



JACKSON COUNTY
CENTRAL

FALL & WINTER

Community Education Catalog



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Enriching Lives. Strengthening Our Community.



Look Inside

As the seasons change, so do the opportunities to learn, connect, and grow. Whether you're looking to discover a new hobby, develop a skill, stay active, spend quality time with your family, or meet new people, we're excited to offer a variety of programs for all ages.

From youth activities and adult enrichment classes to aquatics, fitness, and lifelong learning, there's something for everyone in this catalog. We encourage you to take a few moments to explore all that we have to offer and register early, as many classes fill quickly.

-Jacqueline Knips
Community Education Coordinator



Weather Cancellations

Community Education follows the decision of the school district on all school days.

No School = No Community Education.

Late starts, early dismissals, and school cancellations will be announced through Infinite Campus, social media, and local radio.

We will broadcast on the following local radio & television stations: **AM 1190 / FM 105.7** and of course follow us on Facebook to stay up-to-date.



@JCC.CommEd
www.jccschools.com

Share your skills

What are your talents, hobbies, or special skills? We would love to have you share it! Teaching a Community Education course is a rewarding way to connect and inspire others.

Have an idea for a class? We want to hear that too!

Contact our office with suggestions.

Advisory Council

Under the direction of Sharon Johnson

JCC School Board Representatives:

Betty Hargan & Tina Polz

Superintendent: Dr. Mike Neubeck

Riverside Principal / ECFE: Amber Lessman

Public Members:

Angie Titus, Christie Anderson, Chris Scholten,
Erika Freking, Krystal Preuss, Kirk Dunlavey,
Melissa Ackermann, & Rachel Kruger



Our 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.

Adult Basic Education

The Southwest Adult Basic Education website provides classes around the area. Go to www.southwestabe.org for more information.

Jackson Food Shelf

Location: 1229 North Highway, Jackson
Email: jacksonfoodshelf@gmail.com
Facebook: Jackson Minnesota Food Shelf, Inc
Hours of Service:

- Tuesdays 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM
- Thursday 4:00 PM - 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:

- Thursdays 4:30 PM - 6:00 PM

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

Senior Active Living

Location: 311 3rd Street, Jackson
Contact: Kelsey Beyer
Phone: 507-830-1001
Email: kbeyer@cityofjacksonmn.com

Senior Dining is available Monday - Friday at 11:30 AM. Meals are provided through Lutheran Social Services. Meals on Wheels is also available.

Senior dining office potlucks every third Saturday, card club on Mondays, Bingo on Wednesdays, and Movies! Contact them today!

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 buildings/facilities is an important part of using our schools to the fullest extent.

The community education coordinator in cooperation with the business manager, and athletic director coordinates rental use of Jackson County Central School District #2895 buildings and other facilities.

TO RENT:

Email CommunityEducation@jccschools.net or call 847-6627.

Walking Track



As the weather cools down, walking indoors is a great way to stay active. We welcome you and ask that you wear clean, dry shoes.

Jackson - High School gym
Monday through Friday
6:35 - 8:00 AM & 3:00 - 5:00 PM
*Enter through door #1
8:00 - 3:00, main office sign in
*Enter through door #2

Lakefield - Middle School
Monday through Friday
7:00 - 8:00 AM & 3:00 - 5:00 PM

Community Transit

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, extension 1.



UCare members may be eligible for \$15 discount on most community education classes. If a class is less than \$15, The member may take the class free of charge. Members must be a UCare member at the time of the registration, and throughout the duration of the class. Members need to include their UCare ID at time of registration. Some restrictions apply.

Early Childhood Family Education

A program of Jackson County Central Community Education



Fall 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.

Fall Session at Riverside
Monday Nights
Sept. 28, Oct. 5, 12, 19, and 26
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.

Fall Session at Riverside
Friday Mornings
September 25, October 2, 9, 23 and 30
9:00-10:00 AM

Early Childhood Family Education provides services for parents and their children 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

Rocket Launch Night

Monday, Sept. 21
6:00-7:00 PM

Riverside Elementary
Preschool Rooms



Dude’s Night

Thursday, Oct. 29
6:00-7:00 PM

Riverside Elementary
Preschool Rooms

Join us for a night of fun activities and memory making!

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.



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**





Volleyball Clinic

Get ready to sharpen your skills, build confidence, and have fun on the court this fall! Join us for our FREE Volleyball Clinic on game days! Have fun on the court then stay to cheer on the team!

Dates: September 10, 17, 24
 Times: 3:45 - 4:45 PM
 Location: JCC High School Main Gym
 Instructor: Head Coach, Deidre Wierson
 Grades: 4, 5, 6
 Fee: FREE
 Register by: Thursday, September 10 at Noon

Volleyball - Train and Play

Fall Volleyball Train and Play is the perfect way to keep the fun going! Players will build skills and enjoy game play each week, in an uplifting and encouraging environment. Plus every participant will receive a volleyball to take home!

Dates: September 20, 27, October 4, 11
 Grades / Times: Grades 3-4 from 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM
 Grades 5-6 from 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM
 Location: JCC High School Main Gym
 Instructor: Janet Haren
 Fee: \$20
 Register by: Thursday, September 17 at Noon



Driver's Education



JR's Driving Institute offers professional drivers education which includes classroom and behind the wheel instruction. JR's Driving Institute is fully licensed and certified by the Minnesota Department of Public Safety, ensuring a safe, high-quality learning experience for every student.

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

Instructor: John Willey
 Email: jrsdrivinginstitute@gmail.com
 Phone: 507-841-1711
 Website: jrsdrivinged.com

Flag Football

Interested in Coaching? We Want YOU!

Our no contact flag football league gives participants the ability to develop their fundamental football skills in a positive environment. Kindergarteners will work on skills only, grades 1-6 will practice during the week and have games on Sunday afternoons. Each participant will receive an NFL Flag Football Jersey.

Game Dates: Sundays, September 20, 27, October 4, 11
 Practice Times: Kindergarten, 4:00 PM - 4:45 PM
 Grade 1-3, 5:00 PM - 5:45 PM
 Grades 4-6, 6:00 PM - 6:45 PM
 Game Location: High School Track
 Instructor: Travis Anderson & Mike Wierson
 Fee: \$40
 Register by: September 10 at Noon



Cheer Clinic

Get ready to jump, cheer, and show your Husky spirit! Junior Huskies Cheer Camp gives young cheerleaders the opportunity to practice with the JCC Varsity Cheer Team, learn fun cheers and routines, and perform during halftime of the Huskies' home football game against Luverne. Every participant will receive a Junior Huskies shirt and a coordinating hair bow to wear with pride!

Practice Dates: October 12, 13, & 14
Practice Times: 3:45 PM - 4:45 PM
Location: High School Commons
Instructor: Jill Winter
Grades: K - 5
Fee: \$50
Register by: October 1 at Noon

Performance:
October 14
Game Starts at
7:00 PM



Competition Cheer

Build confidence while learning teamwork through exciting routines, jumps, stunts, and cheers. Whether you're new to cheer or ready to take your skills to the next level, this is your chance to shine and compete!

Parent Meeting: September 3 @ 6:00 PM *Mandatory
Practice Dates: Tuesdays & Thursdays, October - January
Practice Times: 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Location: Riverside Elementary Gym
Instructor: Lizabeth Wade & Kayla Daberkow
Grades: K - 6
Fee: \$300 *Split into two payments
Questions? lizabethwade@gmail.com



Traveling Basketball

Youth Traveling Basketball offers boys and girls in grades 4-6 the opportunity to develop their skills, compete as a team, and represent JCC throughout the winter season. Teams typically practice 1-2 times per week (practice times are determined by each coach) and participate in 4-5 tournaments, with every effort made to keep travel within 90 miles. The season begins in mid-October and usually concludes in February. If you need a jersey, please indicate so on the form. Fee does not include jersey.

Grades: 4 - 6
Fee: \$100
Register by: October 2 at Noon



Pickleball

Grab a paddle and join the fun! Pickleball is a great way to stay active, meet new people, and enjoy friendly competition—all ages, skill levels, and abilities are welcome, whether you're picking up a paddle for the first time or you're an experienced player. We are now offering an annual fee to play as much as you want!

Location: High School Auxiliary Gym
Date / Time: Sundays, year-round, 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM
Location: Middle School Main Gym
Date / Time: Mondays & Wednesdays, year-round, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Supervisors: Jeff and Kathy Voss
Fee: \$2 per night or \$75 annual, no pre-registration



Fall/Winter GYMNASTICS

at JCC SATURDAYS



Beginners: 9:00–10:00 a.m.
Intermediates: 10:00–11:30 a.m.

Must be 5 years old to participate

Classes begin: Saturday, Oct. 10

All classes are held at the JCC HS (Gymnastics Room)

Door #12, Lower south door

FALL/WINTER GYMNASTICS SEASON

Oct. 10, 24, 31 Nov. 7, 14, 21
Dec. 6, 12, 19

No classes Oct. 17, Nov. 28, Dec. 26

TURKEY TUMBLE DAY CAMP



Nov. 27th
9:00–12:00

Cost: \$45 each

Must be 5 years old

Beginners–Achievers level

NEW YEAR, NEW SKILLS DAY CAMP



Dec. 29th
12:00–3:00

Cost: \$45 each

Must be 5 years old

Beginners–Achievers level

FROSTY FLIPS DAY CAMP



Jan. 18th
12:00–3:00

Cost: \$45 each

Must be 5 years old

Beginners–Achievers level

TUITION (FULL SEASON)

Beginners \$235.00

Intermediates \$285.00

If you would like to pay in 2 checks,
please post date half the amount
for October 1, 2026

**Full season payment is due
with Registration.**



GOLD MEDAL PERFORMANCE

January 10th
at 4:00 p.m.

Tickets will be
on-sale in late November.

GYMNASTICS POLICIES

- Gymnasts should wear leotards to practice (No tights, skirts or socks—Bare feet is preferred)
- All gymnasts must have their hair up tight for practice
- Take your child to the bathroom before class—coaches will not leave the gym to take a child to the bathroom.
- No gum, jewelry, food or drink in the gym—only water bottles
- Parents are not allowed in the gym during class.
- Please bring your child into the gym and wait right outside the gym doors to pick your child up after class.
- For parents who are waiting: there is a track upstairs and a cafeteria just down the hall from the gym.

**All communication will be through email,
so please provide email address below.**



Coaching Contact: Tammy Handevidt (jthandevidt@gmail.com)

Door opens 15 minutes before class. All classes are held at JCC HS Gymnastics Room.

REGISTRATION FORM

Gymnast _____ Age _____ Grade _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Parents/Guardian _____
Cell/Home # _____
Email Address _____

Full payment must be sent in with registration form.

☐ SATURDAY CLASSES (FULL SEASON)
☐ Beginners ☐ Intermediates

☐ TURKEY TUMBLE DAY CAMP
Nov. 27 9:00–12:00

☐ NEW YEAR, NEW SKILLS DAY CAMP
Dec. 29 12:00–3:00

☐ FROSTY FLIPS DAY CAMP
Jan. 18 12:00–3:00

PARENT/GUARDIAN AGREEMENT & RELEASE

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. 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 athletic injuries. I agree to hold Community Education, the school or anyone acting in its behalf, responsible for an injury occurring to the student named in the proper course of such athletic activities or travel.

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____



SEND REGISTRATION TO:

Tammy Handevidt
1519 North Hwy
Jackson, MN 56143

Day Camp Fees are payable to:
Tammy Handevidt
Full Season Fees are payable to:
JCC Schools





Location: Riverside Elementary Gym
 Date / Time: Wednesdays, 5:30 PM
 *Follow MN Larissa Zumba Fitness Classes on Facebook for the official fall start date.
 Instructors: Larissa & Luz
 Fee: \$5 per class, no pre-registration

Alumni Cheerleading

We want you back on the field! Whether you cheered for football, basketball, wrestling, or competition - all JCC Cheerleaders are welcome. T-shirt included.

Practice Dates / Times: September 2, 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM
 September 3, 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM
 Location: High School Commons
 Instructor: Head Coach, Jill Winter
 Performance Date: September 3, Half time
 Fee: \$30
 Register by: August 21 at Noon

Questions? Email jill.winter@jccschools.net



National Safety Council - Defensive Driving



MINNESOTA
 SAFETY
 COUNCIL

Chapter of the National Safety Council

This engaging course reinforces positive driving skills and habits, and offer practical strategies to reduce collision-related injuries, fatalities, and costs associated with motor vehicle crashes. **Registrants, ages 55+, are eligible to receive a 10% discount on automobile insurance.** Classes fill quickly!

Dates: Thursday, September 17
 Times: Noon - 4:00 PM
 Location: Jackson, TBD
 Instructor: Kathy Pederson
 Fee: \$40
 Register by: September 15 at Noon

Dates: Tuesday, October 20
 Times: 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM
 Location: Lakefield, TBD
 Instructor: Kathy Pederson
 Fee: \$40
 Register by: October 16 at Noon

Men's Basketball League

Hit the court, stay active, and enjoy some friendly competition—Men's Open Gym Basketball (18+) is the perfect way to play, connect with others, and keep your game sharp every Wednesday night.

Supervisor: Jordan Hutzler
 Dates: Wednesdays, September 2 - May 27
 Location: JCC High School Auxiliary gym
 Time: 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
 Fee: FREE

Adult Co-Ed Volleyball

Get your friends (18+) together to play in a fun, yet competitive league. There will be league play and league tournament at the end.

Supervisor: Dustene Jacobson
 Dates: Wednesdays, December 1 - March 2
 Location: JCC High School Main gym
 Time: First game starts at 6:30 PM
 Fee: \$60 per team | Register by: November 21



Investment Classes

with
 FINANCIAL ADVISOR

Kristie Swenson

114 2nd Street, Jackson, MN 56143

Financial Fitness - Power of Budgeting
 Saturday, January 9 at 10:00 AM in Jackson

Foundations of Investing
 Saturday, February 6 at 10:00 AM in Jackson

Retirement by Design
 Saturday, March 6 at 10:00 AM in Jackson



Come Splash with us!



Daily Rates

AGES 1-4 \$1

AGES 5-18 \$3

AGES 19-64 \$4

AGES 65+ \$3

LAP SWIM \$3

SAUNA \$1

Schedule

We post our schedule Monthly. Follow us to keep up with schedule changes.

Find us on
Facebook
@JCCPool

Or check our website at:
www.jccschools.com

Contact

Kelly Antonson, Manager
kelly.antonson@jccschools.net
507-847-5030
1128 North Highway, Jackson, MN

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

Lunch Hour Laps

Make aqua jogging, water-walking, and lap swimming part of your lifelong fitness goals.
Fits into busy schedules!

Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays
11:30 AM - 1:00 PM



Birthday Party

Weekend parties at the pool are a fun way to celebrate with friends, without all the mess!

We ask that reservations are made a minimum of one week in advance.

Friday, Saturday, Sunday Evenings
Saturday and Sunday Mornings



\$45.00
per 10 swimmers



\$1.50
Each additional swimmer



Order in pizza or bring a cake. We do not supply food, drink, or supplies.





MISSION

To nurture a passion for nature through hands-on environmental education

VISION

Inspiring and empowering local environments

VALUES



Inspiring Connections with Nature/the Environment



Respecting and Caring for the Natural World



Sharing our Passion/ Understanding



Embracing Growth and Adaptability



Committing to Integrity and Accuracy

SEPTEMBER 12TH 2026

PRAIRIE WINDS KITE FLY

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2026

10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

JACKSON MUNICIPAL AIRPORT



KITE
MAKING



CANDY
DROPS
for Kids!



FREE
*to the
Public!*

NATURE SCHOOL



Have your homechooolers ever wondered why the leaves change color in the fall? Or why the birds fly south? Join Wild Compass naturalists as we explore the changing seasons and the science behind them. Students will conduct experiments, keep a nature journal, observe natural processes, and create art based around their observations.

Program starting
in November.



NATURALLY WILD BIRTHDAY PARTIES



A party at Wild Compass lasts two hours, the first hour includes age and seasonally appropriate activities facilitated by a Wild Compass naturalist. The second hour is time for your group to have food, cake, open presents, play games, etc.

- Birthday parties at Wild Compass are appropriate for ages 3-99 (parties for children 5 and under need adequate adult supervision).
- Party size is limited to 15 guests.

Birthday parties can be held Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. or Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Reservations should be made a minimum of two weeks in advance. Email or call Wild Compass at: info@wildcompass.org - 507-662-3060
Cost: \$90 for Wild Compass members / \$110 for non-members

SCHOOL'S OUT!



For students in Kindergarten through 3rd grade on:

December 23, January 18,
February 15, March 25, 26 & 29,
April 16.

8:30 AM - 3:00 PM

Watch for more
information.



EXPLORE OUR NATURAL HOME



Located at Sparks Park in Lakefield, Wild Compass offers trails, woods, a creek, and prairie for exploration, discovery, and connection with the natural world.



Explore. Learn.
Grow with Nature.

Wild Compass Environmental Education inspires curiosity, fosters stewardship, and builds a lifelong connection to the natural world.

LEARN MORE & REGISTER

- www.wildcompass.org
- Wild Compass Environmental Education
- info@wildcompass.org
- 507-662-5064

Jackson County Library System

Storytime

Children's story hour is held each week at the Jackson County Libraries. Stories, songs, fingerplays, and crafts are provided for toddler and preschool age children. Storytime begins the week of October 5.

- **Jackson** - every Monday at 10:00 am
- **Lakefield** - every Thursday at 10:00 am
- **Heron Lake** - every Tuesday at 10:00 am with alternating locations at the library and St. John's of Okabena

Elementary Programs

After school children's programs are held each month (October-May) at the Jackson County Libraries. All programs are free of charge & registration is required.

- **Jackson** - third Wednesday at 2:45 pm
- **Lakefield** - second Thursday at 3:45 pm
- **Heron Lake** - second Wednesday at 3:30 pm

Tween & Teen Programs

Tween (grades 5-7) and Teen (grades 8-12) programs are held each month (October-May) at all of the Jackson County Libraries & registration is required.

- **Heron Lake** - third Wednesday at 4 pm
- **Jackson** - third Thursday at 4 pm
- **Lakefield** - fourth Tuesday at 3:45 pm

Teen Advisory Group

Interested teens may join at the Heron Lake Library and help with planning events at the library. The group meets on a monthly basis and will be responsible for planning some teen programs, helping with youth programs, bulletin boards, selecting books for the collection and more.

Adult Programs

Each month programs are held at all three libraries just for adults! These programs vary from talks given by local business owners to art classes and include something for everyone. The dates and times vary, so watch the library Facebook page and newsletters to see the upcoming program details.

Book Discussion Group

A monthly book discussion group selects titles to read and discuss. For more information and to sign up, please contact your local library.

- **Jackson** - third Monday at 1:30 pm
- **Lakefield** - first Wednesday at 3:00 pm
- **Heron Lake** - third Tuesday at 2:00 pm

Minnesota State Park Pass

You can now visit a Minnesota State Park for FREE, by checking out a 7-day vehicle permit at any Jackson County Library on a first come, first served basis. Contact your library for more details. Don't miss this fun opportunity to enjoy Minnesota's State Parks!

Meeting Room Available

Each of the libraries offers a meeting room for civic, cultural, educational and public informational meetings and can be reserved up to 6 months in advance. There is no charge to use the room and it may be used after hours.

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
Saturday..... 10:00 am - 3:00 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
Saturday..... 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Heron Lake Library

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

Tuesday, Thursday..... 2:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Wednesday..... 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Friday..... 11:30 am - 5:00 pm
Saturday..... 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Hours effective: September 7, 2026

Website: www.jclmn.org

Email: jacksoncolibrary@co.jackson.mn.us

1000 Books Before Kindergarten

1000 Books Before Kindergarten is a program that encourages families and caregivers to read 1,000 books with their young children before they enter kindergarten. Contact your local library for the program folder.

Monthly Newsletter

A newsletter is published monthly to keep everyone current on what events and activities are available at your library. Contact your library to receive a copy of the newsletter in the mail or by email. The newsletter is also posted on the library website.

Monthly Movie for Adults

A movie and popcorn event for adults is held on the third Friday of each month starting at 2:15 pm at the Lakefield Library.

Friends of the Library Book Sale

Jackson County Library System book sale will be held on September 17-19, 2026. A pre-sale will be held on the evening of September 16 for Friends of the Jackson Library members. A variety of items will be available. The sale will be held at the Jackson County Fairgrounds in the blue building.



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WINDOM

-YOUTH HOCKEY-

ASSOCIATION

NEW PLAYER REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

2026-2027 SEASON

MITE PROGRAM INCLUDES:

-  **Boys & Girls Ages 4-9**
Must be Age 4 by December 31, 2026
-  **First-Year Registration Only \$50**
-  **Equipment Provided for First-Year Players**
(Players Keep the Jersey)
-  **No Previous Hockey Experience Required**

 **REGISTER BY
SEPTEMBER 30, 2026**

 **VISIT
WINDOMHOCKEY.COM**

 **SCAN THE QR CODE
TO REGISTER TODAY!**

**NEW PLAYER REGISTRATION
ALSO ENCOURAGED FOR**

 **GIRLS
12U**

 **BOYS
SQUIRT
(10U)**



Love and Logic®

Learn hands-on techniques
FOR CHILDREN OF ANY AGE!

THIS CLASS PROVIDES INFORMATION ON:

-  How to avoid power-struggle and arguments
-  How to give choices and set enforceable limits
-  How to avoid enabling and begin empowering your child
-  How to teach problem-solving skills to build self-esteem
-  How to help kids learn from their mistakes rather than repeat them
-  How to raise kids to be family team members & have fun parenting
-  How to take care of yourself and get ideas through fun videos

FREE
CLASS FOR
PARENTS &
CAREGIVERS!

 **CHILDCARE
IS AVAILABLE!** 

★ **THE LOVE & LOGIC WORKBOOK WILL BE AVAILABLE.** ★

-  **INSTRUCTOR:** Licensed Social Worker, Angie Titus
-  **DATES:** Tuesday nights of **September 22, 29, October 6, 13, and 20th**
-  **TIME:** 6:00 – 8:00 pm
-  **LOCATION:** JOC (Sheldon Outreach Center) community room
603 4th Street, Jackson, MN 56143

 **REGISTER:** Call Family Services Network at
507-847-4441
★ Please let Angie know if you need assistance with childcare.

*Stronger Kids.
Happier Families.
YOU CAN DO THIS!*



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Scholarships available!



BE A CUB SCOUT!
ALL YOUTH GRADES K-5
INVITED TO JOIN CUB SCOUTS!



JOIN SCOUTS BSA!
ALL YOUTH AGES 11-18
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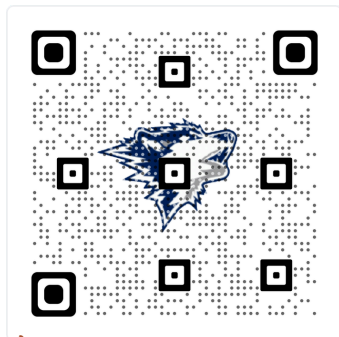
Join Scouting: Monday, September 14 at 6:00 pm
Riverside Elementary school in Jackson

For questions contact Marshall McNea
mwmcnea@gmail.com • 701-566-1468

Registration made easy:

- **Mail in registration forms to:**
JCC Community Education
PO BOX 119
Jackson, MN 56143
- **Drop off paper registrations forms to:**
Any JCC School front desk
- **Questions? Contact us at:**
CommunityEducation@jccschools.net
- **Pay cash, check, or online!**

Online Registration:

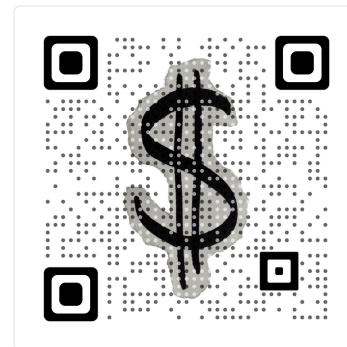


Register Early: Avoid disappointment. Many classes have limited enrollment and are filled on a first come, first serve basis. On the flip side, if minimums are not met, classes are subject to cancellation.

Confirmation: Once your registers and the 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.

Online Payment:



Registration Information:

Participant name: _____ Circle One: Male Female

Current grade (Fall 2026): _____ Date of birth: _____

Does the participant require any accommodations? YES NO

If yes, please explain: _____

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

Email: _____

Ucare ID (if applicable): _____

Payment Included: CASH CHECK CHECK NUMBER _____

T-shirt Size (if applicable) Youth: S M L XL | Adult: S M L XL 2XL 3XL

Circle One:

Youth Interests - item, fee, deadline

- Cheer Clinic - \$50, October 1
- Competitive Cheer - \$300, September 3
- Flag Football - \$40, September 10
- Gymnastics - See page 8
- Traveling Basketball - \$100, October 2
 - Do you need a jersey? YES NO
- Volleyball Clinic - Free, September 10
- Volleyball League - \$20, September 17

Adult Interests - item, fee, deadline

- Alumni Cheer - \$30, August 21
- Defensive Driving, Jackson - \$40, September 15
- Defensive Driving, Lakefield - \$40, October 16
- Financial Fitness - Free, January 7
- Foundations of Investing - Free, February 4
- Retirement by Design - Free, March 4
- Volleyball, Adult Co-ed - \$60, November 21
 - Must be 18+ and out of high school

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