



## FAQs

### GENERAL

**Q: What is the JCS Summer Experience?**

A: The JCS Summer Experience is a new and unique program created in response to the unprecedented disruption brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic. It is designed to help students recover some of the losses experienced during the past school year, preparing students both socially and academically to get off to a great start next fall by engaging them daily in a wide variety of fun and rewarding educational enrichment opportunities.

**Q: Is this summer school?**

A: The JCS Summer Experience will replace traditional summer school, but the program goes far beyond those components. The JCS Summer Experience offers a variety of programs designed to help students stay engaged socially and academically while learning and having fun without specific academic goals in most cases. The program will run on a full day schedule, five days a week.

**Q: Who can attend the JCS Summer Experience?**

A: The JCS Summer Experience is open to all students, regardless of academic progress.

**Q: How much does it cost?**

A: The JCS Summer Experience, including school bus transportation and hot meals, is provided at NO COST to students and families.

**Q: Will meals be provided?**

A: Yes, all students have the opportunity to enjoy a grab-and-go breakfast and hot lunch free of charge.

**Q: Will students be able to ride the bus?**

A: Yes, Jefferson County Schools will provide transportation to and from each location daily.

**Q: How is the JCS Summer Experience funded?**

A: Additional funding for the JCS Summer Experience is provided by the West Virginia Department of Education's Summer SOLE Grant Program. A portion of the CARES 2 federal funding to counties is also being utilized.

**Q: When is registration deadline?**

A: In order to have adequate time to plan for staffing, transportation, meals, and to make it a great experience for all, we ask that you register students by May 14, 2021. You can register online [HERE](#), or by calling the student's school directly.

**Q: What school supplies will my student need?**

A: All school supplies and materials will be provided at no cost to students.

**Q: What are the attendance requirements?**

A: The JCS Summer Experience has been designed with busy families in mind. Registering a student for the program makes them eligible to attend any of the six-week program that fits into their schedule. It is up to each family what days and weeks work for them. \*

*\*Students seeking credit recovery and/or eligibility may have attendance requirements.*

**Q: Can students attend the JCS Summer Experience virtually?**

A: The JCS Summer Experience is intended to give students the opportunity to reconnect with their classmates in a safe, in-person setting.

**Q: Will there be homework?**

A: The goal of the JCS Summer Experience is to offer students a fun way to engage socially and academically while letting them enjoy summer with their families. Homework assignments will not be part of the program.

## **High School**

**Q: Can students drive themselves?**

A: Students who are properly licensed and insured may drive themselves to and from. Parking permits are not required for the JCS Summer Experience.

**Q: What classes are being offered to high school students?**

A: Students may enroll in traditional style, in-person English or Math courses for credit recovery. On-site computer-based APEX Learning courses in English, Math, Science, Social Studies, World Languages, Art, Music, Health, and Physical Education are being offered as well. Students are encouraged to explore the full range of options on the online [Registration Form](#).

## **APEX**

**Q: Can a high school student take more than one APEX course?**

A: JCS Summer Experience students are permitted to enroll in only one APEX course at a time. However, students may enroll in another course upon the completion of the first course.

**Q: Can students take the summer APEX courses from home?**

A: The APEX Learning program is designed to be delivered in a classroom setting with a teacher present.