



School Liaison's Cheat Sheet

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May 2012

1, 24 - TPES kindergarten registration
1-11 - Oasis kindergarten registration
14-18, 21-25 - Palm Vista kindergarten registration
14-June 16 - Condor kindergarten registration
28 - No school!

Week-long observances

1st Week: Nurses' Week
2nd Week: Wildflower Week
3rd Week: National Bike Week and National Police Week
4th Week: Emergency Medical Services Week

Month-long observances

Foster Care Month
National Barbecue Month
National Bike Month
National Hamburger Month
National Photograph Month
National Recommitment Month
National Salad Month
Older Americans Month

**Your kids. Their new schools.
YOUR way.**

**Your MCAGCC School Liaison is here
to provide personalized assistance & resources**

- You can ...
- ✓ Take a **school** tour
 - ✓ Meet your **principal** and counselor
 - ✓ Meet other **students**
 - ✓ **Register**
 - ✓ Get class **schedules**
 - ✓ **Pick up** a calendar
 - ✓ **Find out** about sports, activities

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Shout-outs for 2012 grads

Mom or Dad unable to make high school graduation ceremony on June 12 due to deployment, work-ups, training or other military-related circumstances? We would like to offer you an invitation to participate in a Graduation "Shout Out" video. This is a simple way to allow you to be a part of your senior's special day from a distance. Call the School Liaison, 760-830-1574, for more information.

Listen to the music

The city of Twentynine Palms will hold its free 2012 Spring Concert in the Park from 12:30 to 8:30 p.m. May 19 at Luckie Park, corner of Joe Davis Drive and Utah Trail, across from 801 housing.

Featured bands include:

- Reaction at 12:30
- Lazy Brad Lewis Band at 3:30
- Southbound at 6:30

The family-friendly event also will feature a bounce houses for the kids, a variety of food vendors and a beer booth for adults. For more information, call 760-367-7562

Show her she's special

Dads, it's your chance to bring the kiddos over to the Lifelong Learning Library to create a gift for mom just in time for Mother's Day.

Make a Gift for Mom will be held from 6-7 May 10.

For more information, please call 760-830-6875.



Compact eases students' transitions

Because military families encounter public school challenges for their children's enrollment, eligibility, placement and graduation due to frequent relocations, the Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission (MIC3) seeks to ease the transition for those students with the Military Interstate Compact.

The compact seeks to replace the widely varying policies affecting transitioning military students by using a comprehensive approach that provides a consistent policy in every school district in every state that joins. Children of active-duty service members, National Guard and Reserve on active-duty orders, and members or veterans who are medically discharged or retired for one year are eligible for assistance under the compact. It was developed by The Council of State Governments' National Center for Interstate Compacts, the Department of Defense, national associations, federal and state officials, departments of education, school administrators and military families. To participate, states must adopt the compact through their legislative process. Once a state joins, it appoints a representative to a governing commission responsible for enacting rules to implement the compact, and creates a state council based on the requirements of their state legislation.

Some of the educational issues covered in the compact include:

- **Enrollment:** Educational records, immunizations, kindergarten and first-grade entrance age, placement and attendance, course and educational program placement, special education services, placement flexibility and absence related to deployment activities.
- **Eligibility:** Student enrollment and extracurricular participation.
- **Graduation:** Waiving courses required for graduation if similar course work has been completed, flexibility in accepting state exit or end-of-course exams, national achievement tests, or alternative testing in lieu of testing requirements for graduation in the receiving state and allowing a student to receive a diploma from the sending school instead of the receiving school.

For more information, contact the Interstate Commission on Educational Opportunities for Military Children, 2760 Research Park Drive, P.O. Box 11910, Lexington, KY 40578-1910
859-244-8000 • <http://mic3.net>

Sign up for summer sports!

Summer youth sports are just around the corner, so make plans to sign up at the MCCC Community Center, Bldg. 1004.



Center hours are 7:30 a.m. to

6 p.m. Monday through Friday. Here's how:

Step 1: Complete Parents Association for Youth Sports Online Program at <http://paysonline.nays.org>, find chapter CA-MCAGCC and type in code 1254.

Step 2: Bring registration packet, proof of age, Parents Association for Youth Sports completion member card and cash or check payment.

CHALLENGER BRITISH SOCCER CAMP

When: June

Ages: 3 to 18

Register: Now through June

HOOK A KID ON GOLF

When: June

Ages: 7 to 13

Register: Through May

START SMART SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

When: June/July

Ages: 3 to 5

Register: Now through June

YOUTH BOWLING

When: Tuesdays through Fridays in July

Ages: 7 to 18

Register: May through July

CHEER "BOOT" CAMP

When: August

Ages: 5 to 14

Register: June and July

BASKETBALL CAMP

When: August

Ages: 6 to 18

Register: June and July

Questions? 760-830-8421

Looking for a summer job?

The Family Member Employment Assistance Program (FMEAP) provides assistance to active-duty military family members and to reservists, retirees and civilians, if space is available, to help them achieve their personal and professional goals through employment, education or volunteerism. FMEAP also acts as a force for retention; successful spouse employment assists in retaining the career active-duty service member.

For more information, contact FMEAP in the Career Resource Office, Bldg. 1438, by calling 760-830-7225. Hours are 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Love your mom? Tell her with a flip note

Materials needed

- Colored 3- by 5-inch index cards
- Hole punch • Scissors • Card stock • Small metal binder rings



How to make it

1. Fill several colored 3- by 5-inch index cards with poems, drawings and heartfelt messages. Make two holes at the top of each card with a hole punch (make sure they line up).
2. To prepare a stand, cut a piece of colorful card stock into a 5- by 10-inch rectangle, then fold in half widthwise. Punch two holes just below the fold, using a punched index cards as a guide. Fold each end of the card stock 2 inches in from the edge, then use scissors to cut a 1-inch slit in the center of each flap.
3. Stack cards, placing the folded card stock at the bottom of the pile, then bind together with two small metal binder rings. To set up the flip-book, interlock the slits in the flaps of the card stock to create a triangular display stand.