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Child & Youth Services

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CYS Families



From the Desk of Sheila R. Curtis

Chief of Child & Youth Services

As Army Families, we are accustomed to moves and the exciting opportunities a new environment can offer. We spend much time planning for your needs and striving to provide programs and services to support parents and engage children and youth. We want to bring you a welcoming experience as you register with CYS, enroll in our great programs, and utilize the many services available to you. We know you lead very busy lives, as military Families, and we value your time and patronage.

Registering and enrolling in our services can all be done at one convenient location, the Shoemaker Center, located at 36000 Shoemaker Lane. Need to complete annual registration? Have questions about your child's education? Interested in becoming a Family Child Care Provider? Want to enroll your child in sports or instructional programming? Have questions about your infant's nutrition and feeding plan? Need to schedule Kids on Site child care for your next unit function? Need assistance with accommodations for your child while in care? Interested in becoming a volunteer or instructor? All of these CYS services are available to at Bldg. 36000, and many more!

So what can you expect when you visit us? We are super conveniently located just inside the Shoemaker Center's main entrance on the first floor, first door on the left, just past the new coffee bar. A numbering system allows you to pull a number and have a seat... no lines! Our friendly Parent Central Services staff are ready and eager to assist you will all of your CYS registration and enrollment needs. You will also find a large and easy to read map to assist you in locating the other CYS services, such as the School Liaison Officers or the CYS Nurse. In and out processing has never been easier, with School Liaison Officers available to guide you through your education transition. You will also find the Youth Sports & Fitness team just off the waiting area of Parent Central Services, ready to help you find some amazing sports or classes for your child.

We are so honored to serve your Family and we treasure your children and youth. Come see us soon!

Sincerely,

Sheila R. Curtis

Chief, Child & Youth Services (CYS)

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UNITED STATES ARMY CHILD&YOUTH SERVICES Inclement Weather Grid For all scenarios affecting CYS Programs

Due to the unpredictable nature of Texas weather, we encourage you to become familiar with the CYS inclement Weather Plan and how it might affect you and your child care arrangements. Like us on Facebook for the most up to date information on CYS programs, locations and hours, **Facebook.com/CavazosCYS.** Download the CYS Inclement Weather Grid for all scenarios affecting CYS program closures

based on inclement weather, cavazos.armymwr.com/programs

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Please remember to check the sites regularly for updates.



School kiaison Office

The winter holiday season has concluded and Spring Break will be here before we know it! Along with this comes spring activities, to include testing, graduation preparation and the end of another school year. As you are shifting into a new routine after the holiday breaks, please consider our extraordinary Fort Cavazos community and the valuable resources in our area. The area school districts share in this partnership with CYS, bringing military Families a strong and connected community of support for each child's educational success. CYS School Liaison Officers (SLO) are here to help you make informed decisions regarding your child's education (public, private or homeschool).

The partnership with our school districts contributes directly to the Partners in Education (PIE) process here at Fort Cavazos. The SLOs ensure these partnerships continue to grow and strengthen by hosting yearly meetings for our Educators, Command, Soldiers, Families and Community to discuss ideas and collaborate. A Schools Council Meeting (SCM) is held in the fall and an Education Summit is held in the spring. The meetings provide information and updates on current trending topics relevant to military students. The process is a continued commitment to education and ensures that Families are better informed and prepared to make important decisions for their students.

The Education Summit is a full day event and includes informational breakout sessions, keynote speakers, a panel discussion and time for networking and collaborating. The Education Summit allows an opportunity for the school district superintendents and staff to meet with Command members, agency program managers and community members to gain knowledge of resources and programs available. This year's Education Summit will be held Friday, 09 February 2024 at Lone Star Conference Center from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

The Spring season also brings our annual Fort Cavazos JROTC Skills Meet. All area school districts served by Fort Cavazos are invited to participate in this event. We also include high school JROTC programs across the state. Last year's JROTC Skills Meet hosted 14 high schools and was the highest attended in recent years. Students will compete in the following competitions: Academic Challenge, Color Guard, Drill Team - Unarmed and Armed and Physical Fitness. The teams compete for trophies awarded to first, second and third place finishing teams in each of the events. One team is awarded the title of Fort Cavazos Grand Champion. Individual event points are added together to establish the Grand Champion. This year's event will be held Saturday, 30 March 2024 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Abram's Fitness Center. Please come out to support your favorite area high school!

Testing and end of the school year activities will soon be here. Stay up to date with your student's testing schedule and communicate with their teachers and campus to ensure you have all the information. ACT, SAT and End of Course (EOC) testing will take place soon, too. Assisting your student to make time for preparations, studying, eating healthy and getting rest will set them up for positive results. If your students have test anxiety or need more support for testing, contact the School Liaison Office. We have resources, workshops and ideas to break up their anxiety, assist with study techniques and boost their self-confidence for a successful outcome. Websites ACT https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/digital/digital-testing/dates-deadlines. If you need more information regarding testing dates or other information, please contact your school campus or the CYS School Liaison Office (SLO).

We are here to assist with transitions, but more importantly, to assist with your military student's academic success. Enjoy Spring Break and go back to school ready to sprint to the end of the school year with more knowledge, confidence and positivity!

For assistance, call, email, or visit your Fort Cavazos SLOs at the Child & Youth Services School Liaison Office located at the Shoemaker Center (Bldg. 36000 Shoemaker Lane, Suite 101).Phone: (254) 288 – 7946 and Email: <u>usarmy.cavazos.imcom-fmwrc.mbx.slo@army.mil</u> We're here for you!





FORT CAVAZOS EDUCATION

Lone Star Conference Center 9:00 am - 3:30 pm

SUMMIT

Inspiring presentations and important information on topics of: Special Education, Artificial Intelligence, College Board, Gratitude Initiative and much more!

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CYS Deployment Benefits



In order to be eligible for CYS Deployment Support Services, one of the below eligibility criteria must be indicated in either official orders or a letter from the Commander. TDY, TCS and PCS statuses must align with one of the five (5) eligibility criteria. Length of deployment must also be indicated on orders or Commander letter, if applicable. **CRITERIA 1: DEPLOYED CONTINGENCY OPERATIONS**

* 180 days or longer:

- Mandatory Deployment Briefing Hourly Care Free Hourly Care or Kids On Site (KOS) Care during mandatory deployment briefings
- Respite Hourly Care #1 16 hours of Free Hourly Respite Child Care (per child per month), (starting 30 days before deployment and ending 90 days after return from deployment)
- Fee Reduction 20% reduction to fees for regularly scheduled Full Day or Part Day Care, (starting 30 days prior to deployment and ending 90 days after return from deployment)

* 90 - 179 days:

- Mandatory Deployment Briefing Hourly Care Free Hourly Care or Kids On Site (KOS) Care during mandatory deployment briefings
- **Respite Hourly Care #2** 16 hours of Free Hourly Respite Child Care (per child per month), (starting 30 days before deployment and ending 30 days after return from deployment)
- Fee Reduction 20% reduction to fees for regularly scheduled Full Day or Part Day Care, (starting 30 days prior to deployment and ending 90 days after return from deployment)

* 89 days or less:

- Mandatory Deployment Briefing Hourly Care Free Hourly Care or Kids On Site (KOS) Care during mandatory deployment briefings
- **Respite Hourly Care #3** 16 hours of Free Hourly Respite Child Care (per child per month), (valid during the time of deployment only)
- This level of support is also provided to Soldiers while assigned to a Warrior Transition Unit.
- Fee Reduction 20% reduction to fees for regularly scheduled Full Day or Part Day Care, (starting 30 days prior to deployment and ending 90 days after return from deployment)

CRITERIA 2: ASSIGNED TO A WARRIOR TRANSITION UNIT (WTU)

- **Respite Hourly Care #3** 16 hours of Free Hourly Respite Child Care (per child per month), (valid during the time of assignment only)
- Support Group Hourly Care Free Hourly Care while assigned to a WTU
- Medical Appointment Hourly Care Free Hourly Care for medical appointments while assigned to a WTU
- Fee Reduction 20% reduction to fees for regularly scheduled Full Day or Part Day Care, (valid during the time of assignment only)

CRITERIA 3: DEPLOYED ROTATIONAL FORCES

- Mandatory Deployment Briefing Hourly Care Free Hourly Care or Kids On Site (KOS) Care during mandatory deployment briefings
- **Respite Hourly Care #2** 16 hours of Free Hourly Respite Child Care (per child per month) (starting 30 days before deployment and ending 30 days after return from deployment)

CRITERIA 4: DEPLOYED NON - CONTINGENCY OPERATIONS

* 180 days or longer:

- Mandatory Deployment Briefing Hourly Care Free Hourly Care or Kids On Site (KOS) care during mandatory deployment briefings
- Respite Hourly Care #2 16 hours of Free Hourly Respite Child Care (per child per month), (starting 30 days before deployment and ending 30 days after return from deployment)

* 90 - 179 days:

- Mandatory Deployment Briefing Hourly Care Free Hourly Care or Kids On Site (KOS) Care during mandatory deployment briefings
- Respite Hourly Care #3 16 hours of Free Hourly Respite Child Care (per child per month), (valid during the time of deployment only)

CRITERIA 5: SURVIVOR OUTREACH SERVICES (SOS)

* See SOS Representative for details

- Memorial Hourly Care Free on post hourly care for all attendees of a memorial service for a Fallen Soldier
- Bereavement Hourly Care 40 free child care hours per child for immediate Family of deceased (valid from notification until 4 weeks after burial)
- * For further details, please contact Parent Central Services at 254-287-8029.



COACHES AND INSTRUCTORS

NEEDED

Instructional Programs

Do you have a special skill that you would like to share as a CYS Contractor?

Looking for instructors in

- Martial Arts
- Dance
- Music
- Academic Tutoring
- Art
- And more!

Benefits:

- Flexible hours
- Earn extra money
- Share your passion

Requirements for both:

- Complete a background check
- Complete orientation
- Complete required training
- Inspire children and youth!

For more information, contact Youth Sports & Fitness (254) 288-2214 / 3770 Bronco Youth Center, Bldg. 6602



Youth Sports & Fitness

Benefits:

- Give back to the community
- Discount for your own children
- Earn volunteer hours for promotion
- Become a certified coach
 - Courtesy of CYS!

VOLUNTEER TO



Registration Child & Youth Services exists to serve Families.

To access programs, Families must first register with CYS.

Parent Central Services

Bldg. 36000 Shoemaker Lane, 254 - 287 - 8029 Hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Virtual registrations through CYS Services Online are available. Appointments are encouraged but walk-in registrations are welcome until 3:30 p.m. daily. Patrons are welcome during normal office hours for payments, enrollments, assistance requesting child care and updating waitlist information through MilitaryChildCare.com and other registration/enrollment related services. For your added convenience, Parent Central Services is also open one Saturday in August from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. for back to school registrations, by appointment only.

Eligibility

Patrons eligible for CYS include Active Duty Military, DoD Civilians paid from both appropriated funds (APF) and non - appropriated funds (NAF), Reservists on Active Duty or during inactive duty personnel training, those acting in loco parentis for the dependent child of an otherwise eligible patron, eligible employees of DoD contractors, Gold Star spouses and other eligible patrons on a space - available basis. In the case of unmarried, legally separated parents with joint custody, children are eligible for child care only when they reside with the military service member or eligible civilian sponsor at least 25 percent of the time in a month that a child receives child care through an Army program.

Note: In an in loco partentis relationship, a person takes on the role of a lawful parent by assuming the obligations and discharging the duties of a parent without formally becoming an adoptive parent or legal guardian. The child(ren) must reside with and be supported by the person. A special power of attorney to act in loco parentis is required to be on file.

Requirements for Registration Children in grade 5 and younger:

1. Military/Civilian ID card

2. Current shot record (must be up - to - date at the time of registration; not required for children in School Age Care if enrolled in a public school)

3. Health assessment (30 day grace period is given to those registering with Fort Hood CYS for the first time, if there are no special needs or dietary restrictions; a sports physical is required for all children prior to participating in Youth Sports & Fitness activities) 4. 2 local emergency release designees Complete the following forms:

1. DD Form 2652 - Application for DoD Child Care Fees (current household income verification will be required in order to determine the Fee Category for full time care, part time care, before/after school care and camps.) 2. Health Screening Tool

3. Medical Action Plans and/or Special Diet Statement, if applicable

Youth 6th grade and older.

1. Military Civ<mark>ilian</mark> ID card

2. Teen Registration Packet

3. Health Screening Tool, Medical Action Plans and/or Special Diet Statement, Health Assessment, if applicable

Multidisciplinary Inclusion Action Team (MIAT):

Children/youth that require an accommodation while in care may require a MIAT review. All Medical Action Plan forms, Health Assessments, and Special Diet Statements must be completed by a health care provider and are available for download at cavazos.armymwr.com. The MIAT process requires approximately 14 business days for processing. Patrons seeking to complete an annual registration renewal are urged to turn in the required medical forms at least three weeks in advance to Parent Central Services.

CYS Services Online

https://go.usa.gov/xn4rd

- Initiate new registration or renew annual registration
- Make payments for full day/part day care
- Enroll in and pay for Instructional Programs and Youth Sports
- Make reservations for hourly care

- View and print childcare statements, receipts, and tax statements

- View and print documents required for Instructional Programs and Youth Sports
- Update Household Information
- Upload the following documents:
- Respiratory, Allergy, Seizure, and Diabetes Medical Action Plans (MAPs) Special Diet Statement

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- Health Assessment/Sports Physical /Sports Physical
- Immunization Record
 Doctors note
- (for Immunizations and Health Assessments/ Sports Physicals only)

School Gaison Services

Go to the SLO!

(254) 288-7946 * Bldg. 36000 Shoemaker Lane * Cavazos. ArmyMWR.com/programs/school-liaison-officer

Child & Youth Services (CYS) School Liaison Officers (SLOs) work with, and help support, the nine surrounding school districts in the Fort Cavazos area. These include the districts of Belton, Copperas Cove, Florence, Gatesville, Jarrell, Killeen, Lampasas, Salado and Temple.

Are you concerned about you<mark>r c</mark>hild's education and ensuring a smooth transition for each PCS? Then Go to the SLOs!

The CYS SLOs are the Army's designated "point person," responsible for serving as the liaison between Families, local school districts and various other community partners in education to promote quality education and academic support for military children and youth. They provide information on the education process and assist parents in maneuvering through the school system. While CYS SLOs are not advocates, they are here to inform and link military Families to the individual, group, or other resource that can hopefully address and resolve the issue. They also provide necessary tools to empower parents to be advocates for their children's education.

For assistance, please call the CYS School Liaison Office at (254) 288-7946, email usarmy.hood.imcom-fmwrc.mbx.slo@army.mil, or visit in person at Bldg. 36000 Shoemaker Lane from 7:30 am - 4:30 pm on Monday - Friday.

Army-Wide School Support Initiatives

Provide direction for educational support, assistance, and transitions.

School Liaison Officers (SLOs)

assist with transitions associated with military life and facilitate communication among schools, parents and installation leaders

Facilitate understanding of the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children and liaise between the parent and the school as needed to ensure compliance and develop solutions

Provide information about **post-secondary opportunities** from college and vocation school applications to scholarships and career choice

Provide **parent and educator workshops** on a variety of transition issues

Youth Sponsorship facilitates transition from installation to installation and school to school by providing information, a sense of belonging and the opportunity to make friends in both youth centers and schools Deliver the **Army Ready and Resilient** program for teens aligned, through experiential and outreach activities, with the training Soldiers and Army Spouses receive, creating a common language around resilience between parents, youth and educators

> Facilitate the **Adopt-A-School** program fostering relationships between units and local schools and encouraging parent involvement

Through In/Out Processing Protocol, provide Soldiers with children an overview of available CYS options and educational suppport

Army High School Senior Stabilization supports college and career readiness by allowing Soldiers to delay PCS so students can complete their senior year of high school

Tutor.com, through the military, provides no cost online 24/7 tutoring



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Programs to Explore

YOUTH & SCHOOL AGE CARE

School Age Care (SAC)

The SAC program offers before and/or after school care for youths in grades K - 5 that attend school on Fort Hood. Full day programs are offered during school - out days, but all sites are closed on Federal Holidays. Hourly care is also offered for grades K - 5. Students are afforded the opportunity to engage in many activities and programs like 4 - H, student elections, and more. Programs offer opportunities for children to engage in technology, arts & crafts, digital arts festivals, building blocks, robotics, field trips, and more! All activities and events are age - appropriate.

Youth Centers (YC)

The youth centers are open to all Middle and High School teens. Services are available at Bronco Youth Center, High Chaparral Youth Center, Montague Youth Center, and Comanche Youth Center. Youth Centers are open Monday - Friday 12 - 8 pm and Saturday 12 - 8 pm. All sites are closed on Federal Holidays. Teen programs include activities, events, and projects that are age appropriate. Each center offers a computer lab, leadership opportunities, special interests clubs, Teen Sponsorship, Educational Assistance, fitness/workout areas and many fun trips youth are eligible to sign - up for. Need a ride to the youth center? Look no further. Students in the KISD or CCISD have the advantage of riding the CYS "TEEN TAXI" which is an afterschool pick - up service that will transport youth to designated Fort Cavazos Youth Centers.

Youth Sports & Fitness

Bring out the athlete in you with Youth Sport and Fitness! Team and individual sports programs, along with special camps and clinics, are offered year round for youth ages 3 - 18 years. All Sports programs are recreational based, focusing on teaching youth the fundamentals of various sports in a fun environment! All activities and events are open to the beginner athletes as well as the most seasoned player so there is something for everyone. Come out and be part of a great team with Youth Sports and Fitness!

Instructional Programs

Consists of classes designed to compliment & support the experiences children & youth have in Army CYS and in schools. Instructional programs teach children discipline, problem solving, decision making, conflict resolution, game rules and social etiquette as well as subject matter content. Students will increase their knowledge, be inspired, explore new activities and acquire new skills.

Family Child Care (FCC)

The Family Child Care program is a professionally managed network of adult individuals certified to provide child care in on - post government guarters for children 4 weeks to 12 years of age and provide programs such as extended hours [for parents who must go on temporary duty (TDY) or field assignments] or special needs care. FCC homes may also offer hourly care services, part - day care, or before and after school care. FCC providers are certified after meeting basic regulatory requirements and their homes are regularly monitored by FCC staff and inspected for fire, health and safety compliance. In addition, FCC providers work to obtain National Association for Family Child Care (NAFCC) accreditation using the same level of standards as CDCs and are encouraged to participate in special activities. Contact the Family Child Care Administrative Office in Bldg 36000, Shoemaker lane, 254 - 288 - 3190.

Kids on Site (KOS)

Provides on - site child care for children 6 weeks to 12 years. Call us to make arrangements for your next Family readiness Group meeting, social event, retreat or other gathering: 254-287-7273.



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Child Development Services

All CDCs offer trained teaching staff, balanced meals, age appropriate developmental activities and all eligible CDCs are nationally accredited.

Child Development Centers (CDC)

Offer full - day, before/after care for children enrolled in pre - kindergarten in on - post elementary schools, and hourly care programs for children 6 weeks - pre kindergarten age. A developmentally appropriate curriculum for young children is planned by the teaching staff with attention to the different needs, interests, and developmental levels of each child.

Hourly Care Services

Hourly care services are available at Meadows and Montague Child Development Centers. Hourly care is short - term child care, no more than 20 hours per week, for children whose parents have medical/dental appointments, volunteer commitments, or just need some respite time. Reservations may be made up to 30 days in advance.

Clear Creek Child Development Center

Before/After for pre - kindergarten for children attending Clarke and Clear Creek Elementary Full - day care Bldg 41015, Clear Creek Road 254 - 553 - 9443

Comanche Child Development Center

Before/After for pre - kindergarten for children attending Oveta Culp Hobby Elementray Full - day care Bldg 52024, Tank Destroyer Boulevard 254 - 287 - 4848

McNair Child Development Center

Before/After for pre - kindergarten for children attending Venable Village Elementary Full - day care Bldg 113, TJ Mills Boulevard 254 - 287 - 8771

McNair Child Development Center Annex

Full - day care Bldg 36084, Shoemaker lane 254 - 553 - 9556



Meadows Child Development Center

Before/After for pre - kindergarten children attending Meadows Elementary Full - day care, hourly care Bldg 333, 761st Tank Battalion Avenue 254 - 553 - 8353

Montague Child Development Center

Before/After for pre - kindergarten for children attending Montague Village Elementary Full - day care, and hourly care Bldg 70004, Clement Drive 254 - 287 - 8835

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U.S. Army Family & MWR NOON HIRING Child & Youth Services (CYS)

Full-time & Part-time employees receive an annual compensation package including 401(k) & pension.

- Medical, Dental, Vision & Life Insurance Benefits ***
- Retirement & 401K
- Flexible Work Hours
- Paid Time Off (Vacation & Sick)
- Career Progression & Paid Training
- Tuition Reimbursement Possibilities
- Priority Child Care Placement & Employee Child Care Discounts
- Tax-free Shopping Privileges at AAFES
- Job transfer program worldwide through Civilian Employment Assignment Tool

APPLY NOW! ArmyMWR.com/cyscareers

Higher on average than in the private sector and varies on locality and position
 Annual value based on full-time employment
 Conditions apply



SCAN TO LEARN MORE





Join the CYS **Parent Advisory Board**

Meets the first month of each quarter, on the second Tuesday at 1:30 pm For details and locations FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK

https://facebook.com/Cavazos.CYS

or call Parent Central Services at 254-287-8029

Family Child Care

The next best thing to home

Amazing in-home child care for ages 4 weeks to 12 years

Providers are professionally trained, certified and background checked

Regularly inspected for guality

Monitored for fire, health and safety

Career opportunities available!

Immediate openings may be available!



Request care at MilitaryChildCare.com

Call (254) 288-3190 for more information



Love Children? Want to work from home? BECOME A FAMILY CHILD CARE PROVIDER! Contact the Family Child Care office for an application



On post residents only

Bldg. 36000 Shoemaker Lane, 254-288-3190



KIDS ON SITE

Klds On Site (KOS) is available to provide quality child care for unit meetings, special events and briefings. Whether on site at Phantom Warrior Center or the Lone Star Conference Center, or a special opening after hours or on weekends at Meadows Child Development Center!

Cost: No cost for mandatory deployment briefings Cost for other events based on number and ages of children

FOR MORE INFORMATION

254-287-7273 36000 Shoemaker Lane Suite 101

www.cavazos.armymwr.com

Child Care

Special Events

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Meetings

Briefings

School Age Care

Fort Cavazos School Age Care (SAC) programs are certified and accredited and provide high quality before and after school care at the following sites:

Venable SAC

Bldg 60616, Venable Road Phone: 254 - 394 - 0882 Grades: K - 5 Hours: 5:30 am - 6 pm Programs: Before & After School, Occasional Care Servicing School(s): Venable Village Elementary

Muskogee SAC

Bldg 52943, Tank Destroyer Boulevard Phone: 254 - 553 - 7706 Grades: K - 5 Hours: 5:30 am - 6 pm Programs: Before & After School, Full Day on school - out days, Occasional Care, and Fall, Winter, Spring & Summer Camps Servicing School(s): Meadows, Oveta Culp Hobby, and Clarke Elementary

Montague SAC

Bldg 70020, Clement Drive Phone: 254 - 553 - 7670 Grades: K - 5 Hours: 5:30 am - 6 pm Programs: Care provided Before & After School, Occasional Care Servicing School(s): Montague Village Elementary





Kouma SAC Bldg 48303, Johnson Drive Phone: 254 - 285 - 6017 Grades: K - 5 Hours: 5:30 am - 6 pm Programs: Care provided Before & After School, Full Day on school - out days, Occasional Care and Fall, Winter, Spring & Summer Camps Servicing School(s): Clear Creek Elementary

Walke<mark>r</mark> SAC

Bldg. 8<mark>5018</mark> Warrior Way Phone: 254 - 287 - 7950 Grades: K - 5 Hours: 5:30 am - 6 pm

Programs: Care provided Before & After School, Full Day on school - out days, Occasional Care and Fall, Winter, Spring & Summer Camps

Servicing School(s): Meadows

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January

I Have a Dream (Martin Luther King) Date: January 12 Time: 4:30 - 5:45 pm Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in

Muskogee SAC

Description: Come celebrate diversity with Muskogee SAC. We will be doing a Peace Walk as we learn about Martin Luther King Jr.'s life, his impact on the Civil Rights Movement, American culture and history. Join us in a celebration to commemorate the birthday of this important individual.

Family Bingo/ Italian Night

Date: January 19 Time: 4:30 – 5:45 pm Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Muskogee SAC

Description: Do you feel lucky? Well, come try your luck at our highly requested Family Bingo event! There will be great prizes for the winners to choose from. A spaghetti dinner will be served during bingo. You don't want to miss this!

Muskogee Warriors Super Bowl

Date: January 26 Time: 4:30 - 5:45 pm Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Muskogee SAC

Description: It's game time, baby! It's Super Bowl and that means it is almost party time. Join us for an afternoon filled with friends and fun! Dress in your favorite NFL gear for a chance to win a Super Bowl basket.



February

National Dental Health Month Date: February 9 Time: 4:30 - 5:45 pm Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Muskogee SAC

Description: Start your day with a smile! We are celebrating National Dental Month to raise awareness about the importance of oral health and healthy dental habits that lead to a lifetime of healthy smiles.

Exploring Black History

Date: February 23 Time: 4:30 – 5:45 pm Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Muskogee SAC

Description: Help us celebrate Black History Month, as we highlight the contributions and accomplishments of African Americans. We will walk through time, both past and present, and there will be a little food for your soul.



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Celebrate Dr. Suess's Birthday with us! Date: March 8 Time: 4:30 - 5:45 pm Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Muskogee SAC Description: We're having a party! It's truer than true. We want to celebrate with you! You should not want to miss a party like this. Won't you come and play?

March Madness

Date: March 22 Time: 4:30 - 5:45 pm Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Muskogee SAC Description: Game On!!! Join the Muskogee Warriors for a fun game of basketball. Light refreshments will be served after the game.

April

Operation Purple Up Date: April 12 Time: 4:30 – 5:45 pm Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Muskogee SAC

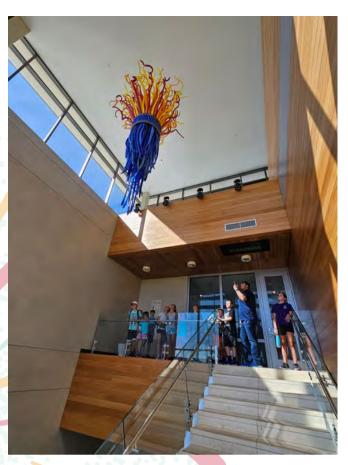
Description: Purple Up for the Month of the Military Child and show your support by wearing your favorite purple attire. Military life can be a challenge for the entire Family and that's why we have dedicated 12 April 2024 as a day to "Purple Up" for a great cause.

Paint and SIP

Date: April 26 Time: 4:30 – 5:45 pm Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in

Muskogee SAC

Description: Step away from your life for a minute to release your inner Picasso. Join us for a fun afternoon of socializing and creativity with sparkling refreshers, hors d'oeuvres and dessert, while producing a personal work of art to take home! A parent/youth activity you won't want to miss. Please sign up at the Front Desk between 1-19 April 2024. We are limiting this experience to the first 50.





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Kouma SAC

Bldg. 48303, Johnson Drive, 254-285-6017

Jaunary New Year's Wish Pillow

Date: January 4 - 5 **Time:** 4 - 5:30 pm

Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Kouma SAC

Description: Turn your dreams into actions with this DIY throw pillow, stuffed with your very own goals for the new year. Kouma SAC Creative Hands participants will craft these pillows in this fun activity to set goals and inspire you to achieve your wishes and dreams.

Martin Luther King Jr. - Walking In His Footsteps Quote

Date: January 10

Time: 4 - 5:30 pm

Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Kouma SAC

Description: Kouma SAC will inspire kids to walk in Dr. King's footsteps with this simple project. Youth will trace their feet and then write the small steps they can take to make the world a better place. The footsteps will be displayed in the hallway as we invite others to stroll along for inspiration.

New Year's Friendship Bracelets

Date: January 17

Time: 4 – 5:30 pm

Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Kouma SAC

Description: Looking for some funky and fun friendship bracelet ideas? Kouma SAC is the place to be for inspiration and design. Youth will enjoy making friendship bracelets, which is a decorative bracelet given by one person to another as a symbol of friendship.

February Homemade Heart Gum Drops

Date: February 12 Time: 4 – 5:30 pm Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Kouma SAC

Description: Science meets culinary fun in these treats. Kouma SAC youth will be making homemade heart gum drops by combining edible substances to make the actual gum drop mixture. The fun part is cutting out the hearts!

<mark>M</mark>ardi Gras Fat T<mark>ues</mark>day

Date: February 20 Time: 4 – 5:30 pm Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Kouma SAC

Description: It's that time of year for some Mardi Gras excitement, also known as Fat Tuesday! Join Kouma SAC as we party it up New Orleans style with this annual celebration of activities and Family fun.

Black History Month Celebration

Date: February 28 Time: 4 – 5:30 pm Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Kouma SAC

Description: Kouma SAC will celebrate and honor the achievements of the Black community throughout history. The youth will learn about famous African Americans through displays and activities related to their achievements.





Dr. Seuss Lorax Truffula Tree Cupcakes

Date: March 1 Time: 4 - 5:30 pm

Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Kouma

Description: Youth will make Dr. Seuss inspired "Truffula Tree" cupcakes. The Truffula Trees have become iconic with Dr. Seuss fans. These trees are super easy to make and are sure to bring smiles wherever they go.

DIY 3D Rainbow Colored Paper Shamrocks

Date: March 21

Time: 4 - 5:30 pm

Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Kouma SAC

Description: Come grab some construction paper and let's make this fun St. Patrick's Day craft. You will be obsessed with these fun rainbow paper shamrocks. You can use them to decorate your house for St. Patrick's Day or to give to loved ones!

Spring Cleaning Party

Date: March 22 Time: 4 - 5:30 pm Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Kouma SAC

Description: A spring cleaning party is a great way to declutter for spring and have fun! The youth will decorate their own cleaning bucket or cleaning caddy with stickers, marker, etc. before the party day. Fun spring-cleaning games will be played with spring cleaning gifts and prizes.

April

Fruit Battery Date: April 3 - 5 Time: 4 - 5:30 pm

Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Kouma SAC

Description: Discover the power of fruit in this charged science experience. Kouma youth will build a battery out of fruit to explore how electric circuits work and whether chemical reactions can create electricity. Spoiler alert, they do!

Purple Up Day

Date: April 13 Time: 4 - 5:30 pm Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Kouma SAC

Description: Kouma SAC will be celebrating Purple Up Day to honor the Month of the Military Child. This is an opportunity to celebrate children from all branches of the military across the country. Military children play a significant role in their schools, youth organizations, and communities. Wearing purple is a visible way for everyone to show support and thank military youth for their strength and sacrifices.

Young Heroes Celebration

Date: April 19 Time: 4 - 5:30 pm Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Kouma SAC

Description: Let's celebrate our youngest heroes with dinner and dancing! Kouma SAC will honor our military youth and Families with dancing, food, and fun!



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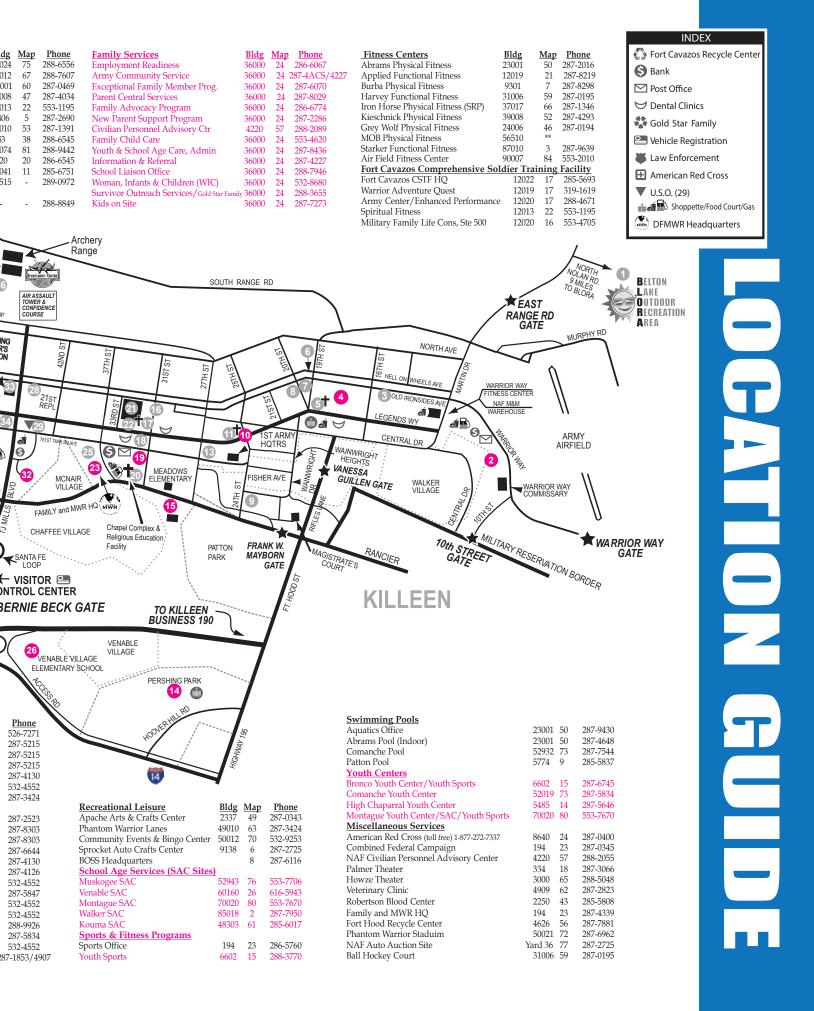
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CYS SCHOOL LIAISON OFFICE 254-553-3340







Walker SAC

January

Ultimate Volleyball Match Date: January 12th Time: 4:30 - 5:30 pm Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Walker SAC

Description: The children will be going against each other for an ultimate volleyball challenge!

Parent Advisory Board / Family Game Night

Date: January 19 Time: 4:30 - 5:30 pm Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Walker SAC

Description: Child & Youth Services is all about spending quality time together, enjoying activities and having fun. Join us as we teach the important skills of patience and how to be a team player while enjoying our Family Game Night.

Winter Pajama Party

Date: January 26 Time: 4:30 - 5:30 pm Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Walker SAC

Description: Come and put on your cozy pajamas while we enjoy a great movie and hot cocoa. Come and help yourself relax, relate, and release!

Bldg. 85018, Warrior Way, 254-287-7950

February

Parent Advisory Board / Mardi Gras Parade

Date: February 9 Time: 4:30 - 5:30 pm Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Walker SAC

Description: Join us to celebrate our traditional Madri Gras Parade. Youth will be wearing colorful masks and will finish the parade with some refreshments.

Sweet for Sweets Dance

Date: February 23 Time: 4:30 - 5:30 pm Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Walker SAC

Description: Join us on the festive occasion in which Walker School Age Care youth will exhibit great talent and showcase the latest fashion of the holiday season. Refreshments will be served.







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Read Across America

Date: March 4 - 8 Time: 4:30 - 5:30 pm Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Walker SAC

Description: There's nothing more fun than reading Dr. Seuss' books. Join us while our youth will spend time reading their favorite Dr. Seuss classics.

Painting with a Shamrock Twist

Date: March 15 Time: 4:30 - 5:30 pm Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Walker SAC

Description: Painting with a twist offers a unique, memorable experience. Join us for this time to relax and have fun painting with a shamrock twist to bring your imagination to another level.

March Madness Scavenger Hunt

Date: March 29

Time: 4:30 - 5:30 pm

Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Walker SAC

Description: Join us in your favorite team jersey for a March madness fun scavenger hunt. Show us how good you are at seeking out our listed hidden items and organizing them.



April

Purple Up Day

Date: April 15 **Time:** 4:30 - 5:30 pm

Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Walker SAC

Description: Join us for our 2k around our Walker SAC Campus as we honor our Military youth.

MOMC Dodgeball and Parent Advisory Board Date: April 19

Time: 4:30 - 5:30 pm

Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Walker SAC

Description: An event not to miss! Here at Walker, the children will be going up against their parents for a game of Dodgeball. Parents, do you have what it takes to take on the youth?

Dare to be a Force of Nature

Date: April 22

Time: 4:30 - 5:30 pm **Cost:** No additional cost to children enrolled at Walker SAC

Description: Gardening at it's finest. Walker SAC will be taking on gardening for Earth Day!





Venable SAC

Activities and Events Bldg. 60616, Venable Road, 254-394-0882

January

Parent Advisory Board / Family Game Night

Date: January 18

Time: 4:30 - 5:30 pm

Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Venable SAC

Description: Child & Youth Services is all about spending quality time together, enjoying activities and having fun. Join us as we teach the important skills of patience and how to be a team player while enjoying our Family Game Night.

Winter Pajama Party

Date: January 25 Time: 4:30 - 5:30 pm Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Venable SAC Description: Come and put on your cozy pajamas while February

we enjoy a great movie and hot cocoa. Come and help yourself relax, relate, and release!

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Parent Advisory Board / Mardi Gras Parade

Date: February 8 Time: 4:30 - 5:30 pm Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Venable SAC

Description: Join us to celebrate our traditional Madri Gras Parade. Youth will be wearing colorful masks and will finish the parade with some refreshments.

Talent Show

Date: February 15 Time: 4:30 - 5:30 pm Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Venable SAC **Description:** Join us on the festive occasion in which

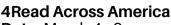
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Date: March 4 - 8 **Time:** 4:30 - 5:30 pm

Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Venable SAC

Description: There's nothing more fun than reading Dr. Seuss' books. Join us while our youth will spend time reading their favorite Dr. Seuss classics.

Painting with a Shamrock Twist

Date: March 21 Time: 4:30 - 5:30 pm Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Venable SAC

Description: Painting with a twist offers a unique, memorable experience. Join us this time, relax, and have fun painting with a shamrock twist to bring your imagination to another level.

March Madness Scavenger Hunt

Date: March 21

Time: 4:30 - 5:30 pm

Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Venable SAC

Description: Join us in your favorite team jersey for some March madness fun scavenger hunt. Show us how good are you on seeking our listed hidden items and organizing them.



April

Parent Advisory Board / Month of the Military Child: 2K for a Pizzaz Day

Date: April 18 Time: 4:30- 5:30pm

Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Venable SAC

Description: Join us for our 2K around our Venable School Campus as we honor our military youth.

Celebrating Earth's Beauty and Creatures

Date: April 22 Time: 4:30 - 5:30 pm Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Venable SAC

Description: Earth Day is an international day of appreciation of our beautiful planet and all living creatures. Venable SAC youth will learn different ways to reduce, reuse and recycle to make a difference in the environment. Remember tomorrow, recycle today.





Montague SAC **Activities and Events** Bldg. 70020, Clement Drive, 254-553-7670

January

Heavenly Hoops Date: January 12

Time: 6 - 7 am

Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Montague SAC

Description: When you're hungry and in a hurry, Montague's got you covered! We do-nut know what we'd do without you and we know we appreciate you trusting us with your youth! Please join us for "heavenly hoops," a delicious treat as a token of our appreciation.

Montague MAD Laboratories

Date: January 19 Time: 4:30 - 5:30 pm Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Montague SAC

Description: Walk with us through the lair of the Mad Scientist and his Mad Helpers as they mix and pour with Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in a little bit of this and a little bit of that. Ka-Boom!!! Join us for a MAD evening of fun and experimental recipes sure to delight the most fun scientists around.

Digital Arts: Radiant Light

Date: January 24

Time: 4:30 - 5:30 pm

Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Montague SAC

Description: Want to always get that perfect photo shot? Join us for a lesson in "lighting." You'd be surprised how much the correct lighting affects photos. Come learn techniques that will take your photo shots to the next level.

Community Service - Threadless Treasures

Date: January 31

Time: 4:30 - 5:30 pm

Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Montague SAC

Description: Join in as we make "no sew" blankets for our friends in the Copperas Cove Nursing Home. It's such a joy to know you share in putting smiles on the faces of the elderly in care. There is absolutely nothing more rewarding and you don't even need to be a skilled ooey, gooey Rice Krispy treat. When it's all over, you'll seamstress.

February

Parent Advisory Board / Family Night: Preserving **History and Inspiring the Future**

Date: February 2 Time: 4:30 - 6 pm

Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Montague SAC

Description: Watch history unfold before your eyes! Join us as we take a walk through Black History to honor the many African American contributions and achievements that enlightened our past, present, and future to come. Light refreshments will be provided as we stroll through the Montague Museum of "Black Excellence."

End Zone LVII

Date: February 9 **Time:** 4:30 - 6 pm Montague SAC

Description: What better way to support your favorite football team than to dress up in the team's gear. Join us for a Montague tailgate party and event. It's sure to be a good time!

Palette Pals

Date: February 14 **Time:** 4:30 - 5:30 pm Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Montague SAC

Description: Calling all Picasos! Join us for a day of "Painting with a Purpose." Youth will enjoy sipping sweet pink juice and partaking in scrumptious finger foods while channeling their inner creativity to produce one of a kind masterpieces.

Heart Munch Treats

Date: February 23 Time: 4:30 - 5:30 pm

Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Montaque SAC

Description: Join us for a "snap, crackle and pop," as we meet in the kitchen to make our own version of the have to admit, you had a "popping good time."

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Parent Advisory Board / Family Night: Seussville Spectacular

Date: March 2

Time: 4:30 - 6 pm

Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Montague SAC

Description: Reading is a gateway to imagination and the unthinkable. "Think left and think right, think low and think high. Oh, the thinks you can think up if only you try." -Dr. Seuss. Join us for our monthly Parent Advisory Board/Family Night that will highlight the imagination.

Quantum Leap

Date: March 27 Time: 4:30 - 6 pm

Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Montague SAC

Description: If the idea of time traveling piques your interest, this is the activity for you. Go back in time and experience some of the greatest times and accomplishments in history. Come join the fun and found out where our time machine may stop.

Tranquil Tones

Date: March 20 Time: 4:30 - 6 pm Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Montague SAC

Description: Join us a pay tribute to Bob Ross, the artist, the painter, the man! Remember his calming voice, as he guides us on a journey of getting in touch with our inner creativity.

Let's Have a Peepin' Good Time

Date: March 22 Time: 4:30 - 6 pm Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Montague SAC

Description: Join us as we welcome our lil peeps as they hatch and learn about the process, engaging in a hands-on experience . You will be negotiating names for the chicks and making birth certificates. It's sure to be a "peeping" good time.



April

Parent Advisory Board / Family Night: Month of the Military Child Celebration

Date: April 5

Time: 4:30 - 7:30 pm

Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Montague SAC

Description: This month is set aside for the appreciation of military children as it is used to recognize military youth for their sacrifice and bravery on the home front, as they endure deployments and a lifestyle that only military children would understand. Join us as we celebrate our military youth with fun games, activities, and refreshments.

Nurture Nature

Date: April 22 Time: 4:30 - 6 pm Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Montague SAC

Description: Let's all join in to do our part in nurturing nature. Youth will be planting a tree, making bird feeders, and cleaning the grounds in our effort to show we love our earth.

Global Gala

Date: April 18 Time: 4:30 - 6 pm Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Montague SAC

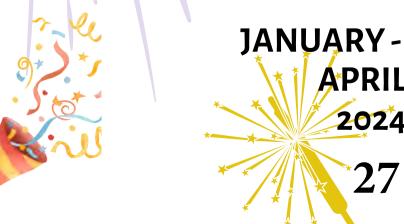
Description: Haven't been able to travel to other countries lately? No worries, Montague will bring the countries to you! Come for an interesting experience of other countries and their cultures. Enjoy food, music, and cultural demonstrations.

Montague Military Run 2k

Date: April 30 Time: 4:30 - 6 pm

Cost: No additional cost to children enrolled in Montague SAC

Description: Join us for our annual 2k Run/Walk to close out our Month of the Military Child (MOMC). We welcome youth and Family members to participate.



Youth Sports & Fitness Sign up with your Fort Cavazos Youth Sports & Fitness program, with both individual and team sports to keep your children and



Spring Seasons!

If the registration date has passed, call or stop by the Youth Sports & Fitness office.

Spring Season I

<u>Soccer</u>

Registration Dates: 4 December - 19 January Season Dates: 5 February - 23 March Ages: 3 - 12 years Cost: \$25 ages 3-4 years \$55 ages 5+

Spring Season II

Baseball Registration Dates: 5 February - 22 March Season Dates: 8 April - 18 May Ages: 3 - 12 years Cost: \$25 ages 3-4 years \$55 ages 5+

<u>Golf</u>

Registration Dates: 5 February - 22 March Season Dates: 8 April - 16 May Ages: 8-18 years Cost: \$65

Run Club Registration Dates: 5 February - 22 March Season Dates: 8 April - 16 May Ages: 5-18 years Cost: \$55

<u>Tennis</u> Registration Dates: 5 February - 22 March Season Dates: 8 April - 16 May Ages: 5-18 years Cost: \$65 Youth Sports & Fitness Bronco Youth Center Bldg. 6602 Tank Destroyer Blvd.

(254) 288 - 2214

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Instructional Programs

By the month recurring programs Go to https://go.usa.gov/xn4rd for current schedule, locations or to sign up or the Youth Sports & Fitness office.

Shotokan Karate

Ages: 6 - 18 years Cost: \$65 per month Instructor guarantees 7 lessons Description: Kiai (pronounced key eye)! Students learn fundamental moves incorporating forms, learning how to fall, and basic sparring. This class concentrates on basic techniques (Kihon), sparing (Kumite) and forms (Kata) as well as self defense.

TaeKwonDo

Ages/Cost: 3-5 years \$65 6-18 years \$75 Instructor guarantees 7 lessons Description: Tae Kwon Do is a modern Korean martial art program that offers self-defense training, physical exercise, artistic expression, and an opportunity for competition. Tae Kwon Do literally translates to "the art of kicking and punching."

<u>Piano</u>

Ages: 5-12 years Cost: \$75 Instructor guarantees 4 lessons Description: Classes emphasize fundamentals of piano while fostering an interest and appreciation for music of all styles. Learning to play the piano can aid in the ability to master music reading for all instruments.

Call Youth Sports & Fitness for more information. Bronco Youth Center Bldg. 6602 Tank Destroyer Blvd.

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For more information on accessing your online account, call 254 - 287 - 8029. In accordance with DoD/DA Fee Policy requirements, refunds will not be granted for CYS Instructional Programs classes with the exception of PCS or Family emergency prior to the start date of the class.





Youth Centers

Open to Middle and High School Youth in grades 6-12. Offering homework help, full sized gyms, weight rooms, entertainment rooms, technology labs, community service projects, workforce preparation, exciting trips, and much more!

Bronco Youth Center Bldg. 6602 Tank Destroyer Blvd. 254-287-6745

Montague Youth Center Bldg. 70020 Clement Drive 254-553-7670 *Comanche Youth Center* Bldg. 52019 Tank Destroyer Blvd. 254-287-5834

High Chaparral Youth Center Bldg, 5485 Hoover Hill Rd. (Pershing Park) 254-287-5646



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Procedures for Service:

 Call designated youth center for taxi pick-up
 CYS verifies registration and parent completes a permission slip
 Appropriate time and location of pick-up will be given to youth
 Youth will be picked up at one of the locations listed & delivered to the designated Youth Center

Permission Slips are required for this service. Please stop by the respective youth center to pick up these permission slips!

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Bronco YC 254-287-6745

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Montague YC 254-553-7662



Activities and Events Bldg. 6602, Tank Destroyer Blvd., 254-287-6745

January

Newcomers Hibachi and Talent Night

Date: January 5 Time: 6:30 pm

Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS **Description:** Calling all CYS youth! Join Bronco staff for a night of Japanese Hibachi take-out. Experience a delicious meal, talent, and memories you won't forget. Bring all your energy and be ready to step into the spotlight with those new to the area.

Skating with Friends

Date: January 13 Time: 1 pm Cost: TBA

Description: Join Bronco Youth Center for a fun filled day at a day of skating. Be ready to go low in the limbo and dance contest. Enjoy the afternoon of music and skating with your peers.

Painting with a Twist Late-night

Date: January 19 Time: 6 pm Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS Description: Come and join Bronco staff for a fun night of painting, music, snacks, and beverages. Canvases and paint will be provided. You won't want to miss this night of fun!

Family Fitness Night - "Move and Groove"

Date: January 26 Time: 6:30 pm Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS Description: Calling all CYS youth and their Families! Join us for a night of fitness and fun. Enjoy smoothies and a salad bar to end the night as you keep to that fitness resolution!

Digital Scrapbook

Date: January 27 Time: 3 pm

Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS **Description:** Experience scrapbooking, digital style! Youth will be able to capture and store their greatest memories on the computer. They will learn to apply creative graphic designs to enhance their pictures.

February

Newcomers Time Capsule

Date: February 2

Time: 6 pm Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS Description: Join Bronco Youth Center as we dive back into time, presenting the years of music and dance from the 80's to present in a night of exploring the times. Have fun with trivia, games, music, food, and fun!

Soul n' a Bowl Late-night

Date: February 9 Time: 6 pm

Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS **Description:** Calling all CYS Youth! Join Bronco Youth Center in a late-night Soul n' a Bowl dinner. There will be music, food, and games. Let's have some fun while celebrating Black History Month and going back in time with stepping, dancing, and drama.

Urban Air

Date: February 10 Time: 1 pm Cost: TBD Description: Join Bron Urban Air! It's not just a

Description: Join Bronco Youth Center for a trip to Urban Air! It's not just a Trampoline Park but the ultimate indoor adventure park. So, let's jump, bounce, and play the day away.

Family Night Photoshoot Scavenger Hunt

Date: February 16 Time: 6 pm

Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS **Description:** Prep yourself before the hunt by refreshing your memory on the elements of photography. Families will be placed into teams and compete against each other to see who can complete the photography hunt.

Mental Health Kahoot

Date: February 28

Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS **Description:** Join Bronco Youth Center for a Kahoot game night. Bring your competitive side, earn some points, and win some prizes. Let's celebrate mental health with some competitive rounds of Kahoot!

Newcomers Outdoor Movie & Ramen Night Date: March 1

Time: 6 pm

Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS **Description:** Come and join Bronco Youth Center for night of movies and ramen under the moonlight. Bring a blanket and a hearty appetite.

SMART Girls Salute to Women's History Month Celebration

Date: March 8

Time: 6 pm Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS Description: Come join the Bronco team as we celebrate International Women's Day and Women's History Month with an evening focusing on women's empowerment and etiquette.

Planetarium Trip

Date: March 12 Time: 11 am - 2 pm Cost: TBD

Description: Come join the Bronco team as we take a journey through the stars. Enjoy discovering new information about the universe with your friends and favorite Bronco staff.

St. Patrick's Family Game Night

Date: March 15

Time: 6 pm Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS

Description: Youth and Families, join us for a night of food, games, and high spirited fun as we celebrate the St. Patrick's Day weekend.

Late Night Bowling

Date: March 29 Time: 7 - 11pm Cost: TBD Description: Come join the Bronco team for a fun evening of strikes, spares, and gutter balls as we bowl the night away.



April

Newcomers Movies on the Lawn

Date: April 5 Time: 6 pm

Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS **Description:** Come join the Bronco team as we kick off the Month of the Military Child with an evening of food, games, and outdoor fun. Come enjoy the big screen with Movies on the Lawn for teens and their friends.

Solar Eclipse Party & Cookout

Date: April 8

Time: 1 pm Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS Description: Come join Bronco Youth Center for an afternoon of food and games as we safely view what has been dubbed the "Great North American Eclipse."

Passport to Manhood Robotics Night

Date: April 12 Time: 6 pm

Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS **Description:** Come join Bronco Youth Center for an evening of robotics with Soldiers. Learn how the military uses robots in many areas of the day-to-day life of a Solider.

Month of the Military Chil<mark>d</mark> Swim Party

Date: April 13 Time: 1 - 3 pm

Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS **Description:** Come join the Bronco team for an afternoon of fun and games while spending the afternoon swimming with peers. This will be a way to destress from the long week at school and enjoy time with friends.

MOMC Tent Night and Camping Fun

Date: April 26 Time: 7 pm - 7 am

Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS

Description: Join us as we camp out on the grounds at Bronco Youth Center. This will be an evening filled with glow in the dark painting, ring toss, laser tag, football, midnight basketball, bingo, roasting marshmallows, and outdoor movies. Calling all 6th-12th graders for a night of fun and adventure. Bring your own tent and camping gear and join the fun. See how to enjoy and survive the "Great Outdoors" under the stars!!

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High Chaparral YC

January

Family Night/ Newcomers: Grow a Snowflake

Date: January 12 Time: 5:30 pm

Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS

Description: If there's no snow outside try growing your own snowflakes. Grow amazing crystal snowflakes using Borax, water, and your creativity. Bringing real snow inside one at a time is next to impossible so join us and make amazing winter snowflakes.

Spare Time Texas

Date: January 20 Time: 1- 6 pm Cost: TBA Description: Saturdays are all about fun! Come join us for bowling, laser tag, and arcade games. It will be an exciting day of fun with friends!

Late Night: Eat Healthy/Exercise More

Date: January 19 Time: 5 pm Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS Description: Kick start 2024 with a New Year's

Resolution of "Here's" to Your Health" with High Chaparral. Join us to get 2024 started right with health tips and information on how to eat healthier and exercise more.

Tech: The Science of Snow

Date: January 5 Time: 5 pm Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS Description: Did you miss out on some winter flurries? It's snow big deal! Join us to learn about the science of snow and be ready to make some DIY powder to keep the chill vibes all year long. Don't "flake" out on us!

Tech: The Fun of Foley

Date: January 30 Time: 5 pm

Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS **Description:** Did you know a metal bowl can be a spaceship? Or a piece of paper can be a monster? The magic that goes behind foley art is truly amazing and you can be a part of it, too. Learn to dub over a video with your own voice and sound effects and feel like a pro!

Activities and Events Bldg. 5485, Hoover Hill Rd, 254-287-5646 February

Family Night/ Newcomers: History of Soul Food Date: February 9

Time: 5 pm

Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS **Description:** Join us as we celebrate a little soul for Black History Month. We will have different dishes from the South.

Late Night: Love and Basketball

Date: February 16 Time: 5 pm

Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS **Description:** If you like sports, then you will love the game of basketball with of group of peers showing their skills. Join us with your friends for a friendly game with teamwork and fun at High Chaparral Youth Center.

Tech: Without A Recipe - S.T.E.M. Chocolate Challenge

Date: February 1 Time: 5 pm

Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS **Description:** Making a sweet treat for your friends and Family seems easy right? What if you don't have a recipe? Discover the true science behind cooking and experiment with the ingredients to create something truly delicious or maybe truly dubious. Either way, it'll be a day to remember!

Te<mark>c</mark>h: Digital Valentine Cards

Date: February 7 Time: 5 pm

Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS **Description:** With Valentine's Day just a week away, step up your card game with a beautiful custom-made card. We'll utilize different digital programs to make sure your digital dreams can become (virtual) reality!

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Family Night/ Newcomers: Karaoke Night Date: March 8

Time: 5 pm

Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS

Description: Family and friends are invited to High Chaparral Youth Center for a night of singing to your favorite tunes of the greatest female singers in history.

Love and Basketball

Date: March 15

Time: 5 pm Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS

Description: If you like sports, then you will love the game of basketball with of group of peers showing their skills. Join us with your friends for a friendly game with teamwork and fun at High Chaparral Youth Center.

Movies & Popcorn

Date: March 16 Time: 5:30 pm

Cost: TBA

Description: Everyone loves a good movie with friends! Come and join High Chaparral Youth Center and invite friends. Relax and enjoy a PG movie at a theater near you.

Tech: National Pi Day

Date: March 14

Time: 5 pm

Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS

Description: Did you know most people only know the first 3 digits of Pi? Join us for a night for math games, math trivia and maybe actual pie as we celebrate Pi Day.

Tech: Mario Day - Video Game Chall<mark>e</mark>nge

Date: March 7

Time: 5 pm

Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS **Description:** Wahoo! March 10th is Mario Day! Grab your 1-up's and dodge those banana peels as we celebrate gaming's favorite platforming plumber! Show your skills in a variety of different Mario games and become a super star! Let's-a-go!

April

Military Purple Up Walk for Life

Date: April 7 Time: 5 pm

Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS **Description:** Come join High Chaparral in promoting health and fitness in our walk for life exercise program. Enjoy the fun in exercising and other fun activities.

Parent Advisory Board / Newcomers 80's Night

Date: April 12 Time: 5:30pm

Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS **Description:** Let's travel back in time...to the 80's. Come dressed old school and we will celebrate all things 80's, from butterfly clips to boy bands. Light refreshments will be served.

Earth Day: Community Garden Trip

Date: April 20 Time: 9 am - 8 pm Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS Description: Join us as we prepare to celebrate Earth Day by cleaning up the local community garden. After a few hours of volunteerism, we will cool off with shakes.

Tech: Super Solar Stargazing

Date: April 5 Time: 7 pm Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS Description: With a historic solar eclipse right round the corner, join us for a crash course trip through the stars. With our trusty telescope, we'll work together to map the cosmos and be ready to witness the upcoming solar eclipse. Participants will get a pair of eclipse glasses.

Tech: Recycled Articulated Hands

Date: April 23 Time: 5 pm

Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS **Description:** April is the month we celebrate Earth Day. It's a time to analyze our impact on the planet and a

reminder to reduce, reuse, recycle. Join us in using recycled materials to create and giant articulated moving hand. How strong can you make yours?



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Comanche YC Activities and Events Bldg. 52019, Tank Destroyer Blvd., 254-287-5834

January

Bowling with Comanche Late Night

Date: January 12

Time: 8 - 11 pm **Cost:** No cost for youth enrolled with CYS **Description:** Please join Comanche Youth Center for a night out of fun. Winter is here and what better way to keep our youth warm and entertained than a bowling night out with their friends. Youth will need to bring extra money for food and snacks to the bowling alley. Bowling and shoes will be provided to all registered youth 6th to 12th grade.

Comanche's Talent Family Night

Date: January 25 Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS Time: 5:30 - 7:30 pm

Description: Please join us for an evening of great entertainment from our very own youth here at the Comanche Youth Talent Show! Our youth have so many different talents and what better way to showcase them for our Families! Prizes will be given to our lucky winners. Food and drinks will be provided . Can't wait to see you there!

Tech: National Puzzle Day (Lets Create a Challenging Puzzle

Date: January 29 Time: 5:30 - 7:00 pm

Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS **Description:** National Puzzle Day is a perfect opportunity to engage the youth with critical thinking and problem-solving skills through puzzles and brainteasers. We will create a variety of puzzles, from jigsaw puzzles to logic puzzles, using available technology and encourage teamwork and collaboration. This day promotes perseverance, patience, and creativity while stimulating learning. Join us for a fun and challenging day!



February

Masquerade Late Night Date: February 9 Time: 8 pm - 10:30 pm Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS Time: 8 - 10:30 pm

Description: Dress in your best formal attire for our "Masquerade Late Night" dance. Enjoy the night with your friends and dance the night away! We will be providing drinks, food, and the masks.

A Night of History Family Night

Date: February 22 Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS Time: 5:30 - 7:30 pm

Description: Join Comanche Youth Center to celebrate Black History Month with a night of history. We will learn about a WWII unit made of the best Army escort pilots, known as the Red Tails. The Red Tails were encountering racism at home while fighting the Germans abroad in this action-packed drama based on a true story of the Tuskegee Airmen. So come on down with Family and friends and enjoy this awesome movie. Food and refreshment will be served.

Tech: National Engineering Week Provoke Thought w/ The Light Bulb

Date: February 23 **Time:** 5:30 - 7 pm

Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS **Description:** National Engineering Week is a time to introduce the youth to the exciting engineering world of African Americans. We will explore the journey of Lewis Latimer, the inventor and engineer of today's light bulb and many other inventions. We will explore different branches of engineering, such as civil, mechanical, electrical, and aerospace. We will engage in hands-on engineering activities by operationalizing our light bulbs. This event provides an opportunity to foster creativity, problem-solving, and teamwork while showcasing the impact of engineering on society.

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Game Night Fun Late Night

Date: March 8

Time: 8 - 11 pm

Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS

Description: Spring is here, and flowers are blooming. Please join Comanche Youth Center in a game night full of board games, video game competitions and lots of laughter will be going on. Please feel free to come and have fun and have lots of laughs and create plenty of memories.

Classic Padd<mark>y</mark> Day Family Night Date: March 28

Time: 5:30 - 7:30 pm Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS Description: Get ready for a burst of cheer at Comanche Youth Center's Classic Paddy Day! Don your favorite green attire and join us for a vibrant evening packed with delightful games, a thrilling gold coin scavenger hunt, and scrumptious food. From young to young at heart, there's a golden moment waiting to be discovered by everyone.

TECH: International Women's Day

Date: March 8

Time: 5:30 – 7 pm

Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS **Description:** Help us celebrate International Women's Day with the women in STEM. Join us at Comanche Youth Center while we do some fun activities in robotics, engineering, space, and art. We will be learning about the women who created the tools we use today and have some fun while doing it. Come and have some fun learning and tinkering with us here at

Comanche.



April

The Dandelion Festival Family Night Date: April 25

Time: 5:30 - 7:30 pm

Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS **Description:** It's that time of the year when we celebrate the Month of the Military Child. The official flower of the military child is the dandelion. Why? The plant puts down roots almost anywhere, and it's almost impossible to destroy. It's an unpretentious plant, yet good looking. It's a survivor in a broad range of climates. Military youth bloom everywhere the winds carry them and are very resilient. Comanche Youth Center is hosting a festival to celebrate our youth with a color run, water play, face painting, MOMC T-shirts and much more. Cotton candy, snow cones, food and refreshments will be served.

TECH:Earth Day Date: April 22 Time: 5:30 - 7 pm Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS Description: Celebrate Earth Day with us

Description: Celebrate Earth Day with us here at Comanche Youth Center for a day of cleaning up our environment. We are hosting a clean-up our community day here at Comanche. Come and join us in our journey of creating a safe environment and future for our youth and planet by beautifying our center and the area surrounding us.



Montague YC *Activities and Events Bldg. 70020, Clement Drive, 254-553-7670*

January

Fresh Start: Let's Juice Date: January 12 Time: 5 - 7 pm Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS Description: Let's "Juice It Up" as we start the New Year and welcome everyone back from the holidays to a fresh new start at Montague Youth Center. We will enjoy fresh juice as we will learn the value that juicing has on our bodies.

STEM: Architect for the Day

Date: January 19 **Time:** 5:30 - 7 pm

Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS **Description:** Have you ever thought about what goes into building a bridge? How are bridges made? Try your engineering skills with pennies, popsicle sticks, toothpicks and many other supplies and material that will bring out your creativity and hidden talents. Come

to Montague Youth Center and challenge your peers to a bridge building contest.

LATE NIGHT: Hail & Farewell Winter Dance

Date: January 26

Time: 7-10 pm Cost: One pair of socks or two can foods

Description: "Sway with me" as we sachet, bounce, slide and move around the dance floor for the evening total fun and excitement. This will be a night of music, dancing and welcoming our new friends as we sadly say goodbye to some of our Families and friends.

STEM: Mosaic Candy

Date: January 29 Time: 1 - 3 pm Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS Description: Have you ever wondered what eating a piece of art would taste like? Well, here's your opportunity. Youth will make creative pieces of candy using edible ink, to create their own "Mosaic Candy" creation, then they are free to "eat up." Come join us for a fun night of when candy meets art.

February

Parent Advisory Board / Family Night: Preserving History and Inspiring the Future Date: February 2 Time: 4:30 - 6:30 pm Cost: No cost to children enrolled in CYS Description: Watch history unfold before your eyes! Join us as we take a walk-through Black History to honor the many African American contributions and

achievements that enlightened our past, present, and future to come. Light refreshments will be provided as we stroll through the Montague Museum of "Black Excellence."

End Zone LVII

Date: February 9 Time: TBD Cost: No cost to children enrolled in CYS Description: What better way to support your favorite football team than to dress up in the team's gear. Join us for a Montague tailgate party and event good time.

Late Night: Smart Girls Spa-tacular

Date: February 23 Time: 6 - 10 pm Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS Description: Grab your besties and hurry out to Montague Youth Center. Join us for a peaceful and relaxing evening as we indulge in self-care essentials! Also, we will be discussing healthy relationships, practicing breathing techniques with yoga and more! Namaste!



Parent Advisory Board / Family Night: Seussville Spectacular

Date: March 2

Time: 4:30 - 6 pm

Cost: No cost to children enrolled in CYS

Description: Reading is a gateway to imagination and the unthinkable. "Think left and think right, think low and think high. Oh, the thinks you can think up if only you try." -Dr. Seuss. Join us for our monthly Parent Advisory Board/Family Night that will highlight the imagination.

Spring Clinic: Spring into Action

Date: March 11 - 15

Time: 7 am - 1 pm

Cost: Fees based on Total Family Income **Description:** "Spring Into Action" with us during our

Spring Break Clinic. No need to stay home and be bored when we have lots of fun and exciting activities, community service and trips here for you. Come out during this week and participate in our "Chain of Communication" to get your voice heard and your issues concerning school, community, and youth facility, off your chest. Don't forget to bring your solutions, as well.

Late Night: March Madness: Passport 2 Manhood Date: March 29

Time: 7 - 10 pm

Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS

Description: A night just for the "fellows." Join us for a time of celebrating our young men and gearing the night around their interest. There will be gaming, basketball, shoe designing and more. Tell your "bro" he doesn't want to miss it.



April

Parent Advisory Board / Family Night: Month of the Military Child Celebration

Date: April 5

Time: 4:30 - 7:30 pm

Cost: No cost to children enrolled in CYS **Description:** This month is set aside for the appreciation of military children as it is used to recognize military youth for their sacrifice and bravery on the home front as they endure deployments and a lifestyle that only military children would understand. Join us as we celebrate our military youth with fun games, activities, and refreshments.

Let's Be Cheesy!

Date: April 12

Time: 5:30 - 7 pm

Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS **Description:** Today is National Grilled Cheese Day and you know what that means, time to join us at Montague Youth Center to get in the kitchen and whip up some grill cheese sandwiches anyway you like them.

Nurture Nature

Date: April 22 Time: 4:30 - 6 pm Cost: No cost to youth enrolled in CYS Description: Let's all join in to do our part in nurturing nature. Youth will be planting a tree, making bird feeders, and cleaning the grounds in our effort to show we love our earth.

Late Night: Godzilla Vs Kong Movie Date: April 26 Time: TBD

Cost: No cost for youth enrolled with CYS **Description:** The All-Time Mega Kings go at it with each other again in the upcoming sequel move Godzilla Vs Kong. Come join us at the theatre as we watch these titans face off on the big screen.



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