

JFK Weekly Newsletter

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Friday, February 20, 2026

No School February 23 - March 2, 2026

We will see students back on Tuesday, March 3, 2026

Thrive After School & Upcoming Programs

Thrive is The City of Winooski's state-licensed childcare and enrichment program serving students Monday–Friday from 3:00–5:30 PM during the school year. Through their partnership with JFK Elementary School and the Winooski School District, Thrive builds a caring community where children can explore, learn, and grow during their after-school hours in a safe and welcoming environment.

Their daily structure extends the learning that happens during the school day through play-based, hands-on experiences. They are committed to helping every child feel a strong sense of belonging while encouraging kindness, connection, and community. Thrive offers a balance of safety, fun, and adventure to end each school day!

Upcoming Opportunities

- Afterschool Program (M–F, 3:00–5:30 PM during the school year)
- Early Release Day Programs (11:00 AM–5:30 PM on select dates)
- April Vacation Camp: Goin' Green (April 20–24, 8:30 AM–5:30 PM)
- Summer Camps (7 weeks of fun! June 22–August 7, 8:30 AM–5:30 PM)

Families can register online using the QR code or link provided for each program in the PDFs below, or directly online at <https://secure.rec1.com/VT/winooski-vt-2/catalog/index?filter=dGFiJTVCNjg3MiU1RD0xJnNIYXJjaD0=>

If you have questions, feel free to contact Thrive at emonje@winooskivt.gov or 802-233-8188.



Thrive Afterschool Program Enrollment Form

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1mSrmEEFz0F8z8Sc5cdRr5_NXnLV5ji6x/view?usp=sharing



Thrive April Vacation Camp Enrollment Form

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1EyzfA85Nxke_GSnXUQl8Yrn3ycJhHblQ/view?usp=sharing



Thrive Early Release Day(s) Enrollment Form

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1y_6qWpcvtjWt5jX_2lXUR400n5FnrKz4/view?usp=sharing



Thrive Summer Vacation Camps

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1XZag45BpZttZT3E7ZzDcVMH1vblcw2JU/view?usp=sharing>



Thrive Upcoming Programs

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1G_Hr2nTesEkw28YUGNucKqyscVfbYWGw/view?usp=sharing

Spring State Assessments (VTCAP)

This March and April, students in grades 3–9 will participate in the Vermont Comprehensive Assessment Program (VTCAP) for English Language Arts and math, with science assessments for students in grades 5, 8, and 11. Testing will take place during the regular school day between March 23 and April 17, 2026, and sessions will be spread out to support student comfort and focus.

VTCAP is one of many tools used to understand student learning in relation to Vermont’s state standards. Families will receive individual student reports once results become available. As always, these assessments are just one snapshot of your child’s growth and learning.

Thank you for your continued support and ensuring students are well-rested and encouraged during the testing window makes a big difference!

Next Year’s Class Placement – We Want Your Input!

It’s time to start thinking about next school year! Families are invited to share helpful information about their JFK students to guide placement decisions. While specific teacher requests cannot be accommodated, your insights about your child’s learning style, strengths, and needs are invaluable.

Forms are due by February 20th. Click on the link below, scan the QR code, or complete the attached paper form and return it to the



JFK office.

Thank you for helping us create the best possible classroom environment for every student!

<https://forms.gle/vDy4FAhkqbEcgpFa8>

JFK Calendar

February 23 - March 2, 2026

No School PreK-12, Late Winter Break

March 12, 2026

8:30 am All School Morning Meeting

March 20, 2026

No School PK-23

March 26, 2026

11am Early Release PK-12

March 27, 2026

11am Early Release PK-12



JFK Elementary

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