

SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM

Want to have a new friend before you arrive? Our Youth and Teen Sponsorship program is an outreach program for incoming youth and teens. We provide them with information, community events, and resources before they arrive to the base. You can connect the Youth Director or School Liaison for more information.

PROGRAMS & SPORTS

Our core programs include: Character & Leadership, The Arts, Health & Life Skills, Education & Career, Recreation, Fitness, & Sports, Homework Assistance, 4H Programs, BGCA Programs, and Field Trips.

Preteens, 9-12 years old and teens, 13-18 years old who are family member dependents of Active Duty, Civilian DoD Personnel, Retirees or are otherwise eligible to use Services Facilities. Youth who wish to participate in our programs, must present a valid Military ID card, submit a Youth Program application (AF Form 88), provide current immunization records, and pay the \$120 annual membership fee.

Specialty camps include: football, basketball, volleyball, Wild Week, Photography, Cooking, Theater. We also offer youth sports, including: Intramural Soccer, Basketball, Flag Football, Bowling, Field Hockey, and Archery Tag, Start Smart Soccer, Baseball, Flag Football, Basketball (3-4 year olds), and T-Ball (5-8 year olds)

TEEN NIGHTS

Join your friends at the Youth Center on Friday nights for fun activities! Past events have included movie nights, archery, retro games, bowling, and more!



YOUTH CENTER

(830) 298-4363

652 Mitchell Boulevard | BLDG 390

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SCHOOL YEAR:

Mon-Fri 0630-0730, 1500-1745

Transportation to school available.

Open Rec: 1500-1745

SUMMER & NON-SCHOOL DAYS:

School Age Care: Mon-Fri 0630-1745

Open Rec: 1200-1745

ALL YEAR

Pre-Teen & Teen Nights: Fri 1745-2200

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YOUTH CENTER

SAFE, SUPPORTIVE ENVIRONMENT FOR CHILDREN AND TEENS TO BUILD LIFELONG SKILLS AND FRIENDSHIPS.



MISSION & GOALS

To assist DoD military and civilian personnel in balancing the competing demands of the accomplishment of the DoD mission and family life, by managing and delivering a system of quality, available, and affordable programs and services for eligible children and youths, from birth to 18 years of age. Our goals include:

- Build a positive self-image
- Build a sense of belonging, competence, usefulness, and power and influence
- Develop self-discipline
- Resolve conflicts constructively
- Understand and respect cultural diversity
- Build lifelong skills, academic progress, and promote individual development

SAC ENROLLMENT & ELIGIBILITY

Parents interested enrolling in full-time or part-time programs at the Laughlin Youth Center (YC) must register on the website militarychildcare.com. After you have created a profile parents must make a request for care with the program that fits their child's age group. Once a family has made a request for care they will be contacted within 30 days of placement to be notified of their status.

The program is open to children ages 5 through 12 who are dependents of Active Duty, DoD Civilians (APF and NAF), and eligible employees of DoD Contractors; others may be authorized if space is available. Interested parents may fill out a registration packet at the YC during normal business hours. The following documents are required to be turned in upon registration: current immunizations, LES and/or pay statements from all income earned within the household. All new families will receive a link to complete registration on CYPBMS prior to beginning the program.

SAC FULL DAY & HOURLY CARE

The School Age Childcare program (SAC) is for children age 5 to 12 years old. 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. Fees are prorated for Family Days.

Families wishing to utilize the SAC on a temporary basis are encouraged to call for hourly care availability. Hourly care is Monday through Friday during business hours at a flat rate of \$8 an hour with a 2 hour minimum, pending space availability. 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.

SICK CHILD & MEDICATION POLICIES

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 YC. Any other special needs should be discussed with YC administration to assist you in providing the most appropriate care plan for your child's individual needs.

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.

HOW TO GET INVOLVED

Instructors: The Youth Center is always in need of instructors for lessons in tumbling, gymnastics, martial arts, music, swimming, dance, etc..

Parent Advisory Board: Parents of enrolled children in CY Programs meet quarterly to discuss program highlights, address concerns and set goals for the program. The meetings are conducted by parents and YC administration staff. The purpose of this program is to increase parent involvement and awareness in the CY Programs.

Volunteers: The Youth Center is always in need of volunteers to assist in making our programs a success. Areas of need are 4H leaders, special events, sports camps/clinics, field trips, and coaches. All coaches will be certified through NYSCA at no cost. A few more volunteer ideas are:

- Attend or be part of special events
- Share a special skill or interest
- Be a guest speaker
- Attend workshops, training sessions, field trips
- Bring in recipes for menus
- Donate old magazines
- Donate clothes/uniforms for dramatic play
- Chaperone

CREATIVE NIGHT

Air Force Aid funded child care program for AD members who "need a break" and receive a voucher from First Sergeants, Commanders, Supervisors, the Chapel, FAC, and the AFRC. The program is offered one Saturday a month at the YC and alternates between 1800-2200 evenings and 1300-1700 daytimes. It is also available for all AD members, DoD, Civilian for a flat rate of \$32 for 4 hours.