

## EARLY LEARNING MATTERS CURRICULUM

A sequential and integrated approach to guided learning in all foundations of school readiness and life success, Birth-5 years. The curriculum fully aligns with NAEYC guidelines, including accreditation criteria, and early learning standards nurturing and rich in research-based practices.

## SPECIAL NEEDS

If your child has any allergies (food, insect bites, etc.) or emergency medication needs (asthma, epi-pen etc.), please meet with your pediatrician to develop an allergy/emergency action plan to provide to the CDC. Any other special needs should be discussed with CDC administration to assist you in providing the most appropriate care plan for your child's individual needs.

## SPECIAL PROGRAMS

**Part-Day Enrichment:** Based off of demand, the CDC offers a part-day morning program for ages 3 to 5 years old from 0830-1130 MWF.

**Give Parents a Break:** An Air Force Aid funded child care program for AD members who "need a break", meet eligibility criteria, and are referred by First Sergeants, Commanders, supervisors, or base helping agencies like A&FRC. The program is offered one Saturday a month and alternates between 1800-2200 evenings and 1300-1700 daytimes. Without a referral, GPAB is open to all base personnel for a flat rate of \$28 per child.

**Parent Advisory Board:** Parents of enrolled children at the CDC meet quarterly to discuss program highlights, address concerns, and set goals for the program. The meetings are conducted by parents and CDC administration staff. This program increases parent involvement and awareness in the CDC Programs and their child's classroom.



## CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

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LAUGHLIN AIR FORCE BASE

# CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

SAFE, SUPPORTIVE ENVIRONMENT FOR CHILDREN AGE SIX WEEKS TO FIVE YEARS TO GROW THEIR SOCIAL SKILLS, CREATIVE EXPRESSION, AND REASONING ABILITIES.



## OUR MISSION & GOALS

To assist DOD military and civilian personnel in balancing the competing demands of the accomplishment of DOD mission and family life by managing and delivering a system of quality, available, and affordable programs and services for children and youth from birth through 18 years old. Our goals are to:

- Enhance social skills
- Encourage children to think, reason, and question
- Build physical development and skills
- Support sound health, safety, and nutrition
- Advance creative expression and represent art
- Appreciate and respect cultural diversity

## ENROLLMENT & ELIGIBILITY

Parents interested in enrolling in full-time or part-time programs at the CDC must register on the website [militarychildcare.com](http://militarychildcare.com). After creating a profile, parents must make a request for care with the program that fits their child's age group. Families will be contacted within 30 days of placement to be notified of their status. If you have any questions, please contact the CDC.

All children of active duty military, DOD civilians, eligible employees of DoD contractors, and others may be authorized as space is available. Stop by the CDC during business hours to complete a registration packet. Documents required for registering include current immunizations, LES and/or pay statements from all income earned within the household, and credit card number. All registration forms must be completed and processed prior to a child's entrance in to the program. All new families must attend a Family Orientation prior to enrollment start date.

## FULL DAY & HOURLY CARE

This program is for children six weeks to five years. Fees are established by DOD and are adjusted annually. The DOD uses sliding scale fees categories based on the total family income for each household. Full day care is offered year-round excluding federal holidays and family days. Fees are prorated for federal holiday closures.

Families wishing to utilize the CDC on a temporary basis are encouraged to call for hourly care availability. Hourly care is available Monday through Friday during business hours at a flat rate of \$7 an hour with a 2-hour minimum. Hourly care consists of NO MORE THAN 2 days of drop-in care per week. Parents utilizing drop-in care more often will be charged a full time rate.

## ILLNESS & MEDICATION POLICIES

Children who are not fully able to participate in the day's activities should not be in attendance. We understand that this can be a hardship for families, but for the health of the other children in care, the program will be strict on the attendance of ill or mildly ill children. If your child becomes ill at the CDC we will notify you, your spouse, or your emergency contact to pick up your child.

If your child requires medicine to be administered, medicine must be in the original container labeled with your child's name, doctor's name, and date prescribed, and have complete directions for administering with a start and stop date. All meds are controlled by the front desk staff and must be turned in to the desk personnel each morning to administer the second dose.

## INFANT AND TODDLER CURRICULUM

The first three years of life are a period of incredible growth in all areas of your child's development. At Laughlin CDC, we strive to establish positive relationships between caregivers and children at infancy to promote healthy brain development. Caregivers play a critical role in baby brain building and we strive to provide individualized care that is nurturing and rich in research-based practices.

## PRESCHOOL CURRICULUM

The CDC strives to promote positive relationships among all children through a warm, sensitive, and responsive environment in which children feel secure. The activities implemented in our program are consistent with the NAEYC standards of development in the areas of social, emotional, physical, language, and cognitive. Caregivers work with program administrators to achieve a balance of play-based initiatives and early learning goals linked to the Texas State Pre-K Standards. The curriculum activities are planned based on student observations and interests while meeting the needs of daily routines.

As a family-oriented center, the CDC assures a quality program environment. Through parent/teacher communication, we individualize each child's care and learning opportunities. As caregivers, we believe in helping children develop a positive self-image, sense of independence and self-discipline through developmentally appropriate activities. Our program provides an age-appropriate Early Learning Matters Curriculum that directly supports all developmental areas related to school readiness: cognitive, social, emotional, language, and physical. The CDC is a quality accredited program that enhances a child's development by providing children with the opportunity to discover and learn through a PLAY based curriculum to reach their Potential, learn through Literacy, Action within the community, prepare Young minds for the journey.