

# JULIA BROWN SCHOOLS

# SUMMER 2020

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## ENROLLMENT

### NEW STUDENTS

New to our school this Fall? Our summer program is a great way to ease your child into the upcoming school year. During the summer, your child will make new friends and adjust to the Montessori curriculum. Please contact your school's administrator if you are interested in enrolling in our summer program.

### CURRENT STUDENTS

Current full-day students are automatically enrolled in our summer program. If your child attends Julia Brown Schools as a class-only student, and you are interested in our summer program, please contact your school's administrator. We would love to have your child stay with us this summer.

### PREVIOUS STUDENTS

If space permits, we are able to accommodate previous students, who have siblings currently enrolled at our schools. Please contact your school's administrator if interested in enrolling a sibling.

*SPACE IS AVAILABLE ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED BASIS.*

## NEW THIS YEAR

### CONCERTS

This summer we will enrich our musical understanding and appreciation. We will have a performer and cello artist provide a series of interactive lectures and a concert finale for all students to enjoy. Students will discuss and practice proper concert etiquette to show him our best JBS Welcome!

### CALLIGRAPHY

Our Elementary students will explore the art of Calligraphy. The art of beautiful handwriting has its roots in many different countries around the world. Students will learn about the origin of this art form and the meaning behind some of these free-hand symbols of art. Replicating these symbols will strengthen both hand and eye coordination as well as the focus and concentration skills that our students have worked so hard to develop.

## **SPORTS**

Physical activities promote healthy growth and development. Numerous research studies show that children who develop healthy lifestyle patterns at a young age are more likely to carry them into adulthood, promoting lifelong health benefits. This program will improve cardiovascular fitness and help develop motor skills, concentration and thinking skills. The children will be introduced to a number of different sports, tag games, relay games and coordination games in an engaging and non-competitive environment that will encourage teamwork and sportsmanship.

## **SUMMER TRADITIONS**

## **CODING**

Coding requires analytical thinking. If a child learns how to code he/she will understand and develop the skills needed to solve large problems by breaking them down into a sequence of smaller, more manageable problems. Children who can code and absorb it, analyze and correct it, will also adopt the same approach to life and its many complex decisions. This is something we want all our students to have the ability to do. We will continue to build on the concepts of last summer and introduce concepts to students who are joining us for the first time this year.

## **MONTESSORI**

In July, we offer Montessori classes to our Primary and Kindergarten students. This month of Montessori is an opportunity to continue the child's practice of lessons and to help familiarize our new students with the Montessori approach. This provides all children with a smooth transition into the upcoming school year.

## **JOURNALISM**

Our Elementary students will be responsible for publishing "The JBS Weekly" to be distributed to all students in their Friday folders. Each child will have the chance to review books, write editorials, and create advertisements. They will be responsible for making sure they cover the 5 W's (who, what, when, where, and why) to make sure JBS families are in the know.

## **ETIQUETTE**

The importance of etiquette in culture is thousands of years old. Each summer we introduce new lessons in etiquette in a way that is fun for children.

## WEEKLY THEMES

### **OLYMPICS**

Hold your torches! This week, we will dive into the history of this international competition as we play games and learn about Olympic traditions and symbols.

### **SIMPLE MACHINES**

Let's explore what makes our world work. We will learn about and create each of the 6 simple machines: inclined planes, wheel & axle, wedges, levers, pulley, and screws. This week will be filled with hands on building, experiments and play.

### **YOUNG AUTHOR**

Let the creative juices flow! This week we will explore the art of storytelling. Students will use critical thinking exercises to create, develop and share their stories. They will learn 'writers language' such as hook, narrator, imagery and illustrator. JBS students will be given a special treat this week as our very own Founder, Julia Brown, will share her love of reading and storytelling with the students during our "Stories with JB" series.

### **JAZZ**

Jazz is a uniquely American form of music. This week, students will explore the history of Jazz, learn about famous Jazz musicians and of course, listen to Jazz music. We will even teach students how to do the Swing Dance and the Charleston Dance.

### **PHOTOGRAPHY**

Photography is not simply learning how to use a camera, it is an art about perspective storytelling. This week, we will learn the parts of a camera, demonstrate how to use a camera, and have the opportunity to use a "real camera".

## **SAFETY**

When is it safe to cross the street? Why should I wear a helmet while riding my bicycle? This week we will focus on bicycle safety and how to work with parents and crossing guards to be a star navigator.

## **FILMMAKING**

There are many classical films such as *The Wizard of Oz*, *The Sound of Music*, and *Charlotte's Web*. This week we will explore the art of filmmaking by learning film vocabulary, reading and creating scripts and making our own flipbook. Our students will put their acting skills and creativity to the test.

## **ARCHITECTURE**

From basic math to construction equipment, there's so much to learn about building a house. This week, our students will become architects as they build using basic materials and simple math equations. We will explore different structures and learn how equipment is used to help dig, move, and lift materials.

## **INSTRUMENTS**

Everybody has rhythm! From the pounding of drums to the smooth sound of the saxophone, we will strum, tap and shake. So much goes into the creation of good music. Creativity abounds this week as we discover ways to make music and design our own instruments.

## **HERBS**

What is an herb and why would we want to use one? Herbs have been used for thousands and thousands of years by humans. It used to be common for people to use herbs for food, healing the sick, and as a way to care for our bodies. This week, we will grow, taste, and learn about how these little plants can enhance our palates and our health.

## **MODEL CITIZENS**

This week we will focus on civility and citizen responsibility. Our students are particularly interested in civic concepts such as fairness, equity, trust, and teamwork. Our little citizens will model behaviors that teach them that they belong, are wanted members of a society, and have a shared responsibility to help create the world that they want to live in.