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on the Ed Parker Jewish Community Campus

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- All shower stalls are available for use and feature full length separating walls.

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(904) 730-2100 ext. 267

Hours:

Sun - Fri mornings | 9 am - 12 pm
 Mon - Thu evenings | 5 - 8 pm

- JCA Kid Kare is available for children 3 months to 9 years old.
- Kid Kare is offered on reservation basis.
- Space limited to 15 kids per shift.
- Kid Kare service is for a maximum of 90 minutes.
- Visit bit.ly/JCAKidKare to view our Kid Kare policies and make a reservation.

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JCA Member Code of Conduct The JCA is committed to providing a safe and welcoming environment for all members and guests. To promote safety and comfort for all, we ask individuals to act appropriately at all times when they are in our facility or participating in our programs. We expect persons using the JCA to behave in a considerate and responsible way and to respect the rights and dignity of other members, guests and staff. Our Code of Conduct outlines actions that are deemed inappropriate. These include but are not limited to: inappropriate attire—appropriate attire in keeping with the values of the JCA must be worn at all times; angry or vulgar language, including swearing, name-calling or shouting; physical contact with another person in any angry or threatening way; any demonstration of sexual activity or sexual contact with another person; harassment or intimidation by words, gestures, body language or any menacing behavior; theft or behavior that results in the destruction of property; carrying or concealing any weapons or devices or objects that may be used as weapons with the exception of law enforcement professionals; using or possessing illegal chemicals (drugs) on JCA property, in JCA vehicles or at JCA sponsored programs; using or possessing alcohol on JCA property, in JCA vehicles or at unsanctioned JCA sponsored programs; any other conduct of an inappropriate, threatening or offensive nature. Loitering is not permitted in or outside the JCA. Use of all tobacco products, smoking (including e-cigarettes) is not permitted in or outside the JCA. The JCA and its property is a smoke-free/ tobacco-free environment. The JCA is dedicated to the enhancement of Jewish identity and the continuity of Jewish life. A person or persons' act of proselytizing or teaching of non-Jewish principles in an attempt to convert members or guests is prohibited, and persons engaging in proselytizing will be required to leave the building and grounds. In addition, the JCA reserves the right to deny access or membership to the following persons: registered sex offenders; those accused/convicted of sexual abuse crimes; those accused/convicted of crimes relating to the sale/use/possession/transportation of narcotics, habit forming and/or dangerous drugs; those excessively or continuously using intoxicating beverages, narcotics or dangerous drugs. The JCA maintains a no tolerance policy concerning all of the above. Members and guests are encouraged to be responsible for their personal comfort and safety and to ask any person whose behavior threatens their comfort to refrain from that behavior. If a member or guest feels uncomfortable in confronting the person directly, they should report the behavior to a staff person or the manager on duty. Good personal hygiene, including the appropriate use of deodorant, is expected as a consideration to other members. JCA staff members are eager to be of assistance. Members and guests should not hesitate to notify a staff member if assistance is needed. In order to be able to carry out these policies, we ask that members and guests identify themselves to staff when asked. The Executive Team will investigate all reported incidents. Suspension or termination of JCA membership privileges may result from a determination by the Executive Team if in their discretion a violation of the JCA Member Code of Conduct has occurred.

Guest Policy

Members may bring only two guests at a time except for members bringing families. Guests must be accompanied by a member in good standing. Children who are guests must have an adult present to sign a waiver and be chaperoned by an adult if under 10. All guest passes must be purchased at the Reception Desk. Saturday guest passes must be purchased in advance. All guests must have guest passes. All visitors must present a photo ID.

Guest Pass Fee: **Adults:** \$10 each visit **Children/Teens (5 - 18):** \$5 each visit

Mandatory Swim Assessments

All children 12 and under must complete a 25-yard swim (without touching the bottom of the pool, grabbing the lane rope, floating on their back or requiring assistance) on their front (freestyle, breaststroke, etc.) and tread water for 45 seconds. If they pass the test, they are permitted to swim without flotation and receive a yellow neck band. Swimmers who do not complete the test will receive a red neck band and be required to wear a life jacket, have a parent/guardian in the water within arm's reach or choose not to swim. The JCA will supply neckbands to each child, which are to be kept and brought to the pool each time to swim. Replacement bands are available for \$5 each.

Unsupervised Children

The following policies ensure the safety of all JCA members:

- Children 9 years old and under must be under direct supervision (in sight and within close proximity) by an adult while at the JCA. Children must be brought to and picked up from class, Kid Kare or any JCA programs by an adult. All members age 10 and over entering the JCA must present a membership card.
- Children age 10 and up may be unaccompanied by an adult in the JCA except for the fitness area where children must be 13 years old to enter. It is not appropriate for children to gather in the lobby area or hallways of the JCA.

The JCA cannot be held responsible for members age 10 and over who attend the JCA and are not enrolled in an organized activity. In addition, children age 10 and up are expected to behave in a mature manner when in the building without parental supervision. Behavior that is disruptive and/or harmful to themselves or others may result in the suspension of independent privileges.

Food Policy

JCA is a kosher facility. Therefore no deliveries of food of any kind for members from take-out restaurants will be accepted. Food brought into the building from home, outside of a JCA program or preschool, must be consumed in either the courtyard or the outdoor pool area. Thank you for your cooperation.

Fire Alarm Policy

For your safety and welfare, you must evacuate the building when the fire alarm sounds. You will be notified by JCA personnel when it is safe to return to the facility. Thank you for your understanding and support.

Cancellation/Expiration Policy for Personal Training, Private Tennis and Swim Instruction

All participants registered for private tennis, swim or personal training sessions must give at least a 24-hour notice of cancellation for already scheduled sessions. Failure to properly cancel will result in a charge for that session at the established fee. All personal training sessions, private tennis lessons and private swim lessons will expire six months from the date of purchase. Fees paid for (expired) sessions/lessons are non-refundable and non-transferable.

Class Payment, Refund and Cancellation Policy

- All class and program fees must be paid before the beginning of the class. For one-time programs or classes, no refunds will be granted.
- 50% refund after first class; 25% refund after second class; no refund after third class (excludes childcare tuition and summer camp programs).
- Refund policies apply to all private training and lessons.
- The JCA reserves the right to cancel programs/classes not meeting the minimum required enrollment for circumstances beyond our control.

Shalom Friends,

As we all celebrate the beginning of a new calendar year, our community is still buzzing from the wonderful things we are accomplishing together and all that is yet to come for our Jewish Community Alliance.

Nicole Brown



Many thanks to Debbie Banks, Whitney Kuvin, the Jacksonville Jewish Cultural Arts Festival Committee, Heather, Rachel, and supporters, for bringing our festival events offsite in 2024! It was incredible that we could expand our reach to nearly every corner of the River City. We ventured downtown and beyond to enjoy the incredible storytelling talents of Jewish authors and filmmakers. Our annual festival shares our Jewish culture and values while promoting kindness and collaboration for a better tomorrow.

As another season approaches, our JCA staff members are busy putting the finishing touches on the programs they plan to enrich your entire family. Through events from our J Institute and upcoming J Experiences – I am so thrilled that we can share what we do throughout Jacksonville with new and familiar faces. You can learn more about all that is planned onsite and off starting on page 4.

I encourage you all to take this opportunity and mark your calendars to make sure you join us at our community-wide favorites in 2025. Thanks to the generosity of the Berman Family, the free annual Berman Family JCA Concert Series begins on Sun, Feb 16 with Violinist Oliver Neubauer and continues through April. You can read more about who is coming on page 5.

We are going *Jax to the Future* on Sat, Feb 22, 2025, and rumor has it, a DeLorean will be on hand to help us go back in time, while we dance the night away at the annual fundraiser this year. Kendall Sisisky Valliere has more details about what you should wear and all the fun being planned on page 15.

The Together Against Hate: Promoting Unity in Our Community partnership with the First Coast YMCA continues in 2025 with more notable speakers and conversations. I hope you will join us to make a visual stance against hate again this year, the Racing Against Hate 5K Run/Walk happens at the Winston Family YMCA on Sun, Feb 23 at 1 pm.

When I pick my twin boys up from After School, we love to stop and watch the crews at work in the Stein Family Courtyard. We are so lucky to have this front-row view to see the vision of our campaign committee come to life. Thank you to the members and staff for your patience and flexibility during this transformative time.

Remember, Every Brick Counts! For more information on how you can support the improvements and expansion throughout the JCA, visit jcajax.org/campaign. Together we are Building Our Future Together. I hope you are all as excited as my family is, to embark on this amazing time in JCA history.

I am humbled to serve this wonderful community,

Nicole S. Brown

Nicole Brown
Board Chair

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JCA HOLIDAY HOURS

December 25

Wed, Dec 25 8 am - 2 pm

New Year's Eve

Tue, Dec 31.5:30 am - 5 pm

New Year's Day

Wed, Jan 1 8 am - 2 pm

Passover

Sat, Apr 12 1 pm - 5 pm

Sun, Apr 13..... Closed

Mon, Apr 14.....1 - 9 pm

Fri, Apr 18.....5:30 am - 5 pm

Sat, Apr 19..... Closed

Sun, Apr 201 - 6 pm

JCA BUILDING HOURS

Sun 8 am - 6 pm

Mon – Thu5:30 am - 9 pm

Fri5:30 am - 5 pm

Sat.....1 - 6 pm



Heather Terrill

J Institute Director
(904) 730-2100 ext. 265



Scan the QR code to discover more about our J Institute programs.

Pottery

Learn the basics or fine tune your hand building or wheel throwing skills. Clay is provided. Craftsmanship, creativity, and an appreciation of the elements are emphasized.

Tue | 10 am

Session I: Jan 7, 14, 21, 28, Feb 4, 11, 18 and 25

Session II: Mar 11, 18, 25, Apr 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29

Thu | 6:30 pm

Session I: Jan 9, 16, 23, 30, Feb 6, 13, 20 and 27

Session II: Mar 13, 20, 27, Apr 3, 10, 17, 24 and May 1

\$225 | Valued member \$150

Price is per session

Traveling Diner Dinner Club

Delight your taste buds and enjoy great company as we experience Jacksonville's best restaurants.

Your meal is at your own expense. Registration is required.

Tue | 6 pm

Jan 7 or Mar 11

\$5 | Free for valued members

Open Game Play

Bring your friends and make new ones while playing Mah Jongg, Canasta or Rummikub. This is a weekly open play with no instructor. Gameboards are provided.

Thu | 1 - 3 pm

Starting Thu, Jan 9

Free to the community

Hanna Park Plant and Fungi Tour & Lunch

Embark on a ranger-guided nature walk in Hanna Park to learn about some of the native plants. Transportation is included; lunch is at your own expense.

Thu, Jan 16 | 9 am

\$23 | Valued member \$15



Rachel Sandler

J Institute Assistant Director,
Jewish Education
(904) 730-2100 ext. 271



Scan the QR code to discover more about our Jewish Culture/Education programs.

Hebrew 101

Have you always wanted to learn Hebrew or forgotten over the years? No Hebrew knowledge necessary; book purchase is required. Must register by Jan 15.

Mon | 7 - 8:30 pm

Jan 20 - Mar 24

No class Mar 3 and 17

\$150 | Valued member \$100

Jewish Yoga

Experience yoga through a Jewish lens with Paula Saraga and Justin Sakofs as an alternative *Shabbat* experience.

Sat | 8 am

Jan 25 | Congregation Ahavath Chesed (The Temple)

Feb 22 | Jacksonville Jewish Center (The Center)

Mar 29 | Congregation Ahavath Chesed (The Temple)

Free to the community

Let's Do Lunch

Meet us to socialize and dine.

Your meal is at your own expense.

Registration is required.

Fri | 11 am

Jan 31, Feb 28 or Mar 21

\$5 | Free for valued members

Ritz Theatre and Museum Tour & Lunch

Tour the Ritz Theatre & Museum and explore the rich heritage in Jacksonville. Transportation is included. Lunch is at your own expense.

Tue, Feb 4 | 9 am

\$23 | Valued member \$15

Flower Arranging

Celebrate *Tu B'Shevat*, the new year of the trees, by learning how to arrange flowers. Leave with the arrangement you create. Minimum enrollment required.

Wed, Feb 5 | 6 - 8 pm

Got Flowers Jax, 1814 Hendricks Ave

\$90 | Valued member \$60



JEWISH BOOK COUNCIL AUTHOR

Aleeza Ben Shalom: Matchmaker, Matchmaker

Streaming at the JCA

From professional dating coach and star of Netflix's hit *Jewish Matchmaking* comes a warm and wise guide to dating with purpose and finding love that will last. Aleeza Ben Shalom, will guide readers through her perspective on dating, revealing the surprising ways in which a person's dating habits directly influence their chances of finding lasting love.

Tue, Feb 11 | 12 pm

Free to the community



Jewish Singles Mixer

Are you 50+ and looking for friendship or love? Meet us for a night of fun and entertainment with modern big band music.

Mon, Mar 3 | 7 - 9 pm

Mudville Music Room

3105 Beach Blvd

\$10 cover at door

Uncomfortable Conversations with a Jew

Join our Israeli Community *Shaliach* Oren to discuss the book *Uncomfortable Conversations with a Jew*. Bring an open mind and be ready to participate and listen to the conversations.

Tue, Mar 4 | 7 pm

Free to the community

Brumos Collection Tour & Lunch

Explore this hidden gem in Jacksonville! The Brumos Collection is 35,000 square feet dedicated to the technology, innovation and historical significance of the world's finest automobiles. Transportation is included; lunch is at your own expense.

Thu, Mar 20 | 9 am

\$33 | Valued member \$22

VANDROFF ART GALLERY

For details on exhibiting or the upcoming artist schedule, call Heather at ext. 265 or email at heather.terrill@jcajax.org.

- Linda Chipperfield**
Jan 9 – Feb 5
- Elena Ohlander**
Feb 6 – Mar 5
- Annelies Dykgraaf**
Mar 6 – Apr 2



BERMAN FAMILY JCA CONCERT SERIES

The Jewish Community Alliance is proud to announce our featured artists in 2025 - Oliver Neubauer, Ziggy and Miles, and Chaeyoung Park. These extraordinary musicians perform in concert halls around the world and will soon take the stage in our Bessie Setzer Frisch Auditorium.

Please scan the QR code to visit jcajax.org/concert-series for more details and mark your calendars to join us. The Berman Family JCA Concert Series is free and open to the entire community thanks to the generosity of the Berman family.



Sun, Feb 16 | 3 pm

Oliver Neubauer, *Violin*

Praised for his uniquely beautiful playing and mature artistry, violinist Oliver Neubauer is quickly establishing himself as one of the most exciting young artists of his time.

First Prize Winner of the 2023 YCA Susan Wadsworth International Auditions and recipient of performance prizes from the Buffalo Chamber Music Society, Sunday Musicale (NJ), and the Stissing Center, Oliver is a YCA Jacobs Fellow and is managed worldwide by Young Concert Artists.



Sun, Mar 30 | 3 pm

Ziggy and Miles, *Guitar Duo*

“Australian guitarist brothers making history.” - The Age

Ziggy and Miles are two of their home country’s finest young musicians forging international careers. Their performances are known for their, “deeply considered musicianship, immaculate care and superlative technique.” - 5MBS

Winners of the 2023 YCA Susan Wadsworth International Auditions, the brothers are the first guitar duo and second guitarists to receive this prestigious award.



Sun, Apr 6 | 3 pm

Chaeyoung Park, *Piano*

Chaeyoung Park, First Prize Winner of the 2022 YCA Susan Wadsworth International Auditions and Finalist in the 2023 Rubinstein Piano Competition, is celebrated for her deeply expressive playing, praised as a pianist who, “does not play a single note without thought or feeling.” - New York Concert Review

Chaeyoung's diverse repertoire spans from French Baroque to contemporary works by composers like Unsuk Chin.



Scan to visit jcajax.org/concert-series for more details about the Berman Family JCA Concert Series. Save your seat today!





Mark Your Calendars!



JCA Globetrotters are going to Charleston, South Carolina, April 25 – 28. More information is coming soon! Email Heather with questions and for more details, heather.terrell@jcjax.org.



In a shared vision to unify our community, the Jewish Community Alliance (JCA) and First Coast YMCA are proud to announce the second year of our Together Against Hate partnership program. Our work continues this year as we build a more inclusive Northeast Florida through educational events.

United Against Hate: Identifying, Reporting, and Preventing Hate Crimes

The US Attorney's Office will share information on how to address the rising hate crimes happening across our country. Come at 6 pm to view the MOSH exhibit, Lives Eliminated, Dreams Illuminated.

Thu, Jan 23 | 7 pm
Museum of Science and History (MOSH), 1025 Museum Circle



The Rise of Jew-hatred and What's Being Done to Promote Change

The Anti-Defamation League (ADL) joins us to discuss the rise of Jew-hatred and what is being done to initiate change.

Tue, Jan 28 | 5:30 pm
Memorial United Methodist Church
601 Centre St., Fernandina Beach



Racing Against Hate 5K Run/Walk

A visual display of unity and camaraderie where hundreds of neighbors will gather.

Sun, Feb 23 | 1 pm
Winston Family YMCA
221 Riverside Avenue



R. Derek Black: The Klansman's Son

R. Derek Black joins us virtually to share their astonishing memoir of a childhood built on fear, growing up as the son of the Grand Wizard of the Ku Klux Klan (KKK), and how they broke free from this community of hate.

Thu, Mar 27 | 7 pm
Congregation Ahavath Chesed (The Temple), 8727 San Jose Blvd



CURIOUS CONVERSATIONS

Interfaith

Interfaith Center and OneJax start the conversation on how to build bridges and work together between religious communities.

Thu, Jan 23 | 10:30 am
Willow Branch – Jacksonville Public Library, 2875 Park Street



More details about the JCA and First Coast YMCA 2024-25 Together Against Hate series of FREE events and conversations will be shared on the Together Against Hate Facebook page.



Scan the QR code to visit [Facebook.com/TogetherAgainstHateJacksonville](https://www.facebook.com/TogetherAgainstHateJacksonville).

For questions, more information, or to get involved, please email TAH@jcjax.org.

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Monthly Member Mitzvah

January - Donate nonperishable foods for Souper Bowl of Caring to benefit the Max Block Food Pantry at the LJD Jewish Family & Community Services.

February - Sign the Racing Against Hate 5K Run/Walk Banner before Sun, Feb 23.

March - Donate prepacked individually wrapped snacks for *Mishloach Manot* that will be given to River Garden residents to celebrate *Purim*.

Please bring all **Monthly Member Mitzvah** donations to the Traditions Cart in the JCA lobby.



Teen Mitzvah Project Around Town

Tikkun Olam! Teens in Jacksonville, help us repair the world! Meet us for a light lunch at the JCA before we hop on the *Mitzvah Mobile* to go shopping to stock up the Fanny Landwirth Clothes Closet at the LJD Jewish Family & Community Services.

Sun, Jan 12 | 12:30 - 4:30 pm
Free to the community



Tu B'Shevat Seder

Join Rabbi Englander from The Temple to celebrate the new year of the trees! Come participate in a *seder* involving the fruits associated with Israel. Please register by Jan 31.

Tue, Feb 4 | 10:30 am
Congregation Ahavath Chesed (The Temple), 8727 San Jose Blvd
Free to the community

Tu B'Shevat Wine Tasting & Havdalah

Let us end *Shabbat* together with *Havdalah* and celebrate the new year of the trees with a wine tasting.
Sat, Feb 8 | 7 pm
Riverside Liquors & The Restaurant in Riverside, 1251 King St
\$18 per person



I ♥ Israel

Families are invited to learn about Israel with our Israeli Community *Shaliach* Oren Pery. This is in partnership with The Temple, PJ Library and The Jewish Federation & Foundation of Northeast Florida.

Sun, Feb 9 | 2 pm
Congregation Ahavath Chesed (The Temple), 8727 San Jose Blvd
Free to the community



Family Hamantaschen Bake

Bring your family to make your own hamantaschen for *Purim*. This is in partnership with Etz Chaim, PJ Library and The Jewish Federation & Foundation of Northeast Florida.

Sun, Mar 2 | 2 pm
Etz Chaim Synagogue, 10167 San Jose Blvd
Free to the community



Faye Hedrick

J Experience Coordinator
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Scan the QR code to discover more about our J Experience programs.



Our JCA is headed your way! Through a variety of time-tested, innovative, pop-up experiences, including health and wellness, education about Israel, and fun events surrounding our Jewish holidays, we are excited to bring JCA programming to your neighborhood.



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Sun, Jan 12 | 12:30 - 4:30 pm
Free to the community

Clergy, Coffee & Conversation

Together with interfaith clergy, we will provide insight and energy on topics from A (Aaron and advent) to Zionism. This program is in partnership with the Interfaith Center of Northeast Florida and other local houses of worship.

Thu, Jan 16 | 10 am
Beth El-The Beaches Synagogue
288 N. Roscoe Blvd, Ponte Vedra Beach
Free to the community



Jewish Heritage Night with the Jacksonville Icemen

Meet us to cheer on our local ice hockey team against the Florida Everblades! You might even hear a Chanukkah song or two sung by the Martin J. Gottlieb Day School Youth Choir during the second intermission. Purchase your tickets at bit.ly/JewishHeritageNight24 today!

Sat, Dec 14 | 7 pm
VyStar Veterans Memorial Arena, 300 A. Philip Randolph Blvd.
\$20 per person

Oy Yay - The Joys of Yiddish

We know you have the *shpilkes* waiting for the next session. We will be joined by facilitator, Rabbi Yaakov Fisch, at Ahava Cafe.

Wed, Jan 8 | 10 am
Ahava Cafe at UNF, 11271 Alumni Way
Free to the community



Lives Eliminated, Dreams Illuminated (LEDI) exhibition at MOSH

Join LEDI docent, Cecelia Cristol, who will guide us through the exhibition featuring stories of 23 women whose lives were eliminated by the Holocaust. She will share the original artwork by Lauren Bergman who reimagines these women and what their dreams may have looked like. This exhibition also includes original music composed by Ella Milch-Sheriff adding a new layer of meaning to the narration of these stories.

Wed, Jan 29 | 10 am
Museum of Science and History (MOSH)
1025 Museum Circle
Free to the community



Tu B'Shevat Tot Shabbat

Bring your little ones to celebrate the new year of the trees with breathing, stretching and a focus on togetherness. You will leave with a special keepsake to cherish for years to come. Location will be provided upon registration.

Fri, Jan 31 | 10 am
Free to the community

Tu B'Shevat Wine Tasting & Havdalah

Let us end *Shabbat* together with *Havdalah* and celebrate the new year of the trees with a wine tasting. Wine is an important part of the *Tu B' Shevat Seder*, we include four cups to symbolize the four seasons.

Sat, Feb 8 | 7 pm
Riverside Liquors & The Restaurant in Riverside, 1251 King St
\$18 per person

Be on the lookout!

**For More J Experiences
Coming Your Way!**

**That's a Novel Idea:
Book Discussions**

**Oy Yay:
The Joys of Yiddish**

Location information and updates about J Experience classes will be published on jcajax.org. If you have questions or have an idea about how the JCA could come your way, send Faye an email at faye.hedrick@jcajax.org.

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Scan to visit bit.ly/JCA-MaccabiGames





Natalia Fisher

Early Childhood Director
(904) 730-2100 ext. 242



Scan the QR code to discover more about our Early Childhood programs.



Cooking Around the World (3 - 6 yrs)

Join Ms. Renee in our child-centered kitchen to prepare and taste foods from countries around the world. Children will bring home a keepsake cookbook at the end of the session.

Tue | 3:30 - 4:15 pm

Session I: Jan 7, 14, 28, Feb 4, 11 and 18

Session II: Feb 25, Mar 4, 11, 18, 25, and Apr 1

\$105 | Valued member \$70



Holiday Cooking (3 - 6 yrs)

Celebrate Jewish holidays with a fun cooking class where children will use all five of their senses with Ms. Renée. Cost is per class.

Fri | 3:30 - 4:15 pm

Feb 7 | Tu B'Shevat

Mar 14 | Purim

\$23 | Valued member \$15



Parent & Me

Family Yoga (6 mos - 3 yrs)

Connect with your little ones as Ms. Gisela helps you work on focus, flexibility and large motor development.

Sun | 10 - 10:45 am

Jan 19, Feb 16 and Mar 16

Make Music (3 mos - 3 yrs)

Led by Ms. Jodi, this class is a joyful way to activate early brain development and connection through music, movement and playing rhythm instruments.

Mon | 11 - 11:45 am

Session I: Jan 6, 13, 27, Feb 3 and 10

Session II: Feb 24, Mar 3, 10, 17 and 24

Sensory Sensations (6 mos - 3 yrs)

Engage the senses to inspire learning, explore scientific thinking and social interactions in this class led by Ms. Renée.

Tue | 10 - 10:45 am

Session I: Jan 7, 14, 28, Feb 4 and 11

Session II: Feb 18, 25, Mar 4, 11, 18 and 25

Stroller Fit (Birth - 3 yrs)

Bond with your baby, build strength, tone muscles and improve posture with stroller-based exercises that blend barre, Pilates, yoga and power walking led by Ms. Gisela.

Tue | 12 - 12:45 pm

Jan 7, 14, 21, 28, Feb 4, 11, 18, 25, Mar 4, 11 and 25

Story Time (Birth - 3 yrs)

Ms. Dallas helps you bond with your child during Story Time in the beautiful early childhood library.

Wed | 11 - 11:45 am

Jan 8, 15, 22, 29, Feb 5, 12, 19, 26, Mar 5, 12, 19 and 26

NEW - Baby Sign (Birth - 3 yrs and non-verbal preschoolers)

Ms. Lauren, ZVRS ASL Interpreter, teaches signing with your babies to help communicate long before they can verbalize. Signing with babies accelerates language acquisition, reduces frustration, enhances a child's agency, and deepens their bonds.

Thu | 10 - 10:45 am

Session I: Jan 9, 23 and Feb 6

Session II: Feb 20, Mar 6 and 20

NEW - Baby and Me (Birth - 10 mos)

Sing, play and bond with your baby in our Baby and Me playgroup with Ms. Acadia! This group will help promote your non-crawling infant's development through different activities while building your confidence as a caregiver and strengthening the bond between you and your little one!

Fri | 10:30 - 11:30 am

Session I: Jan 10, 17, 24 and 31

Session II: Feb 7, 14, 21 and 28

Session III: Mar 7, 14, 21 and 28

Tot Shabbat (3 mos - 3 yrs)

Join Ms. Renée for holiday-based Shabbat experiences and activities centered around Tu B'Shevat and Purim.

Fri | 11 - 11:45 am

Feb 7 and Mar 14

FREE TO THE COMMUNITY

Advance registration is required. Please contact Acadia Moore by email, acadia.moore@jcajax.org or call ext. 259.

Baby Bear Ballet

Ages 3 (by 9/1/2024) - 5

Little dancers learn the basics of ballet with their ballet buddy! This beginner's class is a fun and relaxed introduction to ballet. Each dancer will receive their very own ballet bear or bunny. We use our ballet buddies to help us with posture and arms. Dancing is so much fun - but it is crazy fun when you dance with a buddy!

Mon | 3 - 3:30 pm

Jan 13, 20, 27, Feb 3, 10, 17, Mar 3 and 10

\$216 | Valued member \$144

Zoe's Hippy Hop Move & Groove

Ages 4 (by 9/1/2024) - 5

Young dancers learn different types of movement characterizations to develop imagination and movement quality in this enrichment class. Students will participate in a variety of exercises and dances that teach listening skills (responding to the tempo and mood of the music), levels (high, medium, low) and direction.

Tue | 1 - 1:30 pm

Jan 14, 21, 28, Feb 4, 11, 18, Mar 4 and 11

\$156 | Valued member \$104

Fit for Broadway Jr

Ages 3 (by 9/1/2024) - 5

Designed especially for our younger dancers, kids will jump, twist, shimmy and shake in this aerobic style dance class! We will dance and sing to our favorite upbeat songs while we build our strength, stamina and coordination.

Tue | 3 - 3:30 pm

Jan 14, 21, 28, Feb 4, 11, 18, Mar 4 and 11

\$156 | Valued member \$104

Fit for Broadway

Grades K - 8

An hour of dancing, jumping, twisting and bopping to get fit for Broadway, kids will be on their way to better health in this high energy, fun-filled class! We will jam to our favorite upbeat show tunes with hip-hop, jazz, salsa and more! This class guarantees sweat, sweat, sweat, while having fun, fun, fun!

Tue | 4 - 5 pm

Jan 14, 21, 28, Feb 4, 11, 18, Mar 4 and 11

\$156 | Valued member \$104

Zoe's Clubhouse

Ages 4 (by 9/1/2024) - 5

This creative class takes your little one on a new adventure sketch each week! Children explore their imagination while teaching social skills, teamwork and coordination in a fun, creative environment! This is one of our JCA's most popular classes - do not miss out!

Wed | 1 - 1:45 pm

Jan 15, 22, 29, Feb 5, 12, 19, Mar 5 and 12

\$216 | Valued member \$144

Shelly Hughes

Theatre Director

(904) 730-2100 ext. 252



Scan the QR code to discover more about our Theatre programs.

Zoe's Story Sketches

Age 3 (by 9/1/2024)

This class is perfect for any creative 3-year-old with a big imagination! We will read a story each week and jump into the pages of the book to experience what the characters are going through in the story.

Wed | 3 - 3:30 pm

Jan 15, 22, 29, Feb 5, 12, 19, Mar 5 and 12

\$216 | Valued member \$144

Zoe's Alumni

Grades K - 2

This class lets our Zoe's gang go further into their adventures. During each class the Alumni gang will learn about different cultures, geography, myths and legends! If your child has an active imagination and a sense of adventure, this is the class for them!

Wed | 4 - 4:45 pm

Jan 15, 22, 29, Feb 5, 12, 19, Mar 5 and 12

\$216 | Valued member \$144

Zoe's Express Yourself

Ages 3 (by 9/1/2024) - 5

This creative class is designed for anyone that loves painting and art. We will read a different classic children's story each week and then our little artists will go up on stage and paint the "set pieces and props" for the story we just read. They will exercise their imaginations while learning to work as a creative team as we bring each story to life.

Thu | 3 - 3:30 pm

Jan 16, 23, 30, Feb 6, 13, 20, Mar 6 and 13

\$180 | Valued member \$120

PAC Presents

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GRADES 1 - 9

<p>AUDITIONS Sun, Jan 5 1 pm</p> <p>REHEARSALS Mon and Thu 4 - 6 pm Start Jan 9</p> <p>SHOW DATES Mar 1 and 8 7:30 pm Mar 2 and 9 1 pm</p>	<p>RECITAL FEE \$315 Valued member \$210 No fees will be collected until after the cast list is posted.</p>
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Evan McInnis

Youth Services Director
(904) 730-2100 ext. 249



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Culinary Passport

Grades K - 9

Join us on a culinary exploration across the world; bags and passport are not required! We will journey to a new location and try a variety of different international dishes each week.

Grades 4 - 9

Tue | 4:15 - 5:30 pm
Jan 7, 14, 21 and 28

Grades K - 3

Wed | 4:15 - 5:30 pm
Jan 8, 15, 22 and 29

\$78 | Valued member \$52

Crack the Code

Grades K - 8

Dive into the world of puzzles and secret codes with this club. You will solve intriguing challenges and decode mysteries. This class combines problem-solving with tactile puzzles to spark your curiosity and analytical thinking.

Thu | 4:15 - 5:15 pm
Jan 9, 16, 23 and 30

\$78 | Valued member \$52

High Tea with Family & Me

Grades K - 5

Sip, Sip, Hooray! Join us as we bring out our finest china for an afternoon of conversation, sophisticated snacks and tea. The price covers one child and one adult for this lovely afternoon tea.

Sun, Jan 26 | 2 - 4 pm

\$53 | Valued member \$35

Painting like Pros

Grades K - 8

Calling all painters! Join us for a dive into the beautiful world of canvases and colors. We will learn tricks, tips, and styles of painting to create a masterpiece with our paintbrushes every week.

Tue | 4:15 - 5:15 pm

Feb 4, 11, 18 and 25

\$78 | Valued member \$52

Superhero Snacks

Grades K - 3

Unleash your inner superhero as we tackle the kitchen to make fun and nutritious superhero inspired snacks. Perfect for young fans looking to make their own power-packed treats.

Wed | 4:15 - 5:30 pm

Feb 5, 12, 19 and 26

\$78 | Valued member \$52

Tomorrow's Technology

Grades 4 - 9

Step into the future of technological innovation by exploring gadgets, robotics, and 3-D printing. Hands-on projects will engage budding technologists to learn about the tech that will shape tomorrow's world.

Thu | 4:15 - 5:15 pm

Feb 6, 13, 20 and 27

\$78 | Valued member \$52

Parent's Night Out

Grades K - 8

We have the kids covered for your special night out! Send the kids to the JCA. Children will eat dinner, play games and watch a movie.

Thu, Feb 13 | 5:30 - 9 pm

\$30 | Valued member \$20

Chemistry Connections

Grades K - 3

Uncover the wonders of science in Chemistry Connections. We will explore the fascinating reactions and properties of different elements through engaging experiments. Perfect for young scientists eager to understand the magic behind everyday chemistry.

Tue | 4:15 - 5:15 pm

Mar 4, 11, 25 and Apr 1

\$78 | Valued member \$52

Cooking with Colors

Grades 4 - 9

Do not just taste the rainbow, cook with it too! In Cooking with Colors, we will create vibrant and healthy dishes that look almost as good as they taste. Learn how to use natural ingredients to brighten up your meals and your plate.

Wed | 4:15 - 5:30 pm

Mar 5, 12, 26 and Apr 2

\$78 | Valued member \$52

Culture Club

Grades K - 8

Our world is wonderful and full of different and unique cultures. Every week we will "travel" to a new place and learn about language, important traditions, food, and culture.

Thu | 4:15 - 5:15 pm

Mar 6, 13, 27 and Apr 3

\$78 | Valued member \$52



J-Cation Days

Grades K - 8

On days when school is closed, send your child to the JCA to explore, create, learn, and have FUN with friends. Children participate in a variety of sport, STEM and other creative activities throughout the day. For specific pricing, availability and more information, please call the Registrar's Office at (904) 730-2100 ext. 228.

Winter J-Cation Days:

Mon, Jan 20

Mon, Feb 17

Fri, Apr 18

Spring Break JCamp:

Mar 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 and 24

J-Cation Day Spring Field Trips

Grades K - 8

Your child is invited to join us for these supplemental field trips at an additional cost during J-Cation Days.

Tue, Mar 18 | Jacksonville Zoo

Thu, Mar 20 | Adventure Landing

Fri, Apr 18 | Skating

\$63 | Valued member \$42

Just for Teens!

Grades 6 - 11

We are planning days and nights full of adventure; a special time out of the house and off campus just for your teenagers.

Monthly Mitzvot

Grades 7 - 11

Inspire and empower your teen to make a positive impact on the community one *mitzvah* (good deed) at a time leading to many *mitzvot* this season. Each month we will partner with J InSTITUTE and spend a day completing a meaningful *mitzvah* that aligns with our core Jewish values. Volunteer hours are earned during these events. Registration is required. For more information, please contact Evan at ext. 249.

Sun | 12:30 - 4 pm

Jan 12, Feb 16, Mar 2 and Apr 27

Free to the community

Teen Mitzvah Project Around Town

Grades 6 - 11

Tikkun Olam! Teens in Jacksonville - help us repair the world! Meet us for a light lunch at the JCA before we hop on the *Mitzvah* Mobile to go shopping to stock up the Fanny Landwirth Clothes Closet at the LJD Jewish Family & Community Services.

Sun, Jan 12 | 12:30 - 4:30 pm

Free to the community

Tinseltown Teens

Grades 6 - 9

Calling all teens! Join us for a teens-only trip to Tinseltown. Movie tickets and transportation from the JCA is included.

Sun, Jan 26 | 2 - 4:30 pm

\$23 | Valued member \$15

Teen Night | Main Event

Grades 6 - 11

Get ready for the Main Event! We will meet at the JCA and head over to Main Event for an afternoon of bowling, laser tag and lots of arcade games. Price includes bowling, laser tag, and a one-hour game card.

Sun, Feb 23 | 3 - 6 pm

\$38 | Valued member \$25

Full Day Teen Excursion |

Ichetucknee

Grades 6 - 11

Join us for one of our most popular summer excursions during Duval County Public Schools' Spring Break! We will depart early in the morning for Ichetucknee Springs State Park for an afternoon of tubing as we welcome the return of warmer weather!

Fri, Mar 21 | 8 am - 4 pm

\$68 | Valued member \$45

AFTER SCHOOL

GRADES K-5

The biggest complaint we hear at the end of the day is that children do not want to leave! Have your children end the day at the JCA. Our After School Program will nurture, encourage and stimulate your child's interests through a variety of activities in a positive environment children love!

Mon - Fri | 2:30 - 6 pm

STUDY CENTRAL

GRADES 6-8

Study Central is designed with quality and flexibility in mind for preteens and teens to support socialization, independence and responsibility in a supervised environment after school. Daily snack, Wi-Fi, laptop access and homework assistance are available. Choose two, three or five days per week.

Mon - Fri | 2:30 - 6 pm

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- ✓ Duval Charter School at Baymeadows
- ✓ Hendricks Avenue Elementary
- ✓ LaVilla Middle School
- ✓ Loretto Elementary
- ✓ Mandarin Oaks Elementary School
- ✓ Martin J. Gottlieb Day School
- ✓ Seaside Charter Elementary School
- ✓ River City Science Academy Innovation
- ✓ River City Science Academy Mandarin

For availability and to register, call (904) 730-2100 ext. 228.



**Kendall
Sisisky Valliere**
Development Director
(904) 730-2100 ext. 231



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MONTH	DAY	YEAR	TIME	LOCATION
FEB	22	2025	7:30 PM	JCA
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WHERE WE'RE GOING, WE DON'T NEED ROADS ...

Hop in, fasten your seatbelts and join us for a night where, *the future is what you make it.*
 Hey McFly, wear your favorite movie garb; we are going *Jax to the Future!*

Save the date for an electrifying night of time-traveling fun at our annual fundraiser!
No DeLorean needed... rumor has it, one might show up!

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Magan Maddox

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(904) 730-2100 ext. 333



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Meditation

Learn to relax your body and mind, while using your breath. Enrich your compassionate outlook on life with a Wellness Coach from Baptist Health.

Mon and Fri | 11:35 am - 12:10 pm
Free to the community

Blood Drives at the JCA

Our JCA is proud to partner with LifeSouth Community Blood Centers to host several community-wide blood drives. Walk-ins are welcome or make an appointment online.

Mon | 10 am - 5 pm
Feb 3 and Apr 21
JCA Donziger Media Library



Chronic Pain Self-Management

Join us and learn techniques to deal with problems such as fatigue, frustration, isolation, and poor sleep, as well as how to evaluate new treatments and communicate effectively with health professionals, family and friends. Call (904) 482-0189 to register.

Thu | 12:30 - 3 pm
Jan 9, 16, 23, 30, Feb 6 and 13
Free to the community

Find Your Why

Kick off the New Year with expert speaker Lisa Bradford, RN, CHC, CPT, CWWS from Baptist Health. This talk is designed to help you set meaningful goals and create lasting habit changes. Discover strategies to break old habits, form new ones, and align your daily actions with your values.

Tue, Jan 14 | 12 - 1 pm
Free to the community

The Key to a Healthy Spine

Join Daniel Ikeda, MD, Neurosurgeon with Lyerly Neurosurgery, as he discusses posture, movement, and everyday habits that can help prevent back pain and improve spinal health.

Tue, Feb 11 | 12 - 1 pm
Free to the community



Wellness Center

Baptist Health Virtual Classes:

New Mothers Support Group

Share your experience as a new mother from the comfort of your homes. We will talk about our babies, ourselves - physical and emotional, what is working and not working, and how things are going.

First Year Baby Safety Essentials

This class will cover the most common injuries to babies in the first year, along with preventive childproofing measures. A first aid lecture and a demonstration of infant/child CPR and choking procedures are also included.

Early Pregnancy Class

Get a jumpstart on preparing for an amazing pregnancy. This pre-recorded virtual class provides up-to-date essentials for a confident and informed pregnancy. From myths to nutrition, fetal growth, do's and don'ts, how to get ready, and so much more, this class is ideal for women up to 24 weeks pregnant.

Visit jcjax.org/fitness-and-wellness/BHWC to learn more.

Managing Cognitive Changes

Delve into the realm of cognitive changes and explore effective approaches to manage and enhance mental well-being. Our expert speaker, Danai Stone, PT, DPT, CRS from Baptist Rehabilitation, will discuss various factors influencing cognitive health, including lifestyle choices, stress management, and cognitive exercises.

Thu, Feb 20 | 12 - 1 pm
Free to the community



Thriving Through Menopause: What Every Woman Should Know

Join Sarah M. Dolan, MD, board-certified obstetrician gynecologist with Women's Care, for an informative session designed to help women understand and embrace the natural changes that come with menopause. You will gain insights into hormone health, lifestyle adjustments, and strategies for maintaining overall wellness.

Thu, Mar 13 | 12 - 1 pm
Free to the community

Financial Wellness Education

Baptist Health and Vystar@Work have partnered to bring you financial wellness education sessions throughout the year. This session focuses on how to spot scams and foil identity theft.

Thu, Mar 27 | 12 - 1 pm
Free to the community



The JCA Walking Club

We want all walkers to join the JCA Walking Club. JCA Walking Club members go at their own pace and build speed and endurance. Members walk on our JCA indoor track, on treadmills or anywhere safely outside. We also plan monthly walking meetups.

JCA Walking Club Outdoor Walks

Tue | 10 am

Jan 21, Feb 18 and Mar 18

Walking locations will be emailed at registration. If you have questions, would like to join the club or register for any of our outdoor walks, please email Hollie Arnold, hollie.arnold@jcajax.org.



Core Balance

Certified Personal Trainer Bobbie Woodard will guide you through a variety of exercises and techniques that will challenge your balance and engage your core muscles, helping you to improve your stability, prevent falls and enhance your overall fitness. Registration is required by Jan 20.

Wed, Jan 22 | 10:30 am
Free to valued members

90-Minute Self-Defense Workshop

Join instructors Clint Neale and Jimmy Normeus for a dynamic 90-minute self-defense workshop designed to enhance your personal safety and confidence while equipping you with essential skills and strategies for real-world self-defense. Registration is required by Jan 24.

Sun, Jan 26 | 12 pm
Free to valued members



Resolutions Gone Bad: Turning Nutrition Fails into Success Stories

Did your New Year's resolutions fizzle out faster than you can say "kale smoothie?" Do not worry, you are not alone! Join Dietician Leslie Burman for a light-hearted yet insightful session where we will tackle the common pitfalls of nutrition resolutions and transform those epic fails into lasting victories. Registration is required by Feb 2.

Tue, Feb 4 | 6 pm
Free to valued members



Couples Yoga

Join Gisela Reis and Grant Helm as you fall into sync with your partner as you find rhythm with your breath, movement and body positions, leading to an intimate and fulfilling experience. Registration is required by Feb 14. Price is per couple.

Sun, Feb 16 | 4 pm
\$75 | Valued member \$50

Karen Cataldo

Fitness and Wellness Team Lead
(904) 730-2100 ext. 324



Scan the QR code to discover more about our Fitness and Wellness programs.



Community Adult and Pediatric CPR/AED/First Aid

This course incorporates the latest science and teaches students to recognize and care for a variety of first aid emergencies and how to respond to breathing and cardiac emergencies.

Fri, Feb 7 | 12 - 3 pm
Registration is required by Jan 29.

Sun, Mar 16 | 12 - 3 pm
Registration is required by Mar 6.

\$60 | Free for valued members thanks to the Stephen and Jackie Goldman Family - CPR Save A Life Fund.



Pickleball Stretching Workshop

This interactive workshop focuses on energizing stretches and exercises designed specifically for pickleball players, helping you improve range of motion, prevent injuries and boost performance. Attend one session or attend both! Registration is required by Mar 3.

Wed | 10:30 - 11 am
Mar 5 or 12
Free to valued members



Alex Minardi
PE and Sports Coordinator
(904) 730-2100 ext. 254



Scan the QR code to discover more about our Sports and Recreation programs.



Willpower Basketball

Ages 5 - 12

Coach Will Holloman's basketball clinics allow players to reach their full potential in a fun-filled environment that challenges all to exceed personal limits and optimize the intangibles of the game.

Mon

Ages 5 - 8 | 5:30 - 6:30 pm

Ages 9 - 12 | 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Session I: Jan 6 - Feb 10

Session II: Feb 24 - Mar 31

No class Nov 25

\$141 | Valued member \$94

Private Lessons

Ages 13 - 18 | Private lessons available throughout the week.

For Private Basketball Instruction

please call Coach Alex at ext. 254 or email alex.minardi@jcjax.org.

Open Pick Up Games

Ages 14+

Stay active on the court! Join us for our open pick up volleyball and basketball games.

Volleyball

Tue | 7:30 - 9 pm

Basketball

Sat | 1 - 3 pm

Free for valued members

Flag Football League

Ages 4 - 16

Our Youth Flag Football League runs **Jan 12 - Mar 23** at Bolles High School. Divisions are based on age and skill and are determined after evaluations held in December. Please email Coach Alex with questions or if your athlete needs a make-up evaluation at alex.minardi@jcjax.org. There is a two-hour afternoon commitment at Bolles High School Stadium Field on Sundays during Flag Football season. Games are every Sun from 12 - 6 pm.

No games Jan 19, Feb 16 and 23

\$173 | Valued member \$115

Fast Freddy's Taekwondo Academy

Ages 3 - 13

Master Frederick Vescera shares the martial art of Taekwondo with our community. The exciting sport teaches a variety of kicks, strikes and blocks while children build self-defense skills and have lots of fun. Students have the opportunity to move up in belts after certain criteria are met. Dobek purchase from Master Freddy is required.

Tue and Thu

Any belt color: Ages 3 - 6 | 4 - 4:45 pm

White/Yellow+ belt: Ages 7 - 13 | 5 - 6 pm

Session I: Jan 30 - Mar 25

\$312 | Valued member \$208

Adult Basketball League

Teams consist of six players for four-on-four competition with a minimum of seven games.

18+ Adult Basketball League

Wed | 6 - 9 pm

Jan 8 - Mar 19

No games Dec 25 and Jan 1

\$62 | Valued members only

25+ Adult Basketball League

Sun | 8:30 - 11:30 am

Jan 19 - Apr 6

No games Feb 16

\$62 | Valued members only



JCA Fencing Academy

This class helps fencers gain confidence through games, footwork, coordination, fencing drills and bouts.

Tue

Advanced: Ages 13+ | 6 - 7:30 pm

Session I: Feb 18 - Apr 8

Wed

Beginner: Ages 4 - 12 | 5 - 6 pm

Intermediate: Ages 13+ | 6 - 7:30 pm

Session I: Feb 19 - Apr 9

\$189 | Valued member \$126

Varsity Basketball League

Ages 15 - 18

Teams consist of eight players for five-on-five competition. No practices, just games. To register as a free agent, a team, or if you are wanting to coach, please email alex.minardi@jcjax.org.

Tue | 6 - 9 pm

Mar 25 - May 20

No games Apr 15

\$111 | Valued member \$74

Basketball League

Ages 4 - 16

Our JCA Youth Basketball League runs **Mar 30 - May 25**. Our mandatory skills evaluation for the 2025 JCA Basketball season will be held on **Sun, Feb 16** by age group:

Ages 4 - 6 | 12:30 - 1:30 pm

Age 7 - 10 | 1:45 - 2:45 pm

Ages 11 - 16 | 3 - 4 pm

Divisions are based on age and skill and will be determined after evaluations. Games are every Sun from 12 - 6 pm.

No games Apr 13 and Apr 20

\$173 | Valued member \$115

PRESCHOOL & YOUTH SPORTS CLINICS

PRESCHOOL AGES 3 - 6

LITTLE NINJA WARRIORS OBSTACLE COURSE

AGES 3 (BY 9/1/2024) - 6

Mon | 3:30 - 4:15 pm

Session I: Jan 6 - Feb 10

Session II: Feb 24 - Mar 31

SPORTS EXTRAVAGANZA

AGES 3 (BY 9/1/2024) - 6

Mon | 3:30 - 4:15 pm

Session I: Jan 6 - Feb 10

Session II: Feb 24 - Mar 31

TERRIFIC TUMBLER GYMNASTICS

AGES 3 (BY 9/1/2024) - 6

Tue | 3:30 - 4:15 pm

Session I: Jan 7 - Feb 11

Session II: Feb 25 - Apr 1

LITTLE KICKERS SOCCER

AGES 3 (BY 9/1/2024) - 6

Tue | 3:30 - 4:15 pm

Session I: Jan 7 - Feb 11

Session II: Feb 25 - Apr 1

LITTLE HITTERS T-BALL

AGES 3 (BY 9/1/2024) - 6

Wed | 3:30 - 4:15 pm

Session I: Jan 8 - Feb 12

Session II: Feb 26 - Apr 2

LITTLE DRIBBLERS BASKETBALL

AGES 3 (BY 9/1/2024) - 6

Thu | 3:30 - 4:15 pm

Session I: Jan 9 - Feb 13

Session II: Feb 27 - Apr 3

TERRIFIC TUMBLER GYMNASTICS

AGES 3 (BY 9/1/2024) - 6

Fri | 3:30 - 4:15 pm

Session I: Jan 10 - Feb 14

Session II: Feb 28 - Apr 4

YOUTH AGES 4 - 14

SOCCER 101

AGES 5 - 10

Mon | 4:30 - 5:30 pm

Session I: Jan 6 - Feb 10

Session II: Feb 24 - Mar 31

JUNIOR GYMNASTICS

AGES 5 - 10

Tue | 4:30 - 5:30 pm

Session I: Jan 7 - Feb 11

Session II: Feb 25 - Apr 1

BASKETBALL 101

AGES 5 - 10

Tue | 4:30 - 5:30 pm

Session I: Jan 7 - Feb 11

Session II: Feb 25 - Apr 1

FLOOR HOCKEY

AGES 5 - 7

Thu | 5 - 6 pm

AGES 8 - 10

Thu | 6 - 7 pm

Session I: Jan 9 - Feb 13

Session II: Feb 27 - Apr 3

VOLLEYBALL 101

AGES 8 - 14

Thu | 4:30 - 5:30 pm

Session I: Jan 9 - Feb 13

Session II: Feb 27 - Apr 3

\$111 | Valued member \$74



If you have questions about our sports leagues, clinics, teams and academies, becoming a coach or scheduling makeup evaluations, please email alex.minardi@jcajax.org.



Dustin Rulien

Aquatics Director
(904) 730-2100 ext. 417



Scan the QR code to discover more about our Aquatics programs.

Sensory Safe Swim Lessons

Ratio 2:1 or 1:1 | All ages

This program is designed for swimmers with Autism. Swim lessons are held in our quiet, indoor heated pool.

Sun | 4:30 - 5 pm or 5 - 5:30 pm

Winter Session I | Jan 5 - Feb 9

Winter Session II | Feb 23 - Mar 30

\$150 | Valued member \$100

Adult Group Swim Lessons

Ratio 8:1 | 14+ yrs

This program is designed to encourage and introduce adults to swimming in a welcoming and comfortable environment.

Mon and Wed | 6:30 - 7 pm

Winter Session I | Jan 6 - Feb 13

Winter Session II | Feb 19 - Mar 31

\$240 | Valued member \$160

Private Swim Lessons

All ages

Each lesson is 30 minutes in length. \$60 per lesson | Valued member \$35 per lesson

\$420 for eight lesson package |

Valued member \$245 for eight lesson package

Semi-Private Swim Lessons

All ages

Each lesson is 30 minutes in length; cost is per person.

\$40 per lesson | Valued member \$25 per lesson

\$280 for eight lesson package |

Valued member \$175 for eight lesson package

Masters Makos Swim Team Practice

Ages 18+

Relearn or refine your strokes in a fun-filled atmosphere with peers. Professional coaches guide swimmers at their own pace.

Eight-week course

Mon | 5:45 - 6:45 am

Winter Session I | Jan 6 - Feb 24

Winter Session II | Mar 3 - Apr 21

\$90 | Valued member \$60

Wed | 7 - 8 pm

Winter Session I | Jan 8 - Feb 26

Winter Session II | Mar 5 - Apr 23

\$90 | Valued member \$60



8th Annual Polar Plunge

It is time for our annual chilly dip! Get ready, we are hosting the JCA's Polar Plunge on Sun, Jan 19. We will jump in the pool no matter what the temperature is outside! There will be hot chocolate and cookies for all who join us! Registration is required by Jan 14.

Sun, Jan 19 | 2:45 - 3:30 pm

Free to the community



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Community Adult and Pediatric CPR/AED/First Aid

This course teaches students to recognize and care for a variety of first aid emergencies and how to respond to breathing and cardiac emergencies.

Fri, Feb 7 | 12 - 3 pm

Registration is required by Jan 29.

Sun, Mar 16 | 12 - 3 pm

Registration is required by Mar 6.

\$60 | Free for valued members

thanks to the Stephen and Jackie Goldman Family - CPR Save A Life Fund.

Red Cross-Certified Water Safety Instructor Training

Become certified to teach parent and child aquatics, preschool aquatics, Learn-to-Swim, adult swim courses and water safety courses and presentations. Water Safety Instructor candidates must be 16-years-old on or before the last scheduled day of the course. Registration closes Mar 12.

Sun, Mar 23 | 1 - 6 pm

Mon, Mar 24 - Thu, Mar 27 | 4 - 9 pm

\$300 | Valued member \$200

Scan the QR code above for more information about our cancellation and diaper policies.

Email Dustin, dustin.rulien@jcajax.org or call (904) 730-2100 ext. 417 for more information about American Red Cross Training Classes, Private and Semi-Private Swim Lessons at the JCA.

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LEARN TO SWIM

PROGRAMS AT THE JCA



LEVEL 0

Parent & Me Ratio 8:1 | Ages 6 mos - 3 yrs

This program teaches parents how to work safely and effectively with children in the water. The program emphasizes fun and enjoyment, water adjustment, and preparatory activities for future swimming. Parent and Me aquatics is not designed to teach children to become good swimmers or even to survive in the water on their own. At least one adult must accompany the child in the pool.

Sunday Sessions

10 - 10:30 am

Winter Session I | Jan 5 - Feb 9

Winter Session II | Feb 23 - Mar 30

\$150 | Valued member \$100

Pricing for Parent & Me program is per session.

LEVELS 1 - 3

Preschool Aquatics Ratio 4:1 | Ages 2 - 3 and 4 - 5 yrs

Preschool through kindergarten children progress through swim levels while learning water safety and skills ranging from blowing bubbles to independent swimming. Children who successfully complete this program will be ready to begin Learn to Swim Level 3.

Sunday Sessions

11 - 11:30 am, 12 - 12:30 pm,

1 - 1:30 pm or 2 - 2:30 pm

Winter Session I | Jan 5 - Feb 9

Winter Session II | Feb 23 - Mar 30

\$150 | Valued member \$100

Weekday Sessions

Mon and Wed | 3:30 - 4 pm, 4:30 - 5 pm or 5:30 - 6 pm

Winter Session I | Jan 6 - Feb 12

Winter Session II | Feb 19 - Mar 31

Tue and Thu | 3:30 - 4 pm, 4:30 - 5 pm or 5:30 - 6 pm

Winter Session I | Jan 7 - Feb 13

Winter Session II | Feb 20 - Apr 1

\$240 | Valued member \$160

Pricing for Preschool Aquatics program is per session.

LEVELS 1 - 4

Learn to Swim Ratio 5:1 | Ages 6 - 9 yrs and 10 - 13 yrs

Elementary and middle school age children progress through four levels of swimming skills and water safety. This curriculum begins with body control in the water and ends with independently swimming all four strokes for short distances.

Sunday Sessions

11 - 11:30 am, 12 - 12:30 pm,

1 - 1:30 pm or 2 - 2:30 pm

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Winter Session II | Feb 23 - Mar 30

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\$240 | Valued member \$160

Pricing for Learn to Swim program is per session.

LEVELS 5 - 6

School Year Makos Swim Team Ages 5 - 18 yrs

Our school year swim team is a monthly, practice-only team designed for those who complete level 4 of the Learn to Swim program. School year swim team continues our Learn to Swim Levels 5 and 6, refining stroke development and increasing endurance. School Year Makos Swim Team runs through April. The Summer Makos Swim Team begins in May.

Ages 5 - 10 | Sun, 3 - 4 pm | Mon - Thu, 5 - 6 pm

Ages 11 - 18 | Sun, 3 - 4 pm | Mon - Thu, 6 - 7 pm

January - March

One day per week, \$75 | Valued member \$50

Two days per week, \$113 | Valued member \$75

Four days per week, \$150 | Valued member \$100

Pricing for the School Year Makos Swim Team is a recurring monthly fee.



Lucas Ramos Campos
Tennis Pro
(904) 730-2100 ext. 317



Scan the QR code to discover more about our Tennis programs.



Adult Tennis Clinics

Ages 18+

Clinics geared to A, B and C level tennis players who are participating in our competitive teams. Tennis League play continues through April. For more information, contact Lucas at ext. 317 or email lucas.ramoscampos@jcjax.org.

3.0 - 3.5 Men's Clinic

The first hour of clinic will focus on stroke production, drills and strategy. The last half hour of clinic will be supervised doubles play.
Mon | 6:30 - 8 pm
\$20 per clinic, year-round

Six-Week Sessions

Ladies A Team Clinic

Wed | 10:30 am - 12 pm
\$90 | Valued members only

Twelve-Week Sessions

Ladies B Team Clinic

Wed | 9 - 10:30 am

Ladies C Team Clinic

Mon | 9 - 10:30 am

Working Women's

Wed | 6:30 - 8 pm
\$180 | Valued members only

Cardio Tennis

Ages 18+

This engaging group fitness program features the heart pumping effects of tennis drills, games and skills to deliver the ultimate full-body and calorie burning workout. Six-week sessions are available year-round.

Sun | 8:30 - 9:30 am
\$135 | Valued member \$90

Tennis Mixers

Ages 21+

Enjoy a round robin doubles social. Players will be matched up by ability, while they rotate opponents and partners throughout the night. Level of 3.0+.

Second Thu of month | 6:30 - 8 pm
Free for valued members only

Tennis 101

Ages 18+

Adults learn the basics of stroke production, scoring, rules, and more about the game of tennis. Six-week sessions are available year-round.

Mon | 5 - 6 pm
Tue | 6:30 - 7:30 pm
\$135 | Valued member \$90

Private Lessons

30-min | \$40

60-min | \$65

Semi-Private Lessons

60-min (two people) | \$42

Doubles

60-min (four people) | \$30

Pricing for semi-private and doubles is per person.

Valued members can schedule private, semi-private and double lessons at any time on the My J app or by calling ext. 317. Packages of five and ten are available for purchase.

Tennis Scholarships

Tennis encourages children and teens to develop positive social skills, hand-eye coordination and strategic thinking while building healthy bodies and minds. We have financial assistance for children to participate in our JCA tennis programs. Thanks to the Serve Love Endowment Fund, our JCA and The Jewish Federation & Foundation of Northeast Florida can provide financial support for children in need of tennis items like equipment or shoes. Please email kendall.valliere@jcjax.org for more information, or questions about your specific situation.

JUNIOR TENNIS CLINICS

ALL CLINICS ARE SIX-WEEK SESSIONS.



For the pee-wee and junior players, our **Tennis** programs teach the fundamentals of tennis. Classes focus on proper swinging motions and the most effective way to handle a tennis racquet.

PEE-WEE QUICK START

Ages 5 - 8
Thu | 4:30 - 5:15 pm
\$108 | Valued member \$72

JUNIOR QUICK START

Ages 8 - 12
Tue | 4:30 - 5:30 pm
\$108 | Valued member \$72

Email Lucas for more information and specific class dates at lucas.ramoscampos@jcjax.org.

IT'S A REALLY BIG DILL!

COME PLAY PICKLEBALL WITH US!

Be sure to read our updated information on pickleball court hours, our policies, and remember there is no pickleball play allowed during tennis matches. Use the My J app to book your time on our courts 1 - 3 and remember court 4 is always available for open play. Check out the new pickleball clinics for adults and children, ages 7 - 14.

Private instruction with our new Pickleball Pro Landon Metcalf is available!
Please email Landon to book your private lessons, landon.metcalf@jcajax.org.

Pickleball 101

Ages 18+
Wed | 9 - 10 am
Tue | 5 - 6 pm
Six week sessions, year round.
\$165 | Valued member \$110

Youth Pickleball 101

Ages 7 - 14
Thu | 5 - 6 pm
Six week sessions, year round.
\$165 | Valued member \$110

Pickleball Stretching Workshop

This interactive workshop focuses on stretches and exercises designed for pickleball players. Register by Mar 3.
Wed | 10:30 - 11 am
Mar 5 or 12
Free to valued members

Private Pickleball Lessons

For more information and availability, please contact Landon.
60-min | \$65
30-min | \$40
Semi-Private
60-min (two people) | \$42
Doubles
60-min (four people) | \$30
Valued members only



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VISION STATEMENT Our vision is to provide the place in the tradition of our heritage where all people come together throughout their lives to enhance body, mind and spirit, in an environment of fun, harmony and friendship.

J CAMP 2025

FUN, FRIENDS, AND UNFORGETTABLE MEMORIES AWAIT.

PROGRAMS FOR AGES 2 AND UP

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Registration opens
January 2025!

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