

# JWR Center

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## ZAC Extended Day

Dear families,

As you know, we're transitioning the operation of the JWR Center to Camas School District this summer. While there will be plenty of physical work happening, there is an incredible amount of planning taking place as well —planning to build the programming and implementation of our re-imagined space.

The JWR Center will operate under the Camas Community Education umbrella when it re-opens in the fall of 2017. The ZAC Extended Day students in grades k-1 will continue to be located at ZAC, while Extended Day students in grades 2-5 will be served at JWR.

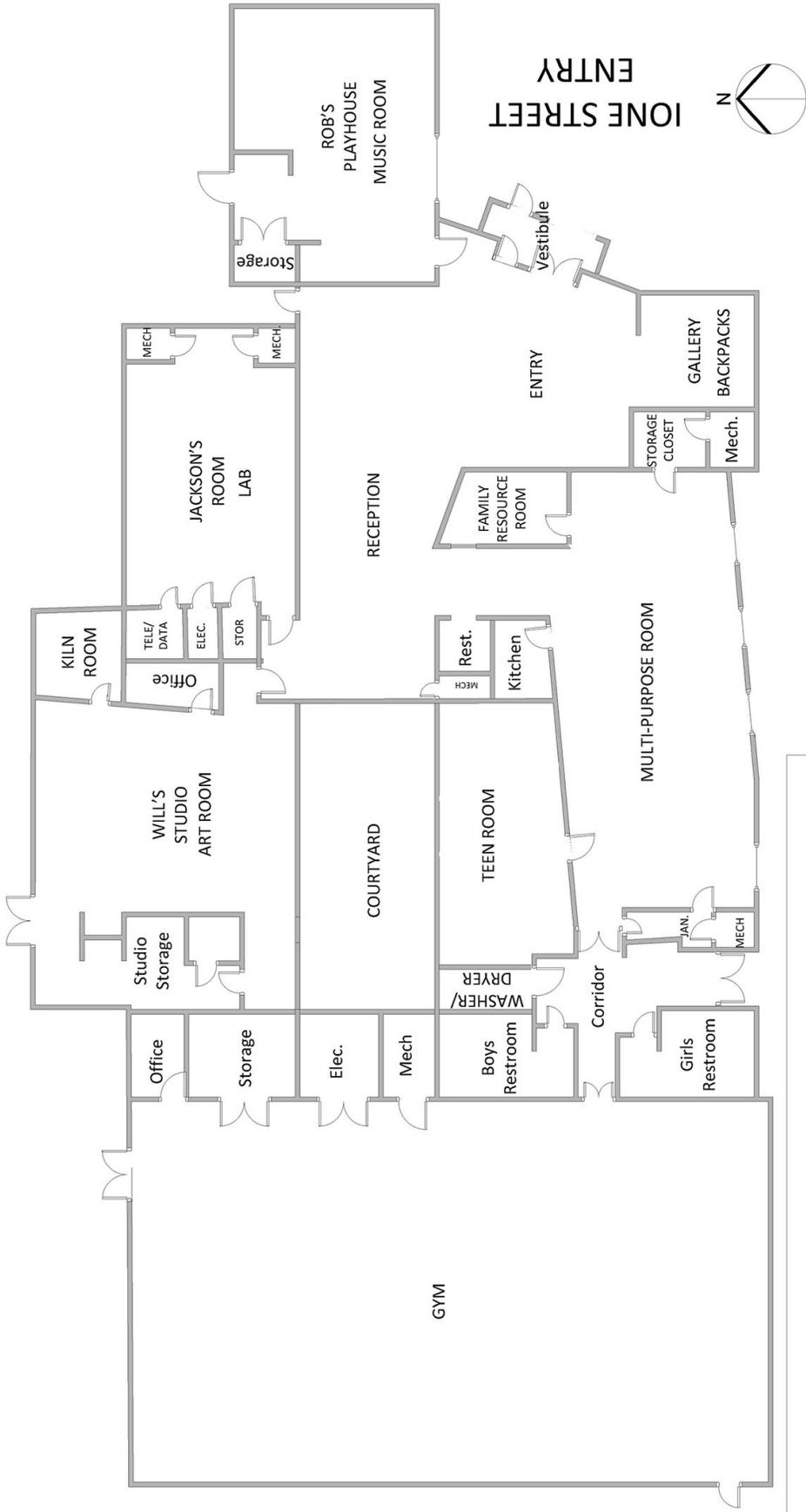
I'm excited to share that we intend on building and expanding the program students have enjoyed for many years. Highlights of the plan include an increased focus on the arts and growing the teen club. We will also bring with us many of the activities kids have enjoyed most while attending the current Extended Day program such as lego tables, gaming stations (Wii and Playstation), bumper pool, air hockey, and ping-pong.

There are also plans to fully utilize the center all day, not just from 2:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Helen Baller Elementary students will still use the gym for PE, but we will also invite in the senior community for coffee hour and offer themed movement classes like Zumba, pilates, line dancing, and yoga. Another new component will be a staffed family resource center to benefit families in need.

I hope you find these enhanced programs as exciting as we do. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 360-833-5544.

Thank you for entrusting your children to us,

Mary Weishaar  
Camas Community Education Director



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# **Camas Community Education FAQ**

**Jack, Will, Rob Center and Zellerbach Administration Center**

## **Which students will be served at ZAC and JWR?**

For before-school care, students in grades K-5 are served at ZAC. For after-school care, students in grades K-1 are served at ZAC, and students in grades 2-5 are served at JWR. Students in grades 6 and up are served in the Teen Club at JWR after school.

## **Where do I pick my kids up if they are in separate locations?**

You'll need to pick up your students at each building.

## **Why are the rates higher at ZAC than JWR?**

Younger children need greater supervision--the student to staff ratio at ZAC is 15:1. Older students require slightly less supervision; the ratio at JWR is 20:1.

## **I've heard that the kids at JWR are not well supervised and there is little structure to the program. How will I know my student is safe and engaged at JWR?**

JWR will be run by Camas Community Education which brings with it the incredible program at Extended Day that you currently enjoy. Programs will be supervised by trained, qualified staff members who will focus on joy and engagement. Students will not be permitted to leave on their own and must be checked out by a parent or older sibling.

## **When my student was at JWR with the Boys & Girls Club, the monthly fee was lower. Are there scholarships available?**

Yes. When the Boys & Girls Club operated the JWR, their program was significantly subsidized by its core organization. The fees are higher under Camas Community Education, however, scholarships are readily available for those who need them. Contact CCE Director Mary Weishaar for information.

## **Will there be a daily/drop in fee?**

Yes at ZAC, just as there is currently. However, at JWR is set at a monthly club fee.

## **Will my kids ride the same bus from school to ZAC and JWR?**

Typically yes, but it depends on how many students are participating in our program. In most cases there is one bus bringing students to us from each school.

## **Can I write one check when I have kids in each program?**

Yes, made out to CCE (Camas Community Ed).

## **Is there a sibling discount?**

Yes, there is a sibling discount for both JWR and ZAC. Call for details

## **Will I be invoiced each month?**

We do not invoice. We ask that you pay the first week of each month. If your child comes on a "drop in" basis at ZAC, we ask that you pay the day of participation.

**My child goes to CED now, do I need to re-register for next year?**

Yes. A registration form will need to be completed every year they attend along with the annual \$25 family registration fee.

**Can I pay tuition by credit card?**

Yes, you can pay by credit card. There is a 3.5% convenience fee. All parents of students in the Camas School District have an account in our online payment system, along with a Skyward login and password. If you need help in retrieving this information, please call us. This account is something you can use for all the years your student is in the Camas School District.

**Can I set up automatic payments through my online banking?**

Yes. Just create a new payee with this information:

Payee name: Camas Community Education

Payee address: 841 NE 22nd Avenue, Camas, WA 98607

Account number: [name/s of participating students]

**Will my children be able to check themselves out at JWR?**

No. Both of our programs require an adult (or older sibling) to sign out students.

**Is ZAC open on non-school days?**

No, ZAC Extended Day program is closed on non-school days. However, Community Ed typically offers day camps, at an additional fee, during winter, spring, and summer breaks. We ask that you register ahead of time so that we can staff accordingly. Camp information is posted at [www.camascommunityed.org](http://www.camascommunityed.org).

**What is the ratio of students to staff members?**

The ZAC ratio is maximum of 15:1 and JWR is 20:1.

**What are the hours of ZAC & JWR?**

**ZAC** hours are 6:30 a.m. - 8:45 a.m. and after school until 6:30 p.m. **JWR** hours are after school until 6:30 p.m.