



Jackson County Central
**Community
Education**

Summer 2026

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I'm Back!

And beyond grateful to be here.

I invite you to take a few minutes to explore our summer catalog. Inside, you'll find opportunities for all ages to learn something new, stay active, meet new people, and have fun.

Summer is the perfect time to try a class, pick up a hobby, or step outside your comfort zone. Whether you join with a friend, your family, or on your own, we hope you discover something that inspires you.

We look forward to learning and growing together with you this summer!

-Jacqueline Knips
JCC Community Education



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Community Education Advisory Council



Under the direction of
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JCC Community Education Philosophy for Youth Sports & Activities

JCC Community Education Youth Sports are designed to allow all children an opportunity to have fun, participate and learn fundamental sport skills. We are committed to providing both educational and recreational programs and services. Participants will learn sportsmanship, respect, teamwork, fair play and self-confidence. The sports environment will be safe and well-maintained. Prudent behavior by adults is mandatory.

Essential components of JCC CE Sports Philosophy

1. All children in our communities who meet the basic program registration requirements have a right to participate in JCC CE youth sports programs.
2. JCC CE programs are about the development of the individual and the learning of the sport.
3. JCC CE will offer programs at a reasonable cost while providing quality facilities and quality equipment for both volunteers and participants.
4. JCC CE will recruit volunteers who have the ability to act as role models, mentors and facilitators.
5. All participants in JCC CE youth sport programs shall be treated fairly, and without regard to race, color, disability, religion, sex or national origin.
6. JCC CE youth sport program practices and games should be an enjoyable, challenging and learning experience for all participants.
7. Those people in coaching and leadership positions in JCC CE youth sport programs shall lead by example through the promotion of fair play and sportsmanship.
8. JCC CE programs focus on the enjoyment of the sport—not the score.
9. JCC CE age policy is as follows: a. Children should play at their grade level for CE sports through grade 6. b. In a program set up by grade levels, coaches and volunteers may not bring up a younger player when a player at the correct age level is available—through grade 6. c. If it is necessary to divide a grade level into two teams because of large numbers, the teams should be divided as evenly as possible by skill level. There will not be a “varsity” group and a “b-squad” group. d. Parents may use an “Age Waiver Form” to apply for a higher placement in special circumstances.
10. Parents Guidelines—parents must: a. Select a program that will enhance your child’s emotional, physical, social and educational well-being. Make sure your child is properly equipped. b. Encourage a drug-, tobacco- and alcohol-free environment for their children. c. Recognize that youth sports are only a small part of a child’s life. d. Make a serious effort to take an active role in the youth sports experience of their child providing positive support as a spectator, coach and/or caring parent. e. Be a positive role model for sportsmanlike behavior at games and practices. f. Insist on safe playing facilities and healthful playing situations. g. Insist on equal sports play opportunity for all youth regardless of race, creed, sex, economic status or ability. h. Be drug-, tobacco- and alcohol-free as coaches and fans at youth sports activities.
11. JCC Community Education will follow the MN State High School League guidelines and will not take the place of the high school activities governed by the MSHSL.

Facility Usage

The School Board of Jackson County Central Public School District 2895 recognizes that school facilities belong to all of us. Encompassing a wide range of buildings and facilities, our schools are one of the community’s greatest assets. Allowing groups and organizations to utilize school facilities is an important part of using our schools to the fullest extent.

Obtain a facility use application or to read through Regulations and Charges, visit our website at www.jccschools.com, under the Community tab.

WHAT ARE YOUR TALENTS? WHY NOT SHARE THEM WITH OTHERS?

Over the years, many people have taught Community Education classes for Jackson County Central. Teaching and sharing skills with others encourages a sense of community and can be very enjoyable. JCC Community Education is always looking for new ideas, classes, activities, and facilitators. Winter class information is scheduled six months in advance. Share your skills today!

LOOKING FOR INSTRUCTORS KNOWLEDGABLE IN:
QUILTING * CARD CLUBS * GARDENING *
INDOOR PLANTS * RUNNING AND BIKING CLUBS
* HEALTH AND WELLNESS *
STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING * MUSIC FOR KIDS
* BASIC TECHNOLOGY CLASSES

Community Education class fees are split between Community Education and the instructor so if you are willing and want some extra pocket change- give me a call to help instruct classes!

People Powered Health Plans

Eligible UCare members may get up to a \$15 discount on many community education classes in Minnesota. Members must have UCare insurance at the time of registration and throughout the duration of the class. Members need to provide their UCare member ID number when registering for class. Limits and restrictions may apply.



Early Childhood Family Education

A program of Jackson County Central Community Education



Spring 2026 ECFE Classes

Traditional Family Class

5-week classes for kids birth-5 years and their caregivers. \$15 per child, Limit 10 kids per class. Minimum 3 kids per class. RSVP to the ECFE office one week prior to the start of class.

Spring Session at Riverside
Monday Nights
April 13, 20, 27, and May 4, 18
5:30-6:30 PM

Grandparent and Me Class

5-week class for kids 0-5 years and their grandparent. \$15 per child, Limit 15 kids per class. Minimum 3 kids per class. RSVP to the ECFE office one week prior to the start of class.

Spring Session at Riverside
Friday Mornings
April 17, 24, May 1, 8 and 15
9:00-10:00 AM

Early Childhood Family Education provides services for parents and their children ages birth to 5. It is funded through JCC Community Education. You are invited to participate in any program activities if you are the caregiver of a child ages birth to 5, and if you live within the JCC School District attendance area.

ECFE and Discovery Place Preschool are located in the lower level of Riverside Elementary in Jackson and in Pleasantview Elementary in Lakefield.

"The beginning years of a child's life are crucial."

Family Fun Nights

Join us each month for a night of fun for parents and children (Ages 1-5). \$5 per family. Must have 10 kids registered for event to take place. RSVP one week prior to the event by calling 507-847-5868 or emailing leah.meyer@jccschools.net

Bunny Hop Night

Monday, March 30th

6:00-7:00 PM

Riverside Elementary
Preschool Rooms

Join us for a night of fun with bunny themed activities!

EARLY CHILDHOOD SCREENING

JCC Schools will provide a FREE Early Childhood Screening for preschoolers who are 3 years old by Sept. 1, 2026.

Areas screened include speech, language and concepts, motor skills, vision, hearing, emotional and health history. Information packets were mailed to eligible families in November.

Call early to get your child's appointment set.

If you do not receive a packet, please call Darci Thurmer at 507-847-5963 to request one.

Early Childhood Screenings are required before entry into Kindergarten.

2026-27 Registration Now Open!

JACKSON CAMPUS 3-Year-Old Preschool

Children must be 3 years old by Sept. 1, 2026
 Classes: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday
 8:15 AM to 10:45 AM
 OR
 Classes: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday
 12:30 to 3:05 PM
 \$125/month

4/5-Year-Old Preschool Full Day

Children must be 4 years old by Sept. 1, 2026
 Classes: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday,
 8:10 AM to 3:05 PM
 \$200/month

LAKEFIELD CAMPUS 3-Year-Old Preschool

Children must be 3 years old by Sept. 1, 2026
 Classes: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday
 8:00 to 10:30 AM
 \$125/month

4/5-Year-Old Preschool Full Day

Children must be 4 years old by Sept. 1, 2026
 Classes: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday,
 8:00 AM to 3:05 PM
 \$200/month

Scholarships available!

Before/after school care is available at Kid's Club. Childcare and preschool bundled pricing available by calling 507-847- 5868.



**DISCOVERY PLACE
PRESCHOOL & ECFE
OFFICE HOURS
MONDAY THROUGH
FRIDAY
8:00 AM TO 3:30PM**



Super Soccer Saturdays

Soccer is the world's most popular sport. Our program is set up to be a fun recreational league. This growing program has been enjoyed by over 100 kids every spring! In addition to learning the game, enjoy the outdoors, build character and learn team building skills. Each participant will randomly be placed on a team based on their spring grade level. A team t-shirt and sock are included and to be worn each Saturday. Soccer cleats and shin guards are optional.

Dates: Saturdays, April 25, May 2, 9, 16 Makeup day: May 23rd
 Times: First games start at 9:00 AM
 *Schedule will be determined based on number of participants.
 Grades K- 6
 Fee: \$25
 Location: Jackson Riverside
 Deadline: April 10th

Garden Club by JCC FFA

A fun-filled, educational experience for our youth entering into **grades 3, 4 and 5**. Students get to plant a garden plot early in the program, be the caretaker throughout the summer, enjoy fruits and vegetables during harvest, and clean-out their plot at the end. Each garden will have carrots, radishes, onions, green beans, peas, leaf lettuce, tomatoes, cucumbers and peppers along with zinnias.

As the garden grows, so will their minds with hands-on activities learning about plants including art projects and cooking. Each session will begin in the Ag room at the High School (lower north parking lot, door #10). Then we will move outside, weather permitting.

Our FFA views Garden Club as an excellent opportunity for young people to become connected with agriculture at an early age. Space is limited, so claim your spot!

Instructors: FFA Advisors, FFA High School Members
 Dates: Wednesdays, May 27 from 2:15 - 3:30 PM
 June 3, 10, 17, 24 & July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 from 9:00 - 10:30 AM
 NOTE: Garden maintenance and clean-out must be done independently from August 1 - September 10.
 Location: JCC Ag Room & HS Grounds
 Fee: \$50
 Register By: May 12th
 Maximum: 18- First come, first served



Youth Track & Field

Allow children in grades K-6 to explore the options that track & field has to offer! The first two sessions will be practicing and enhancing skills. The last two days will be the track meet. Includes a Huskies Track Shirt!

Instructors: Coach Rafiel York, JCC Track Coaches, and JCC Track & Field Athletes
 Dates: Mondays, April 27, May 4, 11, and Tuesday, May 19
 Time: 6:00 - 7:00 PM
 Location: JCC High School Track
 Fee: \$30
 Register By: April 20th



Girls Basketball

Grades K-6, come to learn the fundamentals of basketball. Improve your passing, dribbling, defense, rebounding, and shooting. This camp includes a t-shirt.

Instructor: Coach Rafiel York
 Dates: June 29- July 3rd
 Fees \$50
 Grades K-3 9:00 - 10:00 AM
 Grades 4-6 10:00 - 11:00 AM
 Location: JCC Middle School

Boys Basketball

Grades K-8 will build a strong foundation of basketball basics, focusing to improve passing, dribbling, defense, rebounding, and shooting. This camp includes a t-shirt.

Instructor: Coach Alex Hein
 Dates: July 13th- July 17th
 Times/Fees: \$50
 Grades K-3 10:00 - 11:00 AM
 Grades 4-8 11:00 - 12:30 PM
 Location: JCC Middle School



MYFL Football

Please watch for information on upcoming fitting night and registration in May! MYFL offers 5th and 6th grade girls tackle football. Information will be posted online.
 WEBSITE: <https://www.myfootball.org/board>
 FACEBOOK PAGE: <https://www.facebook.com/JacksonMyfl/>
 Questions? Email: jackson.myfl@gmail.com

Coach T's Football Camp

Participants will work hard and have a blast learning aspects of the game while emphasizing positive on-and-off field attitudes and good sportsmanship. T-shirts and awards will be given out. This is a NO contact camp. Spikes encouraged for outside and please bring indoor athletic shoes in case of bad weather. Be ready to work hard and have a blast!

Instructor: Thad Tumbleson and Staff
 Dates: July 20-24
 Times: Grades K-3, 8:30 - 11:30 AM
 Grades 4-8, 12:30 - 3:30 PM
 Location: JCC HS Track
 Fee: \$150 for the whole week
 Daily Rates are available by emailing or calling Community Education and pre-pay by registration day!
 Register by: July 1st
 Minimum: 15 per session, if the minimum- grades will be combined into the morning session.



Kickball

Kickball, a cherished sport enjoyed by individuals of all ages, has origins that, while not extending to the dawn of time, certainly trace back to the early 20th century. As summer approaches this year, community education is discovering inventive ways to revitalize this classic game.

Dates: Wednesdays June 3, 10, 17, 24
 Times: 5:30- 6:15 PM
 Schedule will be determined based on number of participants.
 Grades: K-4 | Fee: \$20 | Location: Lakefield
 Deadline is MAY 14th!

Firearm Safety

This class consists of classroom learning on the safe handling of firearms, hunter responsibility and wildlife conservation. Students then complete additional field experience.

The field experience consists of scenario-based training opportunities. These scenarios allow students to learn and demonstrate commonly accepted principles of safety in hunting and the handling of firearms.

Requirements: Must be 11 years of age before class start date. A parent or guardian is requested to attend the first class and is welcome to all classes.

Jackson

Tuesdays, March 17, 24, 31 & Apr 14, 21, 28
 Time: 7:00 - 9:00 PM
 Class location: Jackson County Sheriff's Office
 Range Day: May 2nd- Field day
 Time: 9:00 - 12:00 PM
 Range location: Jackson Horese Barn and Hunt Club
 Fee: \$7.50 DNR Course, \$7.50 instructor Fee.
 Instuctor: Michael Haeffner

Lakefield

Mondays, March 16, 23, 30 & Apr 13, 20, 27
 Time: 6:00 - 8:00 PM
 Class location: JCC Middle School
 Range Day: May 2nd- Field day
 Time: 9:00 - 12:00 PM
 Range location: Jackson Horese Barn and Hunt Club
 Fee: \$7.50 DNR Course, \$7.50 instructor Fee.
 Instructor: Paul Cihak

Vital Roots Training

Strength. Power. Agility. Balance.

Our primary offering is youth athletic development training. These sessions focus on a balanced approach to plyometrics, functional strength, speed, agility, and conditioning.

Schedule & Pricing:

We plan to revisit our schedule and pricing structure after wrestling season concludes at the end of March. While we anticipate classes will continue to be held on Sundays, times may vary to accommodate other activities, and we may offer additional days or times in the future.

Coaches:

Cameron Henning and Andy Nesseth, with occasional guest coaches.

Contact Info:

Facebook: Vital Roots Training or via email at vitalrootstraining@gmail.com.



Pre-Season Summer Ball Clinic

Get ready for the upcoming season with this fun and focused Pre-Season Baseball Clinic! Players will build and sharpen fundamental skills including hitting, fielding, throwing, and base running in a positive, supportive environment. Emphasis will be placed on proper technique, teamwork, and building confidence to help athletes prepare for game situations. This clinic is a great opportunity for players to get back in the swing of things, stay active, and start the season strong. All skill levels are welcome.

Baseball

Instructor: Easton Bahr
 Dates: April 12, 19
 Times: Grades 3-5, Noon - 1:00 PM
 Grades K-2, 1:00 - 1:45 PM
 Location: Jackson High School
 Fee: Jac



Softball

Instructor: Ashley Nagel
 Dates: April 12, 19
 Times: Grades 3-5, Noon - 1:00 PM
 Grades K-2, 1:00 - 1:45 PM
 Location: Jackson High School
 Fee: FREE

Baseball - T-ball- SoftToss

Based on
Spring Grade
2026

Preschool Tee-Ball – PREK 3's & 4's
Dates: Mondays (10 max per team)
June 1, 8, 15, 22
Makeup day: June 29
Times: 5:30-6:15 PM
Location: Jackson & Lakefield
Fee: \$20

Soft Toss – Kindergarten
(10 max per team)
Dates: Mondays & Wednesdays
June 1, 3, 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24
Makeup date: June 29
Times: 6:30-7:30 PM
Location: Lakefield & Jackson
Fee: \$25

Pitching Machine – Girls Grades 1-3
Games will be within 30 miles if available.
Dates: Mondays & Wednesdays,
June 1, 3, 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24
Times: Game times from 6:00-7:00 PM
Location: Softball fields, Jackson
Fee: \$50

Pitching Machine – Boys Grades 1-2
Games will be within 30 miles if available.
Dates: Tuesdays & Thursdays
June 2, 4, 9, 11, 16, 18, 23, 25
Times: Game times from 6:00-7:00 PM
Location: Softball Fields Jackson
Fee: \$50

Minor League – Boys Grades 3-4
This is a traveling team between Martin County West,
Madelia, Truman, Northrup, Blue Earth, and Fairmont.
Game Dates: Mondays & Wednesdays, June & July
League Tournament - usually 3rd weekend in July
Times: Game time 6:30 PM
Fee: \$100

Junior League – Boys Grades 5-6
This is a traveling team between Martin County West,
Madelia, Truman, New Ulm, Northrup, Blue Earth, and
Fairmont.
Game Dates: Tuesdays & Thursdays, June & July
League Tournament July - usually 3rd weekend in July
Times: Game Time 6:30 PM
Fee: \$100

Pony League – Boys Grades 7-8-9
This is a traveling team between Martin County West,
Madelia, Truman, New Ulm, Northrup, Blue Earth, and
Fairmont.
Game Dates: Tuesdays, June & July
League Tournaments in July
Times: Game time, double-headers 5:30 PM
Fee: \$100

Huskies Baseball – Boys Grades 10-12
Legion Ball, see Coach Easton Bahr.

HELP WANTED: UMPIRES & COACHES

Be a part of the game
and earn some cash!

We are in need of umpires this year, as some of our older youth are still actively playing! If you or anyone you know can lend a hand at home base, please reach out.

If you are willing to help coach at any level- please contact Community Education.

Umps- \$80 per game for Junior & Minor League
Umps- \$100 per game for Pony League

Please contact
CommunityEducation@jccschools.net



Summer GYMNASTICS

BEGINNERS

Mondays, 11:00-12:00 p.m.
 4 Week Session
Cost: \$80.00
 June 15th—July 13th
No Class June 29th—Classes payable to JCC

INTERMEDIATES

Thursdays, 3:00-4:00 p.m.
 4 Week Session
Cost: \$80.00
 June 18th—July 16th
No Class July 2nd—Classes payable to JCC



SUMMER GYMNASTICS DAY CAMPS

WED., JUNE 17 9:00-12:00
 WED., JUNE 24, 9:00-12:00
 WED., JULY 8, 9:00-12:00
 WED., JULY 22, 9:00-12:00
 WED., AUGUST 12, 9:00-12:00
 WED., AUGUST 19, 9:00-12:00
Cost: \$45 each, *Must be 5 years old
 Beginners-Achievers level
 Camps payable to Tammy Handevidt

BACK HANDSPRING/ KIP CLINICS

FRIDAY, JULY 24TH,
 10:00-12:00
 FRIDAY, AUG. 14TH,
 10:00-12:00
Cost: \$25 each
 Beginners-Achievers level
**Must be 5 years old*

Full Payment is required at the time of registration.....Classes will fill fast!

Gymnast _____ Age _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Parents _____ Cell # _____
 Email Address _____

Beginners (M) _____ Intermediates (TH) _____
 Summer Day Camp:
 June 17th _____ June 24th _____ July 8th _____
 July 22nd _____ Aug 12th _____ Aug. 19th _____
 BHS Clinics July 24th _____ Aug 14th _____
 Send Registration to:
 Tammy Handevidt, 1519 North HWY, Jackson MN 56143
 Class sessions payable to: JCC
 Day Camp & Clinic Fees payable to: Tammy Handevidt

Gymnastics = Risk
 By the very nature of the activity, gymnastics carries a risk of physical injury. No matter how careful the gymnast and coach are, no matter how many spotters are used, no matter what height is used or what landing surface exists, the risk cannot be eliminated. Risk can be reduced, but never eliminated. The risk of injury includes minor injuries such as bruises and more serious injuries such as broken bones, dislocations, and muscle pulls. The risk also includes catastrophic injuries such as permanent paralysis or even death from landings or falls on the back, neck, or head.

I understand that JCC Public schools do not provide any accident or health insurance coverage for my child while participating in athletic programs. I fully understand that it is my responsibility to provide insurance for my child. I am aware that the school district DOES NOT cover athletic injuries. I agree not to hold Community Education, the school or anyone acting in it's behalf, responsible for an injury occurring to the student named in the proper course of such athletic activities or travel.

I have read the foregoing and will abide by the principles and regulations contained therein. I hereby give my consent for the gymnast named to participate.

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____

**Classes & Clinics fill fast.....
 Send your registration in right away!**

ZUMBA® FITNESS CLASS

Looking for a fun work out? The Zumba® Fitness Class is a fun, effective, easy-to follow, Latin-inspired, calorie burning dance and fitness super fun class! Dance, feel the music, and let loose. Come and join us as we dance our way fit! Make sure to wear comfortable clothes and shoes and bring a bottle of water.

Instructors: Luz Duvall & Larissa
 Dates: Mondays and Wednesdays
 March 30; April 1, 6, 8, 13, 15, 20, 22, 27, 29
 Time: 5:30-6:30 PM
 Location: Riverside Elementary Gym
 Fee: \$7 per class, pay at each class

No sign-up is required! Drop-in and pay for class as you go.
 For more information, follow MN Larissa Zumba Fitness Classes on Facebook.

Co-ed ADULT Summer SAND Volleyball League

Sand Volleyball League starts in June and runs all summer- every Thursday. This is league play but is family friendly! The Aquatic Center is close by as well as Tennis Courts, Baseball Fields and Basketball available to the kids!

Location: Lakefield Sand Volleyball Courts
 Times: Games at 6:00, 7:00, & 8:00 PM
 Please call: (605) 830-1717 or email: Christie.Anderson223@gmail.com



Strength & Conditioning

This summer, we are excited to offer strength and conditioning sessions with Mike Wierson once again on MONDAYS, TUESDAYS and THURSDAYS. NO CONTACT WEEK IS THE WEEK OF JULY 4th.

As soon as the sports schedules are finalized, our fitness center will be open for participants to engage in these valuable training opportunities. These sessions are designed to help athletes and fitness enthusiasts alike maintain and improve their physical fitness during the off-season.

Mike Wierson brings a wealth of experience and expertise, ensuring that each participant receives personalized guidance to maximize their performance and achieve their fitness goals.

Stay tuned for more details on the set schedule!

Fitness Center

The JCC High School Fitness Center offers a complete line of cardiovascular, free- weights, and strength training machines for a safe and effective exercise routine!

- JCC Student (Grade 6- Graduation): FREE
 *Students must be supervised by JCC Staff member at all times
- College Student with ID: \$75 semi-annual
- Individuals over 18: \$150 semi annual

Walking Track

Monday through Friday
 6:30 - 9:00 AM
 High School Gym
 ENTER THROUGH DOOR 2

Love and Logic Parenting Class

Facilitated by Licensed Social Worker, Angie Titus.

This class will provide support and information to learn hands on techniques that will work immediately for a child of any age!

HOW TO:

- Avoid power-struggles and arguments
- Give choices and set enforceable limits
- Avoid enabling and begin empowering your child
- teach problem solving skills to build self-esteem
- Help kids learn from their mistakes rather than repeat them
- Raise kids to be family team members and have fun parenting

Tuesday Nights- 5 Free Sessions

Love & Logic Workbook available for FREE!

*Please reach out if you need help with childcare as we may provide it if there is a need.

Call Family Services Network
at 507-847-4441 to register.

Space is limited. Register by April 1st
ANYONE is Welcome!

Lakefield Junior Golf Camp

In loving memory of Ben Presthus.

Location: Valley Brook Golf Course, Lakefield MN

Practice Dates: June 2, 3, 4

Grades: 2-4 8:30 - 9:30 AM | Grades: 5-7 : 9:45 - 10:45 AM

Tournament Date: June 5th

Tournament Times: Starts at 9:30 AM until done (usually around noon)

Fee: \$50 | Additional siblings \$20 each

Sign up deadline: May 20th

Registration includes a t-shirt.



First Aid & CPR Training

Learn Life-Saving Skills!

Join Our First Aid & CPR Training

Date: Spring TBD

Time: 8:00 AM - Noon

Location: JCC Middle School

Fee: \$35.00

What You'll Learn:

- How to perform CPR on adults, children, and infants
- Basic first aid for injuries, burns, and other common emergencies
- How to handle choking, cardiac arrests, and more

This class is perfect for Middle Schoolers before summer!

Pickleball

Lakefield

Supervisor: Kortney Nesseth

Date: Year Round Monday & Wednesday | 6:00-8:00 PM

Location: JCC Middle School

Fee: \$2.00 per night, pay at the door. Punch cards available.

Jackson

Supervisors: Kortney Nesseth

Date: Sundays - Year-round | 5:30 - 7:30 PM

Location: JCC High School Aux Gym

Fee: \$2.00 per night, pay at the door. Punch cards available.



Upcoming Classes being offered at the Lakefield Stitching Studio:

Quilting from the Beginning/101 -

Saturday, February 14th at 9:00 AM - \$25

Have you had an interest in learning to quilt? Or want to become more confident in your quilting skills? This class will teach you the very basics of quilting and prepare you for more challenging and exciting projects!

Bargello -

Saturday, February 21st at 9:00 AM - \$25

For this class we will use a pattern by Mike Ellingson. Choose your panel and 10 corresponding Fat Quarters and you will create an impressive Panel Bargello wall hanging!



T-Shirt Quilt -

Monday, March 16th at 5:30 PM AND Saturday, March 28th at 9:00 AM - \$40

It's time to get started on a memory quilt for that special graduate! Or maybe your own pile of T-Shirts you've been saving for a project. With great success in our fall class, we are offering another T-Shirt Quilt Class this spring!



One Block Wonder -

Saturday, April 11th at 9:00 AM - \$40

This class will show you how to make a quilt with just ONE fabric cut on the printed repeat! This class is for advanced quilters. Class limit of 6.

Serappy Majestic Mountain -

Monday, April 27th at 5:30 PM - \$25

A fun technique to make your choice of a table runner, baby quilt or large quilt! We will be using a free pattern by Bonnie Hunter.



Jelly Roll Quilt -

Saturday, May 16th at 9:00 AM - \$25

Are you a new quilter, or struggle with selecting just the right fabric? This class is for you! Buy one pre-cut Jelly Roll and choose between two quilt patterns.

There will be samples for you to view at the studio for each of these. If you are interested in any of these classes or have any questions, please stop in the Stitching Studio or give us a call!

315 Main St, Suite 100

Lakefield, MN 56150

507-841-5870 (calls only, we do not receive text messages)

Important note: You will need a sewing machine that is in good, working order and that you are familiar with. You will also need basic sewing supplies including extra machine needles, quilting rulers, rotary cutter, sewing pins, etc. Purchase of a pattern may be necessary for some classes.

JACKSON PUBLIC POOL



LUNCH HOUR LAPS

Make aqua jogging, water-walking, and lap swimming part of your life-long fitness goals. Allow lunch hour laps to fit into your busy schedule and help you stay on track!

Date: Tuesdays, Thursdays, & Saturdays

Time: 11:30 AM - 1:00 AM

Location: Jackson Indoor Pool

*no pre-registration

**Watch the pool schedule/facebook for changes.

DEB'S WATER AEROBICS

Relax, lose weight, tone up, and jam out during water aerobics! This low-impact activity is great for sore muscles and joint pain sufferers.

Instructor: Deb Hample

Date: Mondays, Wednesdays, & Fridays

Time: 6:45 AM

Location: Jackson Indoor Pool

Fee: \$5.00 per class, no pre-registration

*Watch the pool schedule for changes.

Follow us for the latest:



Jackson County Central Pool

www.jccschools.com/swimmingpool

Sign up for reminders

using the Group Me App!

American Red Cross – Lifeguard Certification & Recertification

The Jackson Pool is not having a course this spring or summer. Please look for information at the Worthington YMCA, Luverne Aquatic and Recreation Center, Midco or the American Red Cross Website.



Summer 2026 JCC Indoor Pool Pass

Good for unlimited open swim times
June 1 - September 1, 2026.

Youth \$40.00
Family \$95.00

- Pool passes for youth 0-18 years,
- Family pass is for household families only
- Children ages 8 and under must be accompanied, at all times, by someone 14 years or older.
- Pool Pass listing will be kept at the pool front counter. You must sign in each day.

Rates:

Daily Rates

- Ages 0-4, \$1.00
- Ages 5-18, \$3.00
- Ages 19-64, \$4.00
- Ages 65+, \$3.00
- Sauna \$1.00

- Punch Card - \$35.00 for 12 punches
- Single Monthly - \$20.00
- Single Yearly - \$200.00
- Family Monthly - \$40.00
- Family Yearly - \$400.00

Jackson Splash Pad

Make a splash this summer at the Jackson Splash Pad! Designed for safe fun, our zero-depth water features include exciting sprays, dump buckets, water cannons and more! Bathrooms, shade, benches, picnic tables, and ADA accessibility make this sun for everyone. Where: High School Softball Fields
Fee: FREE!

Dates: Open Memorial Day through Labor Day
Times: 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Summer 2026 Swim Lesson Registration

We are working on setting our dates for swim lessons for Summer of 2026!

Level options will be available to view on the pool website starting April 10th.

Registration will open on April 15, 2026.

- Classes minimum 4 | Maximum 8
- Classes are first come, first serve.
- Select BOTH a time and level option.
- One registration form per swimmer per session.
- Must be at least age 4 for preschool
- Must be at least age 5 and Just finished Kindergarten for level one.
- Only swimmers allowed in the pool area once lessons begin. Guests can watch on Friday's.



Scan QR code to
get on the
swimming lesson
information list!



OPENING FOR THE SEASON IN JUNE!

2026 RATES:

- \$6.00 Daily
- \$55.00 Punch Card
- \$160.00 Family Pass
- \$90.00 Individual Pass
- \$80.00 Senior Pass

HOURS

Monday - Saturday
1:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Sunday
1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

NOW HIRING!

Manager
Lifeguards
Concession Workers

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You must be 14 to apply for concessions
15+ for lifeguards

*Reimbursement incentive for certification classes.

Apply at Lakefield City Hall
City Hall: 507-662-5457 Pool: (507) 662-6133



Driver's Education

JR's Driving Institute offers professional drivers education which includes classroom and behind the wheel instruction for the Jackson, Windom, HLO & Russell / Tyler / Ruthton Minnesota area.

We are fully licensed and certified by the Minnesota Department of Public Safety, ensuring a safe, high-quality learning experience for every student.

"I'm committed to making driver's education safe, supportive, and enjoyable. My goal is to help young drivers build the skills and confidence they need for a lifetime of responsible driving."

Steps to getting your driver's license:

- 30 hours of classroom training
- Must be 15, take & pass permit test
- 6 hours behind the wheel training
- 50 hours logged, supervised driving
- Must be 16, take & pass license exam
- Must have permit for 6 months before taking the exam
- Must be 14 by the first day of class.

Register Today!
jrsdrivinginstitute@gmail.com
507-841-1711
jrsdrivinged.com



Windom Youth Hockey Association

2026-2027 New Player Registration

Let's Play Hockey!
 Join the Team, Learn the Game, Have Fun!

Mite Program includes:

- Boys and girls ages 4-9
- First-year Mite hockey registration is \$50.00
- Skating experience not required, and all equipment is provided for first-year skaters, including jersey (player get to keep the jersey)
- Practices vary from 1-3 sessions per week (November - March)

New Player Registration for Girls 12U and Boys Squirt (10U) also highly encouraged.

Visit windomhockey.com for more information.



ARE YOU 18 YEARS OLD? Estate Planning Is For Everyone!

With graduation just around the corner, Attorney Ashley Schmit from Focused Law Firm will be sharing important planning that should be done for EVERYONE after they turn 18 years old. This FREE one-hour presentation will introduce you to the world of estate planning.

Topics will include:

- Incapacity Planning: Who can talk to your doctors and see your medical records?
Who can take care of your money and pay your bills?
- Digital Property: What happens to everything you have stored “in the cloud” or on your phone?
- Basic Estate Planning: Do you need a Will or a Trust? What is probate and can you avoid it?

Date/Time:

Sunday, March 15, 2026 at 5:00 PM or Tuesday, March 24, 2026 at 7:30 PM

Location: LaCanne Family Celebration of Life Center
(1000 Prospect Lane, Jackson, MN 56143)

The LaCanne Family has generously allowed its Community Room to be used for these presentations!

Register by Friday, March 13th

Text your name (first/last) and the number of people attending to (507) 847-3239.



Jackson Food Shelf

1229 North Highway
 PO Box 3 Jackson MN 56143
 Email: jacksonfoodshelf@gmail.com
 Facebook: Jackson Minnesota Food Shelf, Inc
 Hours of Distribution:

- Tuesday 10:00 - 11:00 AM
- Thursday 4:00 - 6:00 PM

Lakefield Food Shelf

Location: 416 Broadway, Lakefield
 Contact: Connie Rossow
 Phone: 507-841-3350
 Email: connie@therossows.com
 Facebook: Lakefield MN Food Shelf
 Hours of Service: First Tuesday: 1:00 - 2:00 PM
 All other Tuesdays 4:30 - 5:30 PM

Women’s Self-Defense

Build confidence, awareness, and practical skills in this empowering Women’s Self-Defense Course led by AJ from the 362 Training Center. Participants will learn simple, effective techniques designed to increase personal safety, improve reaction time, and strengthen situational awareness. This hands-on class focuses on real-world scenarios in a supportive, encouraging environment—helping women of all fitness levels feel stronger, safer, and more prepared.

Location: Jackson County Central High School
 Dates: Wednesday, May 6th
 Time: 5:30 - 6:30 PM
 Free gift for anyone who signs up early!
 Instructor: AJ with 362 Training Center in Estherville



DEFENSIVE DRIVING

Defensive driving courses last 4 hours for both newcomers and those seeking a refresher. Be sure to check with your insurance agent to find out how completing this course could earn you a discount on your auto insurance!

Lakefield

March 17th
 Time: 1:00 - 5:00 PM
 Class location: Lakefield VFW
 Fee: \$40 per person

Jackson

April 14th
 Time: 12:00 - 4:00 PM
 Class location: Senior Dining Center
 Fee: \$40 per person

To sign-up you can register online or call Community Education for Lakefield class and Kelsey for Jackson classes.

CommunityEducation@jccschools.net
 JCC Community Education: 507-847-3608
 kbeyer@cityofjacksonmn.com
 Kelsey, Senior Dining: 507-830-1001



Let's Dance!



Time to hit the dance floor. Jeff and Kathy Voss will teach you to waltz, polka, two-step, and jitterbug/swing in just a few sessions. You will be ready for a fun night out or that wedding this summer! Sign up individually or grab your partner and get ready to groove! Participants should bring a water bottle and wear glide-worthy shoes.

Instructors: Jeff and Kathy Voss
 Dates: Saturdays, February 28, March 7, 14, 21
 Time: 6:30 - 7:30 PM
 Location: Jackson Senior Dining Center
 Fee: \$80 per couple or \$40 per individual
 *This class has a maximum of 10 couples.

Investing 101

Do you have the information you need to make decision about your financial goals?

At our financial workshop, you'll learn key principles of saving and investing, as well as learn specific strategies to help you reach your long-term financial goals.

Financial fitness - Power of budgeting

Wednesday, March 4th from 1:45 - 3:15 PM

Outsmart the scammers

Wednesday, March 4th from 1:45 - 3:15 PM

Financial fitness - Power of budgeting

Wednesday, April 1st from 1:45 - 3:15 PM

Foundations of investing

Wednesday, April 1st from 1:45 - 3:15 PM

Location: Jackson Senior Dining Center
 Fee: FREE!
 Please call 507-847-3333 to reserve a spot!



Jackson Senior Active Living

Contact Us

☎ 507-830-1001

✉ kbeyer@cityofjacksonmn.com

📍 Jackson Active Living Center
311 3rd Street Jackson, MN



MONTHLY CALENDAR

CLASS OFFERINGS

DAILY ACTIVITIES

MONTHLY EVENTS

SENIOR DINING

MONDAY-FRIDAY
11:30 AM

POTLUCK

Our potluck is held the third Saturday of every month. Come meet new people and bring a dish to share!

CARD CLUB

MONDAYS
1:00 - 4:00 PM
READY FOR 500?
& OTHER GAMES AS WELL

BINGO

WEDNESDAYS
12:30 - 1:30 PM
TEST YOUR LUCK
AND WIN A PRIZE!

MOVIE DAY

JOIN US FOR A MOVIE VIEWING THE SECOND FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH. BEVERAGES AND SNACK PROVIDED!!



Meals

Meals are provided through Luthern Social Services. Please contact the Senior Dining Center for more information/pricing. Meals on Wheels is also available!

Head Start



Head Start is a FREE, family-focused preschool program for income-eligible children ages 3 to 5. Head Start is a comprehensive program that provides a quality preschool experience while helping parents to assure that children are receiving needed health, dental, and nutrition education and services. In Jackson County, Head Start is provided by United Community Action.

Children may participate in our classroom program which meets in Jackson 4 days/week for 6 hours each day during the school year. Transportation is provided within the City of Jackson. Free breakfast and lunch is provided. Early Head Start is for children ages birth - 3 years old. Weekly home visits with these families as well as occasional group meetings are done. For information about Head Start, contact United Community Action at 1-800-992-1710.

- ♥ School Readiness
- ♥ Family Engagement
- ♥ Health and Wellness
- ♥ Nutrition

Email: headstartinfo@unitedcapmn.org
 Online: www.unitedcapmn.org/services/headstart
 Call: 1-800-992-1710



Scan QR code to complete an application.



Community Transit

for Jackson and Cottonwood Counties

Community Transit of United Community Action Partnership is available to provide transportation for riders of all ages and incomes.

- Our lift accessible buses operate Monday - Fridays, 6:30 AM to 6:00 PM.
- Dispatch hours are Monday - Friday, 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM.
- Ride requests are to be scheduled 24 hours in advance.
- Monthly unlimited bus ride coupons are available.

Volunteer drivers who drive their own vehicles are also available for rides to areas or hours not served by the buses.

Contact Community Transit at 507-847-2632, ext. 1

City-Wide Clean-up

Jackson

June 13th - West Side
 June 20th - East Side
 September 19th - West Side
 September 26th - East Side

Lakefield

June 2nd, 3rd, & 4th



City-Wide Garage Sales

Jackson

May 5th - 7th
 Watch for listings in the Jackson County Pilot!

Lakefield

June 4th - 6th
 Follow Lakefield MN Garage Sales on Facebook

Summer Celebrations



Lakefield Summerfest June 15-21, 2026

It's all about celebrating 250 years of America and looking ahead to the next 250!

It's going to be one big birthday party – and Lakefield is the host!

Rhythm of the River July 10-11, 2026

Promoting the Arts and Celebrating our Community!

Fort Belmont, 217 Belmont Street, Jackson
www.rhythmoftheriver.org



158th Jackson County Fair July 28-August 1, 2026

Discover a host of new events, attractions, contests, and vendors. Enjoy tons of FREE family entertainment. Don't miss out on Bull Riding, Barrel Racing, Kid's Day, BARnYard events, Memorial Race, Truck Pull & more!

www.jacksoncountyfairmn.org



Pioneer Days Rendezvous August 22-23, 2026

Join us for cannon blasts, crafts, food, music, and more as history comes alive on the Minnesota frontier.

Fort Belmont, 217 Belmont Street, Jackson
www.rhythmoftheriver.org





4-H is a hands-on learning program for all Minnesota youth grades K-13.

We offer online, small group, & independent learning experiences for all youth and their families to participate at little to no cost.

In 4-H, youth choose the topic they find interesting and caring adults support their learning and leadership.

General 4-H Project Opportunities

- SWIM (Seeing Wellness in Motion)
 - May-July program
 - Learn the fundamentals of swimming along with educational opportunities around health, wellness and staying in motion.
- Shooting Sports and Wildlife
 - Learn important life skills through safe and educational experiences. Youth who are in K-2 grades can only participate in Wildlife activities.
- Robotics & STEM
- Performance Arts
- Photography
- Food & Nutrition
- Learn about all 4-H project areas at: z.umn.edu/4h-projects.

Animal Science 4-H Opportunities

- Show an animal at the Fair
 - We have livestock shows for beef, dairy, swine, meat goat, sheep, rabbit, poultry, horse, and pets!
 - Showmanship and interviews opportunities
- General Livestock judging team
 - Grade 3-12
 - Learn about beef, meat goat, sheep, and swine
 - Compete individually or as a team at a local, regional, state, and even national level
- The Beef Breakdown
 - Come learn the basics of caring for your beef animal and show etiquette so you're ready at home and the fair.
- Animal Leasing is available

Upcoming Dates

- 4/12- the Beef Breakdown at Jackson Fairgrounds
 - 5/15- Animal ID Deadline in 4-H Online - Required to show animals at the fair.
 - 5/25- Fair Registration opens
 - 4-H youth sign up to bring 4-H projects to the Jackson County Fair!
 - 6/9-6/12- YELLO (Youth Exploring Leadership & Learning Opportunities) conference
 - 6/24-6/26 - Camp Shetek- 4-H Camp is the perfect way for youth to unplug, explore the outdoors, and make new friends!
 - 6/25 - Fair Registration closes
 - 7/28-8/1- Jackson County Fair
- Stay tuned: dates coming soon for our 4-H Summer Camps located here in Jackson County.



CONTACT JACKSON COUNTY 4-H

TO LEARN MORE OR TO REGISTER FOR A 4-H EVENT:

607 STATE HIGHWAY 86
LAKEFIELD, MN 56150

EXTENSION.UMN.EDU/JACKSON

507-662-5293

MNEXT-JACKSON@UMN.EDU

[Z.UMN.EDU/JACKSONCO4HONFB](https://z.umn.edu/JACKSONCO4HONFB)

z.umn.edu/JacksonCo4HGoogleCal



JOIN 4-H TODAY!

BECOME A 4-H VOLUNTEER!



Like and follow us on Facebook!



UNEARTH A STORY™

2026 SUMMER LIBRARY PROGRAM

Main Events

ZOO MAN!

Jackson - June 10 at 10:00 am, 2:00 pm
& 6:00 pm at Riverside Elementary

Lakefield - June 11 at 10:00 am & 1:00 pm
Location to be announced

Heron Lake - June 11 at 4:00 pm

BALLOON ARTISTRY with Mandana

Riverside Elementary
June 17 from 10:00 am to 10:45 AM

Free bus transportation from Okabena,
Heron Lake and Lakefield is available.

Contact your library for
more information.

SAFARI BOB

Jackson - June 24 at 10:00 am & 2:00 pm
at Riverside Elementary

Lakefield - *MONDAY* June 22 at 10:00 am
& 1:00 pm

Heron Lake - *MONDAY* June 22 at 4:00 pm

MESOZOIC ADVENTURE

MAGIC WITH TOBY KID

Jackson - July 1 at 10:00 am & 2:00 pm
at Riverside Elementary

Lakefield - July 2 at 10:00 am & 1:00 pm

Heron Lake - July 2 at 4:00 pm

Summer Storytime

For Toddlers-Early Elementary

Jackson:

Mondays at 10:00 am, June 8 - August 17

Lakefield:

Tuesdays at 10:00 am, June 9 - August 18

Heron Lake:

Tuesdays at 10:00 am, June 9 - August 18

READING INCENTIVES FOR ALL AGES

Registration begins June 1

Final Day to collect prizes is August 21

Register in person, by phone, or online at
jclmn.org/summer

Infant & Toddler - Easy, fun activities to complete with
your little one during the summer.

PreK-4th Grade - Complete literacy activities on the
activity log to earn Reading Trading
Cards and 24 activities to earn another
prize.

Tween, Grades 5-7 - Keep track of your
minutes read to
earn prizes and a
BINGO card.

Teens, Grades 8-12 - Keep track of your minutes read to
earn prizes and a BINGO card.

Adult - Get a BINGO by reading to earn prizes.

Complete activities as a family to get a
Family - BINGO and earn a prize.

CRAFT KITS FOR ALL AGES

Craft kits include supplies and instructions and will be
available while supplies last. Call the library to reserve your
craft kit up to one week in advance.

- Storytime craft kits for Toddler through PreK will be
available in June, July, and August.
- Children's craft kits for Kindergarten through 4th Grade
will be available in June, July, and August.
- Tweens, Teens and Adults monthly craft kits will be
available in June, July, and August.

STEAM TIME!

Explore science, technology, engineering, art, and math with
fun experiments and projects in this exciting weekly program!

Registration is required for each session.

Dates: June 12, June 26, July 10, & July 24

Location and Times:

Heron Lake: 9:45 am - 10:30 am

Jackson & Lakefield: 12:00 pm - 12:45 pm

CRAFTERNOON

Stop into the library for some creative time! Craft supplies will be
available for you to have fun and create something new each
week from your own imagination.

Lakefield: Wednesdays, 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm, June 10 - August 19

Heron Lake: Wednesdays, 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm, June 10 - August 19

Jackson: Thursdays, 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm, June 11 - August 20

TWEEN & TEEN EVENTS

The Jackson County Libraries in Jackson, Lakefield, and Heron
Lake will be holding Tween and Teen events during the
summer. Check with your local library for a schedule and to
register for events. Watch for more details.

Adult Spring Programs

The Jackson County Library System has free events for adults!



BANANA BREAD GUYS!

Join Zeke Hanson and Nathan Maas from Sioux Falls, SD, on April 8 for a unique and entertaining program focused on banana bread. Known for their humor and storytelling, they have gained a social media following sharing tips and stories about this beloved treat. Their presentation will take place at 12:00 pm at Jackson Library, 2:30 pm at Lakefield Library, and 5:30 pm at Heron Lake Library.

KOZY HEAT - CELEBRATING 50 YEARS!

Join us on April 22 at 2:00 pm for a celebration of Kozy Heat's 50 years in Lakefield. Heather Hussong Reasoner, Jim Hussong, and Dudley Hussong will share stories and insights about the family-owned business, highlighting its history and significance. Attendees will gain firsthand accounts and behind-the-scenes details.

END OF LIFE PREPARATIONS

The Jackson Library hosts a free program, "End-of-Life Preparations," by Attorney Ashley Schmidt on Wednesday, May 13 at 12:00 pm. The session will cover essential legal and practical aspects of end-of-life planning, including wills, powers of attorney, and health care directives, helping attendees make informed decisions confidently.

FARM DEBT CRISIS OF 1980

The Lakefield Library will host a free educational program on the 1980s Farm Debt Crisis, presented by local attorney Pat Costello, on Wednesday, May 13 at 2:00 pm. This session will explore the economic factors leading to the crisis and its ongoing effects on rural communities and family farms, highlighting the financial, legal, and personal challenges faced by farmers during that time.

PUZZLE COMPETITION

The Heron Lake Library is hosting another puzzle competition! Register your team of 2-4 to compete on May 13 at 5:00 pm.

Summer Family Events

Dive into the exciting events below that are fun for everyone, then zip over to our website, jclmn.org/summer, for even more! We've got so many all-ages happenings that we couldn't squeeze them all in here—this summer is shaping up to be a blast! Swing by any of our three libraries to snag a handout packed with our summer festivities starting in May. We're buzzing with excitement to see you there!

JACKSON LIBRARY

311 3rd Street, Jackson, MN 56143
(507) 847-4748

Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday 10:00 am - 7:00 pm
Wednesday, Friday 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

LAKEFIELD LIBRARY

410 Main Street, Lakefield, MN 56150
(507) 662-5782

Monday 1:00 pm - 5:30 pm
Tuesday, Wednesday 11:00 am - 5:30 pm
Thursday 11:00 am - 7:00 pm
Friday 11:00 am - 5:00 pm

HERON LAKE LIBRARY

401 9th Street Heron Lake, MN 56137
(507) 793-2641

Tuesday, Thursday 1:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Wednesday 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Friday 11:30 am - 5:00 pm

BEDTIME STORYHOUR

Come in your pajamas! For toddlers through early elementary children. Bedtime storyhour is hosted in each library once a month.

STORY STROLL

Back by popular demand! Read a story as you stroll together in Lakefield, Jackson, and Heron Lake.

Dates of new stories:

June 8, June 22, July 6, July 20, August 3, and August 17

FAMILY BINGO

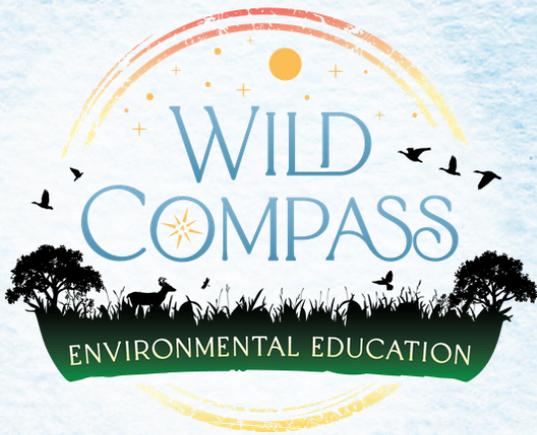
Bring the whole family to each library for a fun night of BINGO!

LLAMA PARTY!

Join in the llama fun and meet some real life llamas! Carlson's Lovable Llamas will be at the libraries to share fascinating facts about llamas. Everyone gets a chance to meet the llamas, feed them treats and take fun pictures!

THEY WILL VISIT JACKSON AND LAKEFIELD IN AUGUST!

SUMMER HOURS: MAY 25 - SEPTEMBER 7
WEBSITE: WWW.JCLMN.ORG



Nurturing a passion for nature with hands-on environmental education.

CONTACT WILD COMPASS!

✉ **info@wildcompass.org**

☎ **507-662-5064**

🌐 **wildcompass.org**

📘 **Wild Compass Environmental Education**
📷 **wildcompassee**

Garden Club

2nd grade and up
Tuesdays May - September
Garden Clean-Up Day TBD
During school year - 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm
During summer - 8:00 am to 10:00 am
Cost: \$120



Wild Compass Garden Club is a summer-long adventure in growing food, confidence, and environmental stewardship. Kids design and manage their own gardens from seed to harvest, while learning about soil health, pollinators, and water conservation. Through hands-on science, outdoor exploration, and sustainable gardening practices, participants don't just plant vegetables - they discover how their garden fits into the bigger natural world and leave empowered as thoughtful caretakers of the land.

SPARKS PARK

Come visit Sparks Park, home of WCEE. Walk the free trails through wooded areas, cross the creek, and explore the prairie!

Open to the Public



**939 N Hwy 86, PO Box 429
Lakefield, MN 56150**



Trail Map

Summer Kick Off

Come kick off summer with Wild Compass! Join us at Sparks Park on June 14th from 1-5 PM for a FREE family-friendly, outdoor celebration. Enjoy games and activities for the whole family!



Yard Games ~ Hikes ~ Story Walk ~ Snacks
Obstacle Course ~ Scavenger Hunt ~ Naturalist Shows



REGISTER NOW FOR SUMMER CAMPS!

Descriptions on Next Page!



PREK - KINDERGARTEN CAMPS

Pollinator Party

July 1st - 2nd | 9:00 am - noon

Cost: \$55

What's that sound? Pollinators having a party in the garden! Join Wild Compass Naturalists to learn all about the different kinds of pollinators, what they do, and why they are important. Busy Bee Campers will even bring home a special pollinator surprise.

Move Your Messy Body

August 3rd - 4th | 9:00 am - noon

Cost: \$55

The world was meant to be explored, especially for little ones! Come and play using all five senses to make discoveries in the natural world around us! Come prepared to get messy!

1ST - 3RD GRADE CAMPS

3, 2, 1 Blastoff!

June 16th - 19th | 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Cost: \$120

Shoot for the stars as we explore the solar system. Discover what it takes to become an astronaut, explore the planets, and find out if there really is life beyond our star.

Adventures in Art

July 9th | 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Cost: \$45

Create, explore, and get a little messy as we turn Sparks Park into our art studio! We'll wander the outdoors collecting paintbrushes, paints, stamps, and more - all from the items nature provides. Bring your creativity and imagination as we take an adventure in art!

Oh, the Nature You'll See!

July 13th - 16th | 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Cost: \$130

Can you see miles and miles of reptiles? How about our fine feathered friends? Some animals will be out of sight till tonight! Come let your imagination soar at this Dr. Seuss themed nature camp!

4TH - 6TH GRADE CAMPS

Survivor: Wild Compass

June 23rd - 26th | 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Cost: \$135

If you were stranded on a desert island and could only have three things, what would they be? Come see if you chose wisely as we hone survival skills like knot-tying, fire and shelter building, and more!

Flower Power

July 22nd - 23rd | 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Cost: \$75

Let your creativity bloom as we dig into the colorful world of plants. Find out how plants live and grow, gather inspiration from the outdoors to create masterpieces, and design your very own floral arrangement.

Important Camp Information

- Free bussing may be available.
- Scholarships available. Visit our website or email us for a scholarship application.
- Order Camp t-shirts by May 20th.
- Registrations are due 3 days before camp
- Payment is due before the first day of camp.
- Cancellations 1 week before camp will receive 100% refund, There will be no refunds for cancellations after that.
- Cardinal Point Club members receive a 10% discount on camps!

How Do Dinosaurs Go To Camp?

July 7th - 8th | 9:00 am - noon

Cost: \$50 non-members

Bring your favorite dinosaur to camp as we explore the prehistoric world. Become a paleontologist, dig for fossils, and learn about the animals that lived here millions of years ago.

Gonna Be Golden

August 5th | 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Cost: \$40

Team up with the members of Huntrix as we battle Gwima's takeover of Sparks Park. Create your own band, write a takedown song, and rescue the creatures of Sparks Park in this camp inspired by KPop Demon Hunters.

Biome Block Builders

August 12th - 13th | 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Cost: \$70

Build. Explore. Learn. This summer watch Minecraft come alive as we learn about the real life parallels in our woods, prairies, and wetlands! Create your own characters, tools, and inventories as you move about the real world. No computers or minecraft experience necessary.

Gonna Be Golden

August 6th | 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Cost: \$40

Team up with the members of Huntrix as we battle Gwima's takeover of Sparks Park. Create your own band, write a takedown song, and rescue the creatures of Sparks Park in this camp inspired by KPop Demon Hunters.

Wet and Wild

August 18th - 21st | 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Cost: \$130

Water water everywhere! It's the height of Summer and we're ready to get wet! Explore the science behind H2O through experiments and games as well as discover the animals that thrive in it!



TOP 3 REASONS
most Huskies chose **NOT** to drink alcohol in the last month:

- 1 My family would not approve
- 2 I don't see any benefits of using it
- 3 It could lower my grades in school

We are 

Data based on the 2024 PCN Student Survey of 447 students from JCC in grades 6-12. Funded by MN DHS BHA

JOIN PATH FOR A
AFTER SCHOOL
MOVIE

For JCC Students
in 6th-12th Grades

APRIL 29, 2026
PLEASANTVIEW GYM
3:30PM-4:30PM



PATH
POSITIVE ACTIONS TOWARDS HEALTH

YOU ARE INVITED TO

Free Swim

For 6th -12th Grade JCC Students

MARCH 6, 2026

7:00-8:30 PM

JACKSON COUNTY
CENTRAL POOL



PATH

POSITIVE ACTIONS TOWARDS HEALTH

DID YOU KNOW?

MOST HUSKIES WOULD RATHER NOT DRINK ALCOHOL, VAPE, OR USE MARIJUANA WHEN HANGING OUT WITH FRIENDS.*

*Based on 2024 student PCN survey funded by MN-DHS-BHA

10th Annual JCC K - 12

ART SHOW



March 2 - 27

AFTER SCHOOL
until 6pm

- Monday
- Tuesday
- Wednesday
- Friday

Thursday
Nights
630 - 830

309 2nd Street
DOWNTOWN
Jackson



Sunday Afternoons March 8 & 24th 3 - 5 pm

JACKSON COUNTY CENTRAL

BAND CONCERTS

March 9th

7:00 PM

JCC Auditorium

May 18th

7:00 PM

JCC Auditorium

SPRING SPORTS



MEETING

MONDAY, MARCH 2ND
AT 5:30 PM



SUPPLIES FOR KIDS

Father Daughter Dance

DANCING THROUGH THE DECADES

Saturday
February 28,
6:00-8:00pm
at the Jackson Armory

Tickets on sale
 2/13/26-2/27/26

You can purchase at
 Smokin' Java
 Bridget's Bucksnots,
 SOJOs
 Dudley's Garage

Pre-sale
\$25/couple,
\$10/extra



JACKSON COUNTY CENTRAL CHOIR CONCERTS

March 23rd
 7:00 PM
 JCC Auditorium

May 11th
 7:00 PM
 JCC Auditorium

2026

TRAP SHOOTING

Registration is due March 19th by noon. This is a **HARD** date.

NO ADDITIONS AFTER.

- Must have your Gun Safety Certificate
- More information on QR Code.Link also will be found on the JCC Agriculture Department and FFA Chapter Facebook Page.
- Follows the MSHSL Rules and Expectations



WILL START MARCH 29TH



Contact
 kate.anderson@jccschools.net

JACKSON COUNTY CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL DAY OF SERVICE



HUSKIES GIVE BACK

Jackson & Lakefield businesses — do you have a project that could use extra hands? JCC High School students are ready to help with outdoor clean-up, organizing, light maintenance, window washing, simple cleaning, and more. It's a great way to tackle projects while partnering with the next generation of Huskies!

9 A.M TO NOON

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MAY

SIGN UP BY MARCH 24, 2026

COMPLETE THIS
 GOOGLE FORM:



<https://forms.gle/9KrhChGSUjLHFYc17>

OR CONTACT
 KATE
 ANDERSON:
 kate.anderson@jccschools.net

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REGISTRATION MADE EASY:

Mail in registration forms to:
 JCC Community Education
 PO BOX 119
 Jackson, MN 56143

Drop off registration forms to:
 JCC High School, Door #2
 Any Other Campus, Attn: Community Education

Email questions to:
 CommunityEducation@jccschools.net

Call with questions, comments or feedback
 (507) 847 - 6627

Register Early: Avoid disappointment. Many classes have limited enrollment and are filled on a first come, first serve basis. On the flip side, if minimums are not met, classes are subject to cancellation.

Confirmation: Once your fee is paid, you are officially registered. Please plan to attend. You will only be notified if the class is cancelled.

Enrollment Cancellation: Please notify the Community Education Office prior to the first day of the class. Refunds will not be given if cancellation is received any later.

Inclement Weather: Weather-related changes will be announced on KKOJ 1190 AM / KRAQ 105.7 FM. Community Education classes are not held when school is cancelled.

REGISTRATIONS INFORMATION:

Participant Name: _____ Circle One: Male Female

Current Grade: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Does the participant require any accommodations (Circle One)? YES NO

If Yes, please explain: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Phone: (_____) _____ - _____

Email: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Ucare ID (if applicable): _____

Payment Included: CASH CHECK CHECK NUMBER _____

Shirt Size: Youth S M L XL | Adult S M L XL XXL

CIRCLE ONE:

Basketball - Boys	\$50.00	Gymnastics	See page 11
Basketball - Girls	\$50.00	Investing 101	FREE
CPR	\$35.00	Kickball	\$20.00
Dance Lessons	\$40.00	Pickleball	\$2.00 per night
Defensive Driving	\$40.00	Soccer	\$25.00
Estate Planning	FREE	Self Defense	FREE
Firearm Safety	\$15.00	Strength & Conditioning	FREE
Football Camp	\$150.00	Summer Ball	See page 10
Garden Club	\$50.00	Track	\$30.00
Golf Camp	\$50.00	Other: _____	

Skip the paper form, register online!



PARENT PERMISSION:
 I, the undersigned parent/guardian of the above identified, a minor child, hereby consent to the participation of said child in the JCC Community Education program, activity, or class and do further agree to hold harmless the Jackson County Community Education, its officers, directors, members, agents and employees from any and all claims, actions, or demands arising out of or which occur by reason of the participation of said minor.

X _____
 Signature of Parent/Guardian DATE