WHAT IS JCC MACCABI?!

JCC Maccabi is a combination of the JCC Maccabi Games®, an athletic competition, and JCC Maccabi ArtsFest®, an artistic event, open to Jewish teenagers from around the globe! It is the world’s largest gathering of Jewish teens with nearly 5,000 participating from across the USA, Great Britain, Mexico, Venezuela, Argentina, Australia, Poland, Panama and Hungary.

Created in 1982, the JCC Maccabi Games® is a week-long sports event for Jewish teens ages 13-16, featuring round-robin and medal-round sports competitions. JCC Maccabi ArtsFest®, which debuted in 2006 here in Baltimore, is a week-long arts experience for creative Jewish teens ages 13-17, featuring workshops, performances, and exhibits in various performing and visual art disciplines. In 2010, the games merged to form what is now called JCC Maccabi; a mixture of events aimed at strengthening bonds to Jewish heritage, community, and Israel. For more details, visit https://www.jcc.org/center-youth-families/teens/maccabi.

2020 DATES & LOCATIONS

JCC Maccabi Games and ArtsFest: San Diego, CA | August 2 – 7, 2020*
JCC Maccabi Campus Games: Pace University, Westchester, NY | August 9 – 14, 2020*

Participants must be present for the entirety of the trip and travel with the team. Any alternate travel requests must be submitted and approved by Rebecca Chinsky by February 1st in order to be eligible for travel reimbursement.

Baseball, Soccer, Volleyball, Flag Football and ArtsFest are traveling to San Diego. Ice Hockey, tennis, swimming, e-sports are traveling to Pace University. It is still being determined where basketball and remaining sports will be going. Information will be shared at tryouts.

COSTS

2020 participant costs are all inclusive, covering all travel expenses, food, events, security, uniforms, warm-ups and bags, administrative costs, athletic expenses, etc. The price for the program is $2,249.00.

Upon making Team Baltimore, a $250 non-refundable deposit is owed within 5 days. You will receive an email with a payment link. A minimum payment of 50% is due by February 28th (100% to receive early bird rates). Full payment is due by July 1, 2020. Program fees are non-refundable with an exception only for medical circumstances indicating participant cannot travel.

• Early Bird Discount: $250 off of registration fees paid in full by February 28th (participants receiving financial aid not eligible)

Please note: A JCC of Greater Baltimore Membership of at least 4 months is required for JCC Maccabi participation. Monthly teen memberships are available for just $35/month (plus registration and set-up fees).
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
Financial assistance is available for families. In order to apply, visit www.jcc.org/scholarship, click the link for summer 2020 financial assistance and complete all paperwork. All forms must be completed on or before April 15th, 2020. You may be contacted by our membership office for additional information.

TRYOUTS AND REGISTRATION
All athletes and artists must try out for their desired sport or discipline. Following the final tryout, coaches will contact participants to inform them of team selection. A $250 deposit is due within 5 days of making Team Baltimore. A mandatory registration and information night will be held this winter to explain the program requirements and registration process. Please note, there are separate websites for payment and for registration in the program.

MEDICAL FORMS
Each participant must have a JCC Maccabi medical form completed by a physician in order to participate. All medical forms will be due online by June 1, 2020. Any late forms will be charged a $150 late fee. You will receive this form at registration night.

TEAM EXPECTATIONS
Beyond the week of events, competitions and performances, there are additional opportunities and requirements for all Team Baltimore participants. They include the following:

- Maccabi Games teens will be expected to attend several team practices determined by their coach once teams are formed.
- All participants will be required to participate in at least two Tikkun Olam (community service) projects. A variety of opportunities will be shared with families throughout the year.
- Teens will also have opportunities to attend additional social events, community projects, and family orientations that bring together all of Team Baltimore prior to the trip as part of their JCC Maccabi Experience!

DELEGATION HEAD CONTACT INFORMATION:
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