

# Jefferson PTA

## After School Enrichment Classes

Fall 2018 Session: Sept. 24th to Dec. 21st

**Registration Opens: Wednesday, Sep. 5th (7:00 am)**  
**Registration Closes: Friday, September 14th (2:30 pm)**

The Jefferson PTA Enrichment Classes provide opportunities for students to explore additional interests after school hours – to learn and have fun! The program is organized by parent volunteers through the PTA and taught by independent instructors. The PTA Enrichment Program is separate from JAZ and BEARS. Students need not be enrolled in JAZ or BEARS to sign up.

### Please Register and Pay Online

<http://jefferson.berkeleypta.org/enrichment>

Registration for all classes is **first come, first served**, starting **Wed, Sep. 5th, 7am**.  
*If you **cannot** register and pay online, please email [jefferson.ptaclasses.reg@gmail.com](mailto:jefferson.ptaclasses.reg@gmail.com).*

**To help more families get their first choice, please limit to 2 classes per child prior to Friday, Sep. 7th.**

#### 4 New classes this year!

**Coding** (Grades 2-3: Tuesdays, Grades 4-5: Fridays)

**Dance** (Grade K and Grades 1-5: Fridays)

**Spanish** (Grades 2-5: Tuesday/Thursday, Grades K-1: Wednesdays)

**Graphic Novel** (Grades 4-5: Wednesdays)

**Classes / Registration:** Two sessions of classes – Fall and Spring – are offered during the school year. Sign up and pay by credit card at the link above. If you are unable to sign up or pay using the online registration form, you may pay by check. Please email [jefferson.ptaclasses.reg@gmail.com](mailto:jefferson.ptaclasses.reg@gmail.com) to do so. Registration for all classes is **first come, first served**. If a class is full, you may join the online wait list.

**Scholarships:** The goal of the PTA scholarship fund is to allow all Jefferson students the opportunity to participate in the PTA After School Enrichment Program. Scholarships are awarded on an honor system based on true financial need (ex. qualification for free or reduced lunch). Scholarships may be requested when registering using the online form or by email. Please see "General Information" page for more details.

**Continuous Child Care / Attendance:** Students are not allowed on the school grounds without adult supervision, either before or after the PTA classes. Remind your child which classes they are signed up for and check in with them regularly. We do also ask our PTA teachers to let you know if a child misses more than 2 consecutive classes.

Para la ayuda en español, contacta por favor Jaime Hernandez: 510-526-5758 [jaimhe@comcast.net](mailto:jaimhe@comcast.net)

### General Information

### Registration

- **Please register on time!** Late registrations can complicate the administrative process and coordination with Jefferson staff, and will be at the discretion of the coordinators and instructor.
- **Class rosters** will be distributed to the PTA After School instructors, Jefferson classroom teachers, JAZ, and BEARS on the first day of classes. Should a child be accepted into a class after classes start, it is the parents' responsibility to notify the Jefferson classroom teacher, and JAZ or Bears if appropriate, so that the Jefferson staff knows where your child needs to be at all times.
- Registration for all classes is **first come, first served**. If a class is full, you may join the online wait list and you'll be notified if new spots open up.
- Check the board outside the office for final class roster postings to ensure your child is registered for all his/her classes.
- In order to help more families get their first choice, **please limit registration to 2 classes per child during the first two days of registration**. After that time, you may enroll in additional classes. Coordinators may request disenrollment in case of noncompliance.

### Cancellations and Refunds

- Refunds are available only before the second class meeting. If you wish to cancel, you must inform the instructor and the PTA coordinating team (jefferson.ptaclasses@gmail.com) **before** the second class meeting.
- If you paid via credit card, the 3% credit card processing fee is non-refundable.

### Behavior Policy

- Students are expected to respect the feelings, rights and property of others, and to not disrupt class. Students not abiding by the policy may be expelled from class at the instructor's discretion.

### Fees

- Class prices include a 5% scholarship fee that helps fund the PTA scholarship program.
- An additional 3% credit card processing fee is added at checkout during online registration.

### Changes and Corrections

- The information in this packet is subject to change. Please consult the web site for the most current information on prices, times and availability.

### Arrival and Pick-up Information

- K-1 students will be escorted to their after school classrooms by Jefferson teachers or after school instructors, while older students must conduct themselves to their after school classes. Jefferson teachers have rosters to help direct students after class. Students are NOT allowed on school grounds before or after school dismissal without adult supervision.
- If you pick up your child after class, they must be picked up as soon as the class ends or they will be escorted to either the office or JAZ and charged the JAZ drop-in fee, payable at time of pick-up.
- If your child is enrolled in JAZ or BEARS, they will be released to JAZ/BEARS after class by their after school enrichment instructor.
- Be aware that many of the Kindergarten instructors have back-to-back classes, so if picking up your Kindergarten child, **please arrive promptly at 2:15** (2:30 on Wednesday).

### Scholarships

- The PTA funds Full and Partial Scholarships on an honor system based on true financial need (ex. qualification for free or reduced lunch), and given on a first come first served basis.
- Full scholarships are limited to one class per child per session. Partial scholarships are limited to two classes per child. **Please do not request a scholarship if you are registering and paying in full for other classes during the same session.**
- To request a scholarship using the online registration system, enter the scholarship promo code as detailed on the sign-up page.
- If you are not using the online registration system, you may request a scholarship by email. Send requests to jefferson.ptaclasses.reg@gmail.com.

### Parent Volunteers – We Need Your Help!

- The After School Enrichment Classes are administered entirely by parent volunteers. Please contact us if you'd like to get involved. Current team members: *Angie Garling, Julie Johnston, Mary Jo McLaughlin, and Chiaki Treynor*. Email us at: **jefferson.ptaclasses@gmail.com**

**MONDAY CLASSES:** (9 class meetings total)

### **Constructing Art (Grades K and Grades 1-5)**

This three-dimensional art class will provide the framework, materials, atmosphere and encouragement to the young artist. Students bring their imagination and creativity to the art table where they will create sculptures and crafts with the focus on "putting things together." Mixed media will include cloth, cardboard, modeling clay, found objects, wire and paint. Kids will learn skills and expand their ideas working with a variety of materials. Projects are generated by student interest and will change/evolve each session. Lolly Watanabe BFA-Painting and MFA-Sculpture, San Francisco Art Institute; Lolly has designed and implemented school art programs since 1990. She has taught at Bentley, Walden Center & School, East Bay Science & Arts Middle School, and offered Family Art Workshops at SFMOMA. Contact: Lolly Watanabe, 510-845-0405, popart4@yahoo.com (6 min / 8 max: K, 6 min/ 12 max: 1-5)

**Schedule:** Mon. 1:30–2:15 (Grade K) Main Corridor \$170  
Mon. 2:30–3:30 (Grades 1-5) Main Corridor \$170

### **Cooking Round the World: A Multicultural Experience (Grades 1-5) \*\* This is a 1-1/2hr class! \*\***

The Cooking Round the World experience gives young boys & girls an initial hands-on opportunity in the kitchen, while also exposing them to countries around the world and their different ingredients, techniques, and celebrations. Recipes and cooking directives are age appropriate, but jam-packed with flavor and fun. Each class we will make (and eat!) 2 dishes! Some examples are: Scottish crumpets with jam, Tsa bi hoon (Stir fried vermicelli) from Taiwan, Aruban pumpkin pancakes, and more! MMMMMMM! Our program is very hands on; everyone peels or chops or dices or minces, etc. As we cook, we talk about the country of the day and our culinary experiences. Fun, educational and delicious! \*No nuts are used in any recipe\*. Contact: Cooking Round the World, kat@cookingroundtheworld.com, 267-312-4536 (6 min/ 18 max)

**Schedule:** Mon. 2:30-4:00 Staff Lounge \$189

### **Way to Glow Kids Yoga (Grade K and Grades 1-3)**

This playful children's yoga class incorporates practicing yoga poses, breathing exercises, cooperative games and relaxation. The benefits of yoga include increased strength, flexibility, body awareness and balance. In addition, yoga can help kids improve their concentration, build confidence, reduce stress, inspire respect for themselves and others, and have fun! Lori Hess was certified to teach children's yoga at It's Yoga, Kids in San Francisco. She teaches yoga classes in Berkeley to kids aged toddler through tween and has been practicing yoga for 13 years. Contact: Lori Hess, 415-271-5170, loribhess@aol.com (5 min/ 10 max)

**Schedule:** Mon. 1:30-2:15 (Grade K) Room TBA \$113  
Mon. 2:30-3:30 (Grades 1-3) Room TBA \$113

## **TUESDAY CLASSES: (11 class meetings total)**

### **Act Up (Grades 3-5)**

Join the fun and learn skills that will get you thinking on your feet, without a script! Students will learn basic acting skills and improvisation techniques, through theater games and exercises, focused on body, voice, and imagination. The class will culminate with an Improvisation Showcase for family and friends on the last day! Contact: Dan Saski, dansaski@gmail.com, 707-694-0927 (10 min/ 20 max)

**Schedule:** Tues. 2:30-3:30 Room TBA \$127

### **Art Explorations (Grades 1-5)**

Explore art in its many mediums: drawing, painting, printmaking, collage and more. Students will be given support to develop their own artistic style and ability. All quality materials included. Kalen Meyer has a B.A. in painting and printmaking with a minor in photography. She has taught art and photography to children for many years. She runs a summer art program for children and teaches art during and after school at several Berkeley schools. Contact: Kalen Meyer, 510-525-3663, kalen@kalenmeyer.com (6 min / 14 max)

**Schedule:** Tues. 2:30–3:30 Room TBA \$139

### **Fiber Fun! (Grade K)**

Kids will work with yarns, fabrics, wool and other natural fibers to create small objects, like bracelets, key chains, charms, wall hangings, pouches, etc. Kids will explore different kinds of knots, braids, weaving, and finger knitting. Boys and girls will have fun making things they will love and enjoy while developing their motor skills, practicing counting, making patterns, and exercising concentration. They will learn to work skillfully and increase their artistry. Walmaria Caldas is a textile artist. She has been teaching in the Bay Area for the past 6 years and always honors the Waldorf tradition to inspire her classes. Contact: Walmaria Caldas, 510-524-8415, walmariac@gmail.com (6 min/ 10 max)

**Schedule:** Tues. 1:30-2:15 Room TBA \$162

### **Coding Frenzy - Introduction to Programming Using Scratch (Grades 2-3)**

Your aspiring coder will learn to create animated stories and games while learning important fundamental programming concepts. Scratch is a drag and drop platform that allows young programmers to play with sprites and blocks while setting a foundation for logical thinking - an essential skill that contributes to success in school, sports, and generally in today's tech-driven world. Students will have the chance to let their imagination run wild as they get a taste of the endless possibilities of programming. Each student will be provided with a Scratch account so that they can continue working on their projects after class and show you all the great work they've done at home. Contact: Coder School, www.thecoderschool.com/berkeley, berkeley@thecoderschool.com, 510-679-2375 (6 min/ 12 max)

**Schedule:** Tues. 2:30-3:30 Room TBA \$231

### **Spanish: (Grades 2-5) *\*\*This class meets two days per week on Tu/Th\*\****

The Classroom Matters After school Spanish program engages kids in learning about the Spanish language and the cultures of countries where Spanish is spoken. Using best practices from a variety of second-language teaching strategies, we provide a foundation of basic Spanish phrases and vocabulary. Through movement, Total Physical Response, song, music, art, and reading and listening activities, our students learn to speak, read, write, and love the Spanish language. The biggest goal of our program is to expose our students to the language in an engaging, play- and project-based environment. Our teachers are native or near-native speakers, or have minors or majors in Spanish – and they are all passionate about the language. They all have previous teaching experience and receive ongoing training in classroom management and effective teaching strategies. No previous knowledge of the Spanish language is necessary. Curiosity and a willingness to learn are! Contact: Classroom Matters, classroommatters.com, 510-540-8646 (6 min/ 10 max)

**Schedule:** Tues. & Thurs. 2:30-3:30 Room TBA \$370

### **WEDNESDAY CLASSES: (11 class meetings total)**

#### **Act Up! Improvisation & Basic Acting Skills and Techniques (Grade K-2)**

Join the fun and learn skills that will get you thinking on your feet, without a script! Students will learn basic acting skills and improvisation techniques, through theater games and exercises, focused on body, voice, and imagination. The class will culminate with an Improvisation Showcase for family and friends on the last day! Contact: Dan Saski, dansaski@gmail.com, 707-694-0927 (10 min/ 20 max)

**Schedule:** Wed. 1:35-2:35 Room TBA \$127

#### **Fiber Fun (Grades 1-5)**

Come and learn to knit or develop your knitting skills! Knitting gives children the opportunity to relax, socialize and have fun after their school day. More significantly, it challenges children to develop important motor skills, solve problems and concentrate. Knitting teaches kids to be patient and to persevere in order to accomplish their goals. It is always heartwarming to see students helping and inspiring each other as they use their own knitting needles to create accessories or three dimensional objects and toys. Walmaria Caldas is a textile artist who has been teaching in the Bay Area for the past 6 years and always honors the Waldorf tradition to inspire her classes. Contact: Walmaria Caldas, 510-524-8415, walmariac@gmail.com (6 min/ 12 max)

**Schedule:** Wed. 1:35-2:35 Room TBA \$162

### **Graphic Novel (Grades 4-5): *\*\*This is a 1.5 hour class!\*\****

Writers will develop, write, and complete their own original fiction or nonfiction graphic novels. Writers will explore core elements of plot, key literary tools, and mechanics of a coherent story. Writers will also learn how to develop their stories visually with key drawing techniques, as well as how to use important steps to take them from sketching to storyboarding to a final inked and colored project. Our goal-oriented method helps students set and achieve writing goals, and our safe-space workshopping environment creates an inclusive environment that empowers young people to find their writing voices and to ultimately become confident, fluid writers. Sessions are peppered with original and fun writing exercises, but focus primarily on writing--and completing--stories. Contact: Writopia Lab, mikaelad@writopialab.org, 415-805-8615 (6 min/ 8 max)

**Schedule:** Wed. 1:35-3:05 Room TBA \$289

### **Making Folk Music (Grades K-4)**

Students will join Mr. Karl in learning songs from the rich tradition of American and International folk music. The class will be built on the assumption that everyone can make music. The class will include group singing, song writing, the making and playing of simple traditional instruments and gaining an appreciation for the roots of folk music. By the end of the class, students will have built their own instruments, written their own songs to familiar tunes, built a personal song book and gained comfort in both group and individual performance. Karl Shadley has been singing with children for over 20 years. For the past eight years, he's been teaching music and playing guitar with the kids at BAM. He has also worked with children at Rosa Parks and Rockridge Little School. Contact: Karl Shadley, 510-435-4274, revshad@gmail.com (8 min / 18 max)

**Schedule:** Wed. 1:35-2:35 Room TBA \$116

### **Photography & Photo Projects (Grades 3-5)**

Have fun learning about the principles of photography. Students receive a camera to use during the course. Kalen Meyer has a B.A. in painting and printmaking with a minor in photography. She has taught art and photography to children for many years. She runs a summer art program for children and teaches art during and after school at several Berkeley schools. Contact: Kalen Mayer, 510-525-3663, kalen@kalenmeyer.com (7 min / 12 max)

**Schedule:** Wed. 1:35-2:35 Room TBA \$165

### **Spanish (Grades K-1)**

*See description under Tuesday Classes.*

**Schedule:** Wed. 1:35-2:35 Room TBA \$185

## **THURSDAY CLASSES: (11 class meetings total)**

### **Chess: Beginning to Advanced (Grades 1-5) Split into two classes based on skill level**

Chess is fun and can be learned quickly and easily. Studies have found that chess improves test results in reading, science and math, and encourages growth in critical cognitive skills. Beyond academia, chess influences social behavior, including self esteem, respect for others, patience, and good sportsmanship. Students at all levels of skill are welcome! Advanced students are invited to represent Jefferson in the year-end BCS Bay Area Tournament. The Berkeley Chess School is a non-profit, offering chess instruction from K-12. More info: [www.berkeleychessschool.org](http://www.berkeleychessschool.org). Contact: Berkeley Chess School, 510-843-0150, [programs@berkeleychessschool.org](mailto:programs@berkeleychessschool.org) (20 min / 40 max)

**Schedule:** Thu. 2:30-3:30 Rooms TBA \$150

### **Constructing Art (Grades K and Grades 1-5)**

*See description under Monday Classes.*

**Schedule:** Thu. 1:30-2:15 (Grade K) Main Corridor \$208  
Thu. 2:30-3:30 (Grades 1-5) Main Corridor \$208

### **Photography (Grades 3-5)**

*See description under Wednesday Classes.*

**Schedule:** Thu. 2:30-3:30 Room TBA \$165

**Spanish (Grades 2-5) *\*\*This class meets two days per week on Tu/Th\*\****

See description under Tuesday Classes.

**Schedule:** Tues.& Thurs. 2:30-3:30 Room TBA \$370

**FRIDAY CLASSES:** (11 class meetings total)

**Coding's a Snap! - Introduction to Programming Using Snap! (Grades 4-5)**

We will use Snap! (developed at UC Berkeley as a tool for teaching both kids and adults) to introduce curious middle school students to the world of coding through the use of animation, music and games. Snap! is a drag and drop platform that sets the foundation for logical thinking - an essential skill that contributes to success in school, sports, and generally in today's tech-driven world. The session will wrap up with an introduction to Python, one of the most popular coding languages today that allows you to develop apps, integrate systems and more. It's emphasis on code readability allows aspiring coders to work quickly and efficiently. Contact: Coder School, [www.thecoderschool.com/berkeley](http://www.thecoderschool.com/berkeley), [berkeley@thecoderschool.com](mailto:berkeley@thecoderschool.com), 510-679-2375 (6 min/ 12 max)

**Schedule:** Fri. 2:30-3:30 Room TBA \$231

**Dance (Grade K and Grades 1-5)**

This energetic dance class is a dynamic mix of various dance styles including Hip- Hop, Improvisation, Brazilian (Samba Reggae and Capoeira), Jazz, Modern and Creative Dance! We move to music from around the world and some of hip- hop's greatest hits! We also play cooperative games and make up our own dances. Stephanie Bastos is a Brazilian-American dancer that speaks English, Portuguese, and Spanish with a BFA. She has been performing and teaching dance for over 10 years throughout the Bay Area including with Destiny Arts Center. Contact: Stephanie Bastos, 510-282-0035, [tete\\_steph@hotmail.com](mailto:tete_steph@hotmail.com) (5 min/ 15 max)

**Schedule:** Fri. 1:30-2:30 (Grade K) Room TBA \$144  
Fri. 2:30-3:30 (Grades 1-5) Stage TBA \$144

**Intro to STEM using LEGO® (Grade K)**

Ratchet up your imagination with tens of thousands of LEGO® parts! Build engineer-designed projects such as Motorcycles, Castles, Airplanes, and Monorails. Then use special pieces to create your own unique design! New and returning students can explore the endless creative possibilities of the LEGO® building system with the guidance of an experienced Play-Well instructor. Contact: Play-Well TEKologies: [www.play-well.org](http://www.play-well.org). Contact: Lauren Yee (coordinator), 510-227-9378, [lauren@play-well.org](mailto:lauren@play-well.org) (10 min/ 16 max)

**Schedule:** Friday 1:30-2:30 Room TBA \$219

**STEM FUNDamentals using LEGO® (Grades 1-5) *\*\* This is a 1.5 hour class! \*\****

Level up your engineering skills with Play-Well TEKologies and tens of thousands of LEGO® parts! Apply real-world concepts in physics, engineering, and architecture through engineer-designed projects such as Motorcycles, Aircraft Carriers, Conveyor Belts, and Rail Racers! Design and build as never before, and explore your craziest ideas in a supportive environment. An experienced instructor will challenge new and returning students to engineer at the next level. Contact: Play-Well TEKologies: [www.play-well.org](http://www.play-well.org), Lauren Yee (coordinator), 510-227-9378, [lauren@play-well.org](mailto:lauren@play-well.org) (10 min / 18 max)

**Schedule:** Fri. 2:30-4:00 Room TBA \$219

**Jefferson PTA Enrichment Class Calendar  
Fall 2018**

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	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	
<b>Sep</b> <b>2018</b>	27	28	29	30	31	<b>Registration Starts: 9/5</b>
	<b>3</b>	4	<b>5</b>	6	7	<b>Registration Deadline 9/14</b>
	10	11	12	13	14	
	17	18	19	20	21	
	24	25	26	27	28	FALL SESSION: 9/24 – 12/21
<b>Oct</b> <b>2018</b>	1	2	3	4	5	
	<b>8</b>	9	10	11	12	10/8 Staff Development Day (No PTA classes)
	15	16	17	18	19	
	22	23	24	25	26	
	29	30	31			
<b>Nov</b> <b>2018</b>				1	<b>2</b>	11/2 Staff Dev. Day (No PTA classes)
	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	9	11/5-11/8 PT Conferences (No PTA classes)
	<b>12</b>	13	14	15	16	11/12 Veterans' Day (No PTA classes)
	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	11/19-11/23 Thanksgiving Break (No PTA classes)
	26	27	28	29	30	
<b>Dec</b> <b>2018</b>						
	3	4	5	6	7	
	10	11	12	13	14	
	17	18	19	20	21	12/21 Last day of PTA classes
	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	Winter break
<b>31</b>						
Jan		<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	Winter break

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