

## Just Us Kids Child Development Center 625 Indiana Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20004

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## **Just Us Kids Waitlist and Enrollment Information**

Just Us Kids is a comparatively small childcare center, with only 12 spaces in each of the Infant, Toddler, and Twos classrooms, 14 spaces in the Threes room, and 16 spaces in the Fours room. Our waitlist, on the other hand, usually contains hundreds of children. Because the demand for child care spaces at JUK far exceeds the supply, some children will wait for many months or even years before a spot is available. Some children – particularly those whose parent/s are not current Department of Justice employees – will unfortunately never be offered a space at JUK.

We recognize that obtaining childcare can be a lengthy and frustrating process, and we thank you in advance for your patience.

#### **Waitlist**

You may submit a waitlist application, along with a \$55 non-refundable application fee, to JUK as soon as you know you are expecting a child. If you are planning to adopt, you may submit a waitlist application even if you do not yet have a placement. JUK accepts applications online at https://app.bumblebeehq.com/public/just-us-kids, and payment is by credit or debit card only. The date we receive your application and fee will be the date associated with your waitlist application.

If, while on the waiting list, you have an additional child or children whom you would like to enroll at JUK, you must separately add each of those additional children to the waitlist by logging back into our system and updating your family information. You need not pay an additional waitlist fee for additional children. Waitlist application dates are not transferable between children (e.g. from an older child who no longer needs a spot to a younger child who does need a spot).

JUK keeps each waitlist application on file until the child is old enough for Kindergarten or until you tell us to remove the child from the list, whichever comes first. While you are on the waitlist, we will do our best to maintain periodic contact with you by e-mail, to confirm your continued interest in a space at JUK. But, because we are a small center with limited administrative resources, we rely on you to reach out to us if your contact information changes or if you have questions. Particularly, please e-mail JUK at waitlist.justuskids@gmail.com once your child is born to update your information and confirm your interest in a spot.

## **Enrollment**

JUK fills openings year round as space is available, but the vast majority of children are enrolled from the waitlist in September and February.

JUK considers many factors when determining which children to enroll from the waitlist, including but not limited to: a child's priority category, as detailed more fully below; the age range needed to fill the vacancy within a particular classroom; the planned schedule for movement of children throughout the center; the permitted number and ages of children in each classroom; and a child's waitlist application date.

The priority for enrollment at JUK is:

- (1) siblings of currently-enrolled children at JUK, with at least one parent or legal guardian who is currently employed by the Department of Justice;
- (2) children with at least one parent or legal guardian who is currently employed by the Department of Justice;
- (3) siblings of currently-enrolled children at JUK, with at least one parent or legal guardian who is currently employed by any other federal agency;
- (4) children whose parent or legal guardian is currently employed by another federal agency;
- (5) siblings of currently-enrolled children at JUK, with no parent or legal guardian employed by any federal agency; and
- (6) children with no parent or legal guardian employed by any federal agency.

JUK reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to interpret and administer the above guidelines in a manner consistent with the bests interests of JUK and the children in its care.

# **How To Contact Us**

To submit a waitlist application, please go to:

https://app.bumblebeehq.com/public/just-us-kids

For any questions regarding the waitlist and/or enrollment, please e-mail us at:

waitlist.justuskids@gmail.com

To schedule a tour, or for any other information about JUK, please call us at:

202-353-3300