

A Message From JCCC:

JCCC staff and teachers always feel supported and encouraged by our parents. We would like to say 谢谢(xiè xie) to you all JCCC's families!

As JCCC registration for next school year is starting, we are delighted to have received the following message from Katherine Wang who used to teach dance class here prior to starting college. You might want to share her story with your child.

A Note from Katherine Wang -

Greetings from Philadelphia! My name is Katherine Wang. I have been teaching dance at JCCC for about 5 years. Prior to that, I took lessons with Moon Lee and volunteered as a dance assistant. Besides dancing, I also love art. I feel very fortunate to be able to contribute to the JCCC yearbook by drawing the covers. I can only hope that my skills improve each year.

The Chinese language has always been an integral part of my life. Chinese means many different things to me. It is my heritage, a tool, and can lead me to a broader path in the future. Perhaps learning a language may be tedious at times, but I find that multi-lingual abilities are becoming more and more important. Many high schools require a second language, and many colleges like to accept bilingual students. At my school, the University of Pennsylvania, students are required to take a certain amount of language classes. Before the first semester begins, all freshmen either select an introductory course or take a placement exam. Fortunately, I had invested my time wisely and I was able to pass the Chinese language exam. Being able to fulfill four or more semester's worth of classes truly saves me a lot of time! I am able to take more classes I love, and not have to worry (as much) about graduating on time! There is nothing better than completing a school requirement before the year begins because summer courses or an extra semester is a lot of money and time. Of course, not everyone tests out of their language requirement, but having a foundation is certainly an advantage.

JCCC 2009-2010 School Year- If you have not already registered for the next school year, now it is the time to do it! Registration is only open to current JCCC families at this time and will open up to the public on April 20th. Each class has limited space. You are able to register at www.iyouscenter.org

End of School Year Party –

It is hard to believe that the end of the school year is almost here. The week of May 11th will be the last week of class. Every class will have a celebration on the last day. Please find the sign in sheet in your child's classroom to indicate what refreshments you would like to share with the class during the party (cookies, juice, etc.). It is possible that some teachers will have a 'theme' to their party. Please check with your teachers and they will let you know.

Also, on the last day of school we will have the pleasure of watching our dance students perform in the lobby of the school. Below is a schedule of when each class will dance:

Ms. Yuning's	Level 7 dance class	8:50pm
Ms. Wang Ying's	Intensive dance class	9:10am
Ms. Yuning's	Level 5 dance class	9:40am
Ms. Wang Ying's	Level 5 dance class	10:15am
Ms. Moon's	Level 5 dance class	10:30am
Ms. Yuning's	Level 6 dance class	11:00am
Ms. Wang Ying's	Level 6 dance class	11:15am
Ms. Moon's	Level 8 dance class	11:25am

Afternoon dance classes schedules:

Ms. Wang Ying's	Level 10 dance class	1:15pm
Ms. Teresa's	Level 7 dance class	1:25pm
Ms. Yuning's	Level 9 dance class	1:35pm
Ms. Wang Ying's	Level 11, 12, 13 dance class	2:15pm
Ms. Teresa's	Level 6 dance class	2:25pm
Ms. Teresa's	Level 8 dance class	2:50pm
Ms. Wang Ying's	Level 8 dance class	3:15pm

Chinese Cultural Club – We still have spots available for the Chinese Cultural Camp on Saturday, April 18th.

Spend a fun Saturday afternoon learning more about Chinese Culture through cooking, arts & crafts and dance. Each club event has a special theme, Chinese New Year, Spring In China, Dragon Boat Fun and Moon Festival.

Events are open to any child kindergarten age and above, children are divided in age appropriate groups for special activities for each age range. Everyone is welcome, friends, relatives and neighbors! Parents are encouraged to stay and help out the youngest kids.

Time: 1:30 PM to 3:30PM

Fee: \$29 per child

Please visit www.joyouscenter.org to register

Summer Camp – We still have spots available for Chinese Cultural Summer Camp. Information and registration for camp can be found at www.joyouscenter.org

Some of the activities that the children will enjoy:

- * Experience Chinese morning Zao Cao exercises
- * Learn Mandarin phrases, characters and songs
- * Create traditional arts and crafts
- * Enjoy Chinese dancing, games and cooking
- * Chinese lunches provided on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday
- * Field trip (Bring a sack lunch on this day.)

* Friday afternoon performance for parents, beginning at 3:00 pm

Volunteer Appreciation-

On Saturday, May 9th we would like to invite all JCCC families to join us for cake at 10:00 (for families who have morning class) and 1:00 (for families who have afternoon class). This is just a token of our appreciation for all of our wonderful volunteers who have helped make this school year so successful!

***Just a friendly reminder to keep an eye on your little ones when they are not in class. We want to be sure to respect the other tenants in our building who are not a part of our school. We appreciate your cooperation!*