

MULTI-CULTURAL SURVEY

Dear Sponsor/Guardian,

As part of our efforts to improve the quality of our multi-cultural educational program we are collecting information from each family. Children learn best from concrete experiences, so the best way to create respect for diversity and develop anti-bias curriculum is to gain as much information as we can about the children and families involved in our program and use the information to teach the children about each other. Here at Vandenberg Air Force Base School Age Program we are fortunate to have a very diverse staff and diverse families. Military life tends itself to exposing us to a variety of cultures, traditions, and practices. We would like to incorporate your families' traditions and practices into our curriculum. Our goal is to compile the information gathered from this form and use it to individualize care giving styles and routines and to plan curriculum activities, celebrations, and family events.

Please take your time in filling out this survey and answering all the questions completely. The more complete the form the better we will be able to provide individualized care for your child. Thank you for your cooperation in this important matter.

Parents Name:

Child(ren) name(s):

PARENTING

- Describe a typical family meal in your home (foods served, how served, etc.):
- What are your child's favorite activities?
- How do you discipline your child?
- Who does your child play with at home?
- Is there anything else you would like to tell us about your child?

FAMILY CULTURE

- What is your ethnic background/culture?

- How do you identify yourself?
- How comfortable are you speaking and reading English?
- Is English the primary language in your home?
- What languages are spoken in your home? With extended family?
- What traditions objects or foods symbolize your family?
- What is your church affiliation or religious background?
- What values are important for your children to learn while here?
- Does your family celebrate holidays? If so which ones and how?
- Would you be willing to come and share your families' ways of celebrating holidays with your child's class?

Thank you for your time and support. As always we are striving to improve our program and your assistance is appreciated. Please return this survey to the front desk.