

PARENT INVOLVEMENT ACTIVITIES

When your child joins the PJCC Preschool, we welcome and support the entire family! Monthly Parent Meetings provide a forum to meet with the Preschool Director and plan community events. An informative Parent Education Workshop series is facilitated by a consultant from Parents Place. We also offer Jewish holiday information and discussion groups.



Here's what PJCC Preschool parents have to say:

"My son's teachers are loving and wonderful. We can see the huge strides in his verbal and social skills since he started the program."

"I like the experienced teachers, good curriculum and caring environment."

"The balance of tremendous creativity and traditional love and structure make this class a wonderful experience for our child."



learning

Joshua's Corner Early Childhood Library

Joshua's Corner Early Childhood Library is available for special story times and for checking out books to enjoy at home. Visitors will find a variety of age-appropriate books for young children, families and teachers. The library features a Judaic section, parenting resources and activities including "story time" with puppets, big books and flannel board stories, special holiday displays and volunteers who read to children. Please drop by and see the library built with love.

The Peninsula Jewish Community Center was established in 1948 and partners with various organizations around the Peninsula to help build a more caring and connected community. The PJCC offers life-enhancing programs for people of all ages, faiths and backgrounds. For more information, visit www.pjcc.org or call 650.212.PJCC (7522).

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Early Childhood Education Center



A PRESCHOOL COMMUNITY

The PJCC Preschool offers a creative, values-oriented, educational environment that is open to the entire community. The PJCC Preschool staff is an experienced group of dedicated early childhood professionals, who combine a strong educational background with a love and appreciation for young children. They respect each child, supporting their personal growth and development as an individual and as a member of the social group. Our specialists in music and physical education greatly enrich the program.

PHILOSOPHY

The PJCC Preschool offers children a head start in succeeding academically and socially. Open to children ages one through five of all faiths and backgrounds, they will enjoy a curriculum that cultivates positive childhood experiences through **social, cognitive and physical development**. They also learn about values, including tolerance, kindness, charity and respect.

Recognizing that young children develop at their own rate, our preschoolers engage in individualized activities that challenge and stimulate learning in a warm and secure environment.

Social Development includes building self-esteem, social interaction, self-control, conflict resolution skills, self-help skills, Jewish cultural understanding and appreciation of diversity.

Cognitive Development includes early literacy, phonics, science exploration, music, numbering, speech and language development, creative arts and crafts and kindergarten readiness.

Physical Development includes motor development, personal hygiene, nutrition, safety, sports readiness, music and movement.

education



imagination

PROGRAMS

Call to learn about our nine month preschool program with an optional summer camp! Let the PJCC Preschool meet your personal needs with a customized schedule available for as little as three hours to as much as full-time, 7:30 am – 6:00 pm.

K'TON TON (LITTLE PEOPLE): Ages 2 – 3

Children enjoy a secure and caring environment where the process of separation from parents is supported. Each day offers a balance of active and quiet activities which match and stimulate developmental needs. Time is planned for exploration and experimentation, emphasizing the experience and not the final product. Toilet teaching is incorporated into the program.

KESHET (RAINBOW): Ages 3 – 4

This theme-based curriculum allows children to develop social and language skills through a variety of interactive activities, such as painting, drawing, music and movement. Gross and fine motor development is stimulated with an emphasis on listening and group skills. Children also learn about themselves, the world around them and the richness of Jewish life in an atmosphere of love, joy, respect and security.

KEE TOV (SOMETHING GOOD): Ages 4 – 5

Establishing a strong foundation in the early years is a critical component to becoming a successful student. This program focuses on early literacy development and prepares children for the more structured reading and math they will encounter in kindergarten. Children continue to develop their social, problem-solving and conflict resolution skills.

KEFF (FUN): Ages 3 – 5

Keff (Fun) offers the same quality classes and staff in the afternoons as our morning program. Age appropriate classes for 3-year-olds meet Monday, Wednesday and Friday and 4-year-olds meet Monday through Friday from 1:15 – 4:15 pm. There is also an option to extend the afternoon until 6:00 pm.

Stay and Play: Ages 2 – 5

This program offers fun-filled afternoons for children needing extended care. Activities include art, science, cooking and playground time. A two hour nap period is available.

HUGS & BLESSINGS: Ages 1 – 2

These unique programs introduce toddlers to group activities with the security and support of parent participation. They are geared towards developmental levels and interests. All programs offer age appropriate materials and activities, such as music, arts and crafts and indoor and outdoor play. Please ask about our Movers and Shakers and Tiny Tots classes!

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Music Together: Ages 1 month – 4 years

This is a nationally recognized program designed for children and a parent! Weekly classes build on a child's natural enthusiasm for music and movement and include songs and instrumental jam sessions. Ten week sessions meet weekly for 45 minutes and include 2 CDs and a song book.

Enrichment Programs: Ages 3 – 5

These are special-interest classes that meet weekly after lunch during the school year. The three ten week sessions introduce children to fun and interesting subjects such as cooking, soccer, mini hoops, art, science and drama.

friendship



Camp Yeladim

Discover the fun of winter, spring and summer camps during school vacations! Please call to request our exciting Summer Camp brochure, available in February.

An Ethical Start

This is a program based on the classic Jewish text of *Pirkei Avot* (Ethics of the Fathers and Mothers). Our specially trained staff creates an environment of hands-on discovery and discussion, encouraging children to make decisions based not on impulse, but on Jewish ethics and values, such as respect, responsibility, kindness and community.



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