning to continue.) Limited spaces are available on a first come, first served basis. Spaces will be offered to currently enrolled 5-day full-time full summer. All other 12 month families will be switched to 10 month. If more spaces are available, we will offer to other enrolled families who are interested in switching to full-time.
- There will not be a penalty for switching from 12-month to 10-month (beginning in August.)

In addition, we will be implementing the following changes to meet health needs:

- Intensify cleaning, sanitization, and disinfection.
- Encourage social distancing through increased spacing, small groups and no mixing between groups.
- Promote healthy hygiene practices such as hand washing and employees wearing a face mask.
- Adjust activities and the classroom environment to limit sharing of items such as toys, belongings, supplies, and equipment.

More detailed information about our protocols will be sent to families who enroll this summer. **Please join us for a Zoom meeting on Friday, May 22nd at 4:30 pm for more information about re-opening and teaching in early childhood settings during a pandemic.** Click [here](#) to join the meeting.

We look forward to seeing you soon!

-The JCC Preschool Staff



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