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KidZone

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Welcome to KidZone!

Kindergarten- 6th Grade

Monday-Friday | 3:30 PM – 6:00 PM

About the Program:

KidZone is a fun, educational, and safe destination for your child's afterschool needs. We offer a healthy, kosher snack every day, a homework room with a veteran teacher Monday through Thursday, and special interest activities such as cooking, art, yoga, gymnastics, and tennis daily. We also bring your child to and from any class they are registered for at the J that occurs during KidZone hours.

Transportation:

We use our own J busses (seatbelts on bus) to pick up children from local schools: Beren Academy, Beth Yeshurun Day School, Shlenker School, Condit Elementary, Herod Elementary, Horn Elementary, Kolter Elementary, Lovett Elementary, Parker Elementary, Trafton, Meyerland Middle School and Emery-Weiner. School pick-ups are depending on registration, and we must have at least 3 children register to pick up at a school.

Transportation ONLY (3rd grade and up- Ideal for Middle Schoolers)

Transportation only is available for children with classes at the J that starts before 4:30 or for 7th graders and older who need a safe way to get to their after school activities. The "Transportation ONLY" option includes J bus pick-up at school and drop off at the J. The parent/guardian must pick their child up from class once it is over.

J Membership

J Membership is required to participate in the KidZone program and must remain current the entire time your child is enrolled in KidZone. A \$150 registration fee is required at time of registration for KidZone and Transportation options along with a final payment plan. All KidZone dates are aligned with and could change due to the Houston Independent School District (HISD) calendar.

KidZone Withdrawal Policy

Parents must notify the KidZone Director with intent to withdraw. The notification must be in writing and AT LEAST 30 DAYS prior to the actual withdrawal date in

order to receive a refund. All refunds are effective the first day of the following month with the 30 days written notice.

ADD ON HALF DAYS \$175

Available when HISD has noon dismissal. Includes 5 days: September 21, November 9, January 18, and February 15.

SCHOOLS OUT VACATION CAMP PACKAGE \$1,600

Register for the vacation camp package and receive the following:

- 5 days of KidZone Camp (Aug 20-24)
- 3 days of Thanksgiving Break Camp (Nov. 19-21, Camp done at 3:30on 11/21)
- 9 days of Winter Break Camp (Dec 21, 24, 26-28, Dec 31, Jan 2-4)
- 5 days of Spring Break Camp (Mar 11-15)
- 2 School's Out Days (Jan 21 and April 19, Camp closes at 3:30 on 4/19)

The Vacation Camp Package is available to any child with a current J membership and non-refundable once purchased. It cannot be prorated and is aligned with the HISD calendar. Some dates may change based on the HISD calendar. AM and PM care are included. This package guarantees care for your child from 7:30am-6:00pm (unless otherwise noted above). This package is valued at approximately \$2,100– a savings of over \$400.

Shabbat

Each Friday, we observe Shabbat (Sabbath) by saying the blessings and sharing challah (bread). On Shabbat, we celebrate a good week of learning, fun, and friendships and look forward to a day of peace and harmony.

Classes

The J also offers a variety of classes such as dance, theater, tennis, gymnastics, art, etc. KidZone participants are eligible for a 25% discount on classes (this does not include gymnastics team fees or JCCS fees). You must register for classes with Kathy in the camp office to receive discount. KidZone staff will take your child to, and pick up from class, as long as it is during KidZone hours.

****Important Notice:** If your child is registered in a class at the J, they may not be able to fully participate in ALL of the KidZone activities, depending on their scheduled class time, arrival, or departure. IT IS THE PARENT'S RESPONSIBILITY to

inform the KidZone Staff of any extracurricular activities, including the class title, day and time, and the location of the class.

KidZone Fees

You must enroll your child(ren) in KidZone & Transportation by the semester but pricing is charged monthly via Electronic Funds Transfer. You are welcome to pay for the semester up front. Charges will begin in September 2018.

KidZone Monthly Price:

- 1 day/week: \$112
- 2 day/week: \$208
- 3 day/week: \$288
- 4 day/week: \$352
- 5 day/week: \$400

With the monthly KidZone fees, you are entitled to 25% off after-school enrichment classes on the same day as your child is enrolled in KidZone. This does not apply to gymnastics team fees or JCCS fees. You must register for these classes with Kathy to ensure the discount is applied.

Transportation Only Monthly Price

(Doesn't include snack, access to homework room, or supervision beyond ensuring child gets to enrichment class. Parent/guardian must pick up child from class)

- 1 day/week: \$60
- 2 day/week: \$112
- 3 day/week: \$156
- 4 day/week: \$192
- 5 day/week: \$220

****These fees do not include days that KidZone is closed**

- Rosh Hashanah: Sep 10- 11
- Yom Kippur: Sept 18-19
- School Vacation: Sep 3, Dec 21, 24-28. Jan 1-4, Jan 21, Mar 11-15, Apr 19, May 27
- Early dismissal Days: Sep 21, Oct 19, Nov 9, Jan 18, Feb 15

KidZone & Transportation *Brit* (Covenant)

We all have responsibilities to make sure that KidZone is successful for everyone. We want to work together to make sure that our kids are safe, having fun, getting their homework done, and getting to their activities on time. We share this *Brit* with you so that we can work together to have the best year ever! Do not hesitate to contact us with any questions or concerns.

J's Children & Camping Department Responsibilities

- Communicate effectively & efficiently
- Keep the kids, staff, and bus drivers safe
- Ensuring kids have fun!
- Facilitate activities, giving snack, and making sure kids get to their activities
- Keeping our environment clean

Parent Responsibilities

- Maintain current JCC Membership
- Complete all forms prior to first day
- Provide current information (phone/address/medical)
- Provide staff with information about major events in child's life that may affect child's behavior and/or attitude
- Provide KidZone staff with information about classes which child is enrolled and any changes in their class schedule
- Inform KidZone on any day child will not attend or ride bus by 1:30PM.
- Inform KidZone, in writing, if anyone other than parent will pick child up
- Adult picking up child from KidZone needs to sign child out
- Support staff in working with your child
- Attend meetings called by KidZone in regard to child/program
- Keep KidZone staff informed of school closure days in advance
- Pick up child by 6:00PM each day
- Agree to pay a late fee of \$1.00 per minute, after 6:00PM.

Child Responsibilities

- Meet the bus on time each day
- Check in directly from bus or upon arrival
- Be respectful of the JCC building by walking in the hallways

- Behave appropriately on bus, in building, and at all times
- Adhere to rules and regulations of program
- Exhibit group loyalty
- Take care of equipment and supplies
- Do not purchase snacks/drinks at the café or vending machine around the JCC
- Have fun! 😊