



Giborim U Program Information and Summary Of Guidelines at the David Posnack JCC

Program Description and Goals:

Giborim U is a program for children, teens and adults with special needs. Its catalog includes courses in fitness, the arts, sports, recreation, life skills and health and wellness. Participants will enrich their lives socially and behaviorally while gaining independence and communication skills, as they forge genuine connections to each other and the community.

Registration/Intake Process

Applicants must meet the DPJCC and Giborim U admission requirements as determined by a completed intake process. Following the intake process, participants will complete the Giborim U registration and payment form. Financial aid is available to those who qualify. A discussion of class placement will take place during the intake process.

Populations Served

Giborim U serves all ages six years old and up. The participant must be diagnosed with a developmental disability, including, but not limited to, autism spectrum disorder, Down syndrome, cerebral palsy, Angelman syndrome, Smith-Magenis syndrome and other disabilities.

Participants must be able to participate in small groups, have active engagement in activities, stay with the group and follow basic instructions. Exclusions from the program include, but not limited to, physical aggression, requiring one-on-one attention, elopes/runs away or uses inappropriate language.

Teaching Methods:

All classes will be taught using a variety of methods. There will be a combination of guided activities, modeling, individual projects, cooperative grouping, games, use of manipulatives, discovery learning, hands on opportunities and more.

Behaviors and Policies:

GIBORIM's U intention is to provide all participants with a safe, secure, warm, and fun environment. In order to guarantee a positive environment for all participants, the DPJCC has established some behavioral guidelines. No behavior should interfere with the program, hinder another person's right, safety, and enjoyment of being in the program.

The JCC has a zero-tolerance policy for inappropriate language, hitting, or striking another person. If a participant is having difficulty, the first response will be to redirect to a more appropriate behavior. After the second offense, the participant may be removed from the class and the parent may be asked to pick up the participant early. After the third offense, the participant may be asked not to return to the class for a period of time or dismissed from the Giborim U program. There is no refund as a result of disciplinary actions.

Late Pick Up

There will be a \$15.00 fee per person for every 5 minutes the participant stays after the stated end time of the class. The fee is payable immediately.

Participant's Name: _____

Parent Signature _____ *Date:* _____