

# It's Cool After School

Fall 2008

## Jewish Family Service of Bergen County's NJ After 3 Program

### What's New in Club Ed:

- Expanded Homework Clubs in grades 2 - 5
- Test Preparation Programs
- Engaging Curriculum
- Theatre Workshops
- Offered to all students in Grades 1 - 8

### PROGRAM GOALS:

\*Increase students' academic achievement by offering high-quality supplemental services in core academic areas such as reading and mathematics, and enrichment activities including arts and culture, youth development, and physical fitness.

\*Increase positive student behavior by infusing character education objectives into the program.

\* Engage adult family members of participating students in a diverse array of parental involvement and family literacy activities.

## Club Ed Branches Out

Club Ed has begun another year of expanded after school programs in the Cliffside Park Public School District. After serving the students of Cliffside Park for five years, Club Ed has now decided to branch out by beginning a new program in the North Bergen Public School District.

In the first year at North Bergen, Club Ed will offer afterschool programs to all Robert Fulton School and Horace Mann School students in grades 1-5. Participating students will experience enrichment, academic, and recreational programs, including dance, music and visual arts.

Also, the after school program will feature activities provided by consultants from the Newark Museum and the North Bergen Police Department's DARE Program (CORE).

The district's target after school program enrollment is 100 students per school. The monthly fee for the

North Bergen Program is \$175/month for daily activities from 3:00 to 6:00 pm. There is still limited availability. To enroll your child for either the North Bergen or Cliffside Park's Club Ed program, please see the reverse side of this flyer for an enrollment form. Completed forms may be returned to your child's building principal.



## Club Ed Welcomes New Director of School Based

The Cliffside Park School District welcomes Suad Gacham as the new Director of JFS School Based Services. Ms. Gacham, who comes to us with much experience, is formerly of the Hillside School District and will also be direct the North Bergen School District's Club

Ed program. She has been collaborating with North Bergen's group leaders to ensure that after school activities are meeting the needs of targeted students without simply offering "more school."

Ms. Gacham feels that the goal of Club Ed is to offer hands-on learning activities that engage all

students. She hopes the program will also offer students the individual attention the need that is difficult to obtain during the school day. To date, Ms. Gacham believes that students are thriving in their after school classes, and will continue to benefit from the extra help. Learn more by visiting us at [www.jfsbergen.org](http://www.jfsbergen.org).