

The Jane Justin School Frequently Asked Questions

Do you have any openings?

The Jane Justin School maintains a full enrollment at all times. When a child is transitioned to another school, another child from a younger classroom within the school is promoted to fill the vacancy. This process typically pushes the enrollment opening to the youngest classroom. A child whose application resides in the referral file and who is of an appropriate age for the classroom in which the opening exists is then accepted into the program.

Do you have a “Waiting List?”

The Jane Justin School does not maintain a “waiting list” because the term implies that students are enrolled on a first-come, first-served basis. The Jane Justin School does, however, maintain a referral file. The referral file allows us to offer enrollment to students whose repertoire and age can best be accommodated by the classroom in which the enrollment opening exists.

What kinds of students do you serve?

The Jane Justin School serves children with developmental and learning disabilities and related behavior and emotional problems. The school is not limited to serving any one particular diagnosis. Any child with a developmental or learning disability or related behavior or emotional problem who can function well within the context of a 6:1 student to teacher ratio will be considered for enrollment. Children whose special needs require a smaller ratio are referred to the Child Study Center’s Behavior Analysis Department and/or other area schools.

What is the age range of children you serve?

The Jane Justin School serves children between the ages of 3 and 12 years old.

What is the grade range of the school?

The Jane Justin School offers a curriculum that covers instructional levels preschool through 6th grade.

Are your teachers certified?

The Jane Justin School operates 4 classrooms and each is staffed by a certified teacher and an assistant teacher.

What is your student to teacher ratio?

In the youngest classroom, the student to teacher ratio is 5:1. In each of the elementary classrooms, the student to teacher ratio is 6:1.

What is the cost of tuition?

Tuition for the 2012/2013 school year is \$13,500.

Do you offer financial assistance?

The Jane Justin School offers a need-based scholarship program. Families may apply for a scholarship upon enrollment. The financial need of a family is determined by a 3rd party organization. The Scholarship Committee of the Child Study Center uses the information provided by the 3rd party to determine the amount of scholarship to award.

What are your hours of operation?

The morning drop-off begins at 8:15 AM and continues until 8:30 AM. The afternoon pick-up time is 3:00 PM.

Do you offer extended care?

The Jane Justin School operates an extended care program for an additional fee. Students who are enrolled in this program may be dropped off as early as 7:30 AM and picked up as late as 5:30 PM.

What does your calendar look like?

The Jane Justin School calendar is similar to that of the Fort Worth Independent School District. School begins in late August and ends in early June.

Do you offer a summer school program?

The Jane Justin School offers a summer school program that typically runs 6 weeks in June and July.

How do I apply to the Jane Justin School?

1. Download the Client Services application from the website www.cscfw.org.
2. Complete the Client Services application.
3. Deliver the Client Services application to the School's office.
4. Schedule a time for your child to visit the school.

What will happen during my child's visit to your school?

The visit will last 2 hours (10 AM to 12 PM). Upon arrival, the child will be taken to the classroom that is best suited to his or her age. While the child gets comfortable in the classroom, the child's parents will meet with the director of the school. The director will ask the child's parents to describe the behavioral, developmental, emotional, and academic challenges that have led them to seek out the services of the Jane Justin School. The director will then describe how the Jane Justin School operates and give the parents the opportunity to ask questions. The director will then tour the parents through the entire school. At the end of the tour, the director will leave the parents in the waiting room so that he may return to the classroom and assist the teacher in gathering information for the School Admissions Committee.

Information gathered during the visit will be presented during a School Admissions Committee meeting. If the committee determines that the services offered by the Jane Justin School are well matched to the special needs of the child, placement of the child's application in the referral file is offered. If, however, the committee determines that the services offered by the Jane Justin School are not well matched to the special needs of the child, recommendations are made to seek the services offered by the Child Study Center's Department of Behavior Analysis as well as other area schools.

What pre-requisite skills should the children have to attend?

The pre-requisite skills needed to attend the Jane Justin School include (but are not limited to) the following:

- Generalized motor imitation
- Generalized verbal imitation
- Generative language
- Ability to follow 2 step simple directions

For more information, please see the answer to the frequently asked question- "What kinds of students do you serve?"

Does there need to be a certain IQ score for admittance?

IQ is not a consideration for enrollment in the Jane Justin School. However, the mean IQ in the school is 79 (Range 40 to 124). The majority of students have an IQ between 65 and 100. For more information, please see the answer to the frequently asked question- "What kinds of students do you serve?"

Do the children have to have a certain diagnosis to attend?

The Jane Justin School serves children with a wide array of developmental and learning disabilities. We are not limited to serving children with any one particular diagnosis. Some children who attend the school do not have a formal diagnosis, but do have documented skill deficits. For more information, please see the answer to the frequently asked question-“What kinds of students do you serve?”

Do the children have to see a Child Study Center developmental pediatrician in order to attend the Jane Justin School?

The students of the Jane Justin School are not required to see one of the Child Study Center pediatricians. However, many of our students do see one of the Child Study Center pediatricians for developmental following, education regarding diagnosis, and medication management.

Is a referral required to visit and/or attend the JJS?

A referral from a doctor is not necessary to have your child considered for enrollment in the Jane Justin School. Interested parents who have a child with special developmental or educational needs are welcome to contact the school’s office at 817-390-2831.

What paper work should I bring with me to the initial visit?

It is not necessary to bring paperwork to the initial visit unless additional reports have become available since the time the appointment was made. In that case, copies of any additional information regarding your child’s development should be brought so that it can be reviewed and added to the application.