

# Jefferson PTA

## After School Enrichment Classes

Winter/Spring 2019 Session: February 4th to May 3rd

**Registration Opens: Wednesday, Jan. 16th (7:00 am)**  
**Registration Closes: Friday, Jan. 25th (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, Jan. 16th, 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, Jan. 18th.**

*New This Session:*

*Jedi Engineering using LEGO® (Grade K) Fridays 1:30-2:30*  
*Jedi Master Engineering using LEGO® (Grades 1-5) 2:30-4:00*

**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 [jaimehe@comcast.net](mailto:jaimehe@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: (11 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 (Kinder: 6 min / 8 max, Gr 1-5: 6 min / 12 max)

<b>Schedule:</b>	Mon. 1:30–2:15 (Grade K)	Main Corridor	\$208
	Mon. 2:30–3:30 (Grades 1-5)	Main Corridor	\$208

### 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)

<b>Schedule:</b>	Mon. 2:30-4:00	Staff Lounge	\$231
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### 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)

<b>Schedule:</b>	Mon. 1:30-2:15 (Grade K)	Room TBA	\$139
	Mon. 2:30-3:30 (Grades 1-3)	Room TBA	\$139

## TUESDAY CLASSES: (12 class meetings total)

### 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)

<b>Schedule:</b>	Tues. 2:30–3:30	Room TBA	\$151
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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 / 15 max)

**Schedule:** Wed. 1:35-3:05 Room TBA \$315

### **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 \$126

### **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 \$180

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

*See description under Tuesday Classes.*

**Schedule:** Wed. 1:35-2:35 Room TBA \$202

## **THURSDAY CLASSES: (12 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 \$164

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

*See description under Monday Classes.*

**Schedule:** Thu. 1:30--2:15 (Grade K) Main Corridor \$227

Thu. 2:30--3:30 (Grades 1-5) Main Corridor \$227

### **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 \$403

## 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) Stage \$144  
Fri. 2:30-3:30 (Grades 1-5) Stage \$144

### Jedi Engineering using LEGO® (Grade K)

The Force Awakens in this introductory engineering course for young Jedi! Explore engineering principles by designing and building projects such as LEGO® X-Wings, R2 Units, Energy Catapults, Defense Turrets, and Settlements from a galaxy far, far away. Create motorized and architectural projects with imagination and engineering to defeat the Empire! An experienced instructor will challenge new and returning students to engineer at the next level. Contact: Play-Well TEKnologies: [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

### Jedi Master Engineering using LEGO® (Grades 1-5) \*\* This is a 1.5 hour class! \*\*

The Force Awakens in this advanced engineering course for young Jedi! Discover key engineering concepts such as gear trains, worm drives, pneumatics, and eccentric motion. Build LEGO X-Wings, AT-AT walkers, Pod Racers, Star Destroyers, Cloud Cities, Settlements, Fortresses, and other complex machines and structures from a galaxy far, far away. An experienced instructor will challenge new and returning students to engineer at the next level. Contact: Play-Well TEKnologies: [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

## Winter/Spring 2019 Calendar

<b>Jan 2019</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	Winter break
	7	8	9	10	11	<b>Registration Starts: 1/16</b>
	14	15	16	17	18	<b>Registration Deadline: 1/25</b>
	<b>21</b>	22	23	24	25	1/21 MLK Day & 1/28 Staff Dev Day
	<b>28</b>	29	30	31		
<b>Feb 2019</b>					1	
	4	5	6	7	8	<b>SPRING SESSION: 2/4 – 5/3</b>
	11	12	13	14	<b>15</b>	2/15 Lincoln's B'day (No PTA classes)
	<b>18</b>	19	20	21	22	2/18 President's Day (No PTA classes)
	25	26	27	28		
<b>March 2019</b>					1	
	4	5	6	7	8	
	11	12	13	14	15	
	18	19	20	21	22	
	25	26	27	28	29	
<b>April 2019</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	4/1–4/5 Spring Break (No PTA classes)
	8	9	10	11	12	
	15	16	17	18	19	
	22	23	24	25	26	
	29	30				
<b>May 2019</b>			1	2	3	<b>5/3 Last day of PTA classes</b>
	6	7	8	9	10	
	13	14	15	16	17	
	<b>20</b>	21	22	23	24	5/20 Malcom X's Holiday
	<b>27</b>	28	29	30	31	5/27 Memorial Day Holiday
<b>June 2019</b>						
	3	4	5	6	7	
	10	11	12	13	<b>14</b>	6/14 Last Day of School

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