



Rosen JCC Breaks Ground on 22,000 sq. ft. Expansion to Better Serve Orlando Community!

The Rosen JCC has begun an expansion that will transform their current facility and programs. The expansion is two-fold: a 17,348 sq. ft. addition featuring a new Theater/Auditorium and enhanced Youth Wing, and an additional 4,769 sq. ft. area to be added to their award-winning Early Childhood Learning Center. The Groundbreaking Ceremony will be held on Wednesday, June 24 at 6:30pm. Mr. Harris Rosen will be speaking at the Groundbreaking Ceremony, and light refreshments will be served.

The auditorium will boast an elevated stage for events and productions, a green room for performers, and a catering kitchen. Outside of the new auditorium will be two private sound-proof music rooms for voice, acting and instrument lessons. The youth wing enhancement will include a dedicated childcare room called Kid Zone for JCC members using the fitness facilities, and three large youth classrooms for the after-school program J University, plus two staff offices.

Hillary Brook, owner of the JCC's in-house performing arts program, Theatre South Orlando, is thrilled about this new addition. "This space gives us the ability to offer professional quality theater programs for youth and adults. It's a new venue for the Orlando community and they can not only enjoy, but participate in productions and events!"

The Early Childhood Learning Center expansion plans call for a resource library and parenting center, three new classrooms, and dedicated space for

administrative staff. Our nationally accredited Early Childhood program has continued to grow with this community since its inception in 1994. “We are thrilled to expand our vision of engaging more families in the community, as we continue to provide both an excellent education and a place for people to meet and form lasting friendships,” commented Brenda Sher, the Rosen JCC’s Early Childhood Director.

The original youth space remaining in the original building will be retrofitted with some exciting enhancements for both teen programs and wellness. The current youth wing will be transformed to include a private personal training area, as well as physical therapy and massage studios. There will also be a dedicated spinning studio for the JCC’s ever-popular spin classes. The Rosen JCC will build out a teen center with an active gaming room in an effort to promote wellness in a fun, approachable and sustainable way.

The expansion is expected to be completed by February, 2016. We will be celebrating in 2016 with an event inviting all community members to tour the new additions and get to know the Rosen JCC. Hard Hat tours and information on donating to the Phase II Expansion Capital Campaign are available by contacting Bonnie Rayman, Executive Director at BonnieR@rosenjcc.org or calling 407-387-5330.

The Rosen JCC will be open with full activities and programming throughout the expansion. This community gem of SW Orlando is located at 11184 S. Apopka-Vineland Road in Orlando, FL. There are programs and activities to fit everyone’s lifestyle and interests. Call for a tour any day of the week at 407-387-5330. The JCC is for YOU!

Please RSVP by calling 407.387.5330 or email EllieC@rosenjcc.org if you on plan on attending the Rosen JCC Phase II Expansion Groundbreaking Ceremony on Wednesday, June 24 at 6:30pm.