

MCCS HQ
Building 693

MCAS Yuma School Liaison Program

Newsletter
Apr-Jun 2026

welcome

APRIL 2026

Join us in lifting up and recognizing our amazing military connected children all month long!

Arizona's day to wear purple is
Friday, April 24th

Month of the
★ MILITARY CHILD ★



Greetings from the

MCAS Yuma School Liaison Program!

Greetings from your MCAS Yuma School Liaison and installation point of contact for all pK-12 school related questions. School Liaisons are uniquely qualified to help address your school related questions and concerns during times of transition and anytime while aboard MCAS Yuma.

In this quarterly edition of the SLP newsletter, you will find:

- ◆ Helpful Parent Resources & Enrolling in School
- ◆ PCS Smooth Move & Welcome Aboard Briefs
 - ◆ Month of the Military Child 2026!
 - ◆ Summer Camp Opportunities
- ◆ Let's Get Social! Join Our Facebook Group
 - ◆ Homeschool 101 Workshops
 - ◆ SL Program Evaluation Tool
 - ◆ Children's Literacy Activities
 - ◆ College & Career
- ◆ AZ Recess Law & Adopt-A-School Program

USMC School Liaisons are the critical link between families, commanders, communities, and schools to improve educational outcomes, quality of life, and operational readiness.

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[MCCS Yuma – Children, Youth and Parent Programs | Facebook](#)



Parent Resources



School PCS Checklist

Schools & Calendars for Yuma County

Bus Map & Schedules for MCAS Yuma

Arizona Department of Education

Encircle Families

Homeschool Info for Yuma County

MCAS Yuma K-12 School Info Packet for Families

Tips for Parent-Teacher Conferences

Tips for Helping with Homework

Resources for Reading & Literacy

Khan Academy

What do I need to register my child for school?

- ◆ Child's Original Birth Certificate
- ◆ Immunization Records
- ◆ Proof of Arizona Residency
- ◆ PCS Orders to Yuma
- ◆ Current IEP and/or 504 Documents (if applicable)
- ◆ Proof of Withdrawal (previous school)
- ◆ Last Report Card

Know Your Rights—Interstate Compact Rules for AZ

The Military Interstate Compact has certain provisions for children of active duty military service members regarding school enrollment, registration, and other K-12 education related issues that are impacted by frequent PCS moves. Read the full compact in Arizona to know your rights as a military family. *These statutes only apply to Arizona public and charter schools and do not cover children enrolling in private or homeschool programs.*

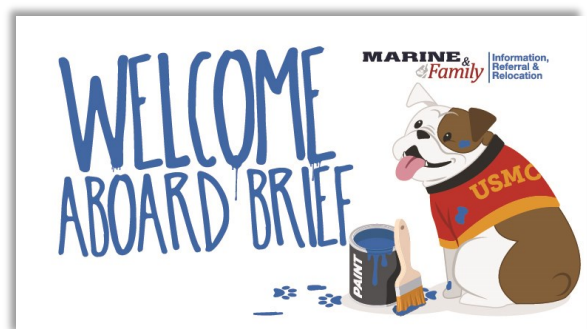
Attend and Get the Info You Need

Are you just arriving to MCAS Yuma? Come check out the **Welcome Aboard Brief**, held on the 3rd Wednesday of every month from 8-10 a.m. at Sonoran Pueblo! Meet the School Liaison and talk about schooling options and resources

Getting ready to PCS? Attending **PCS For Success Workshop** is an excellent step towards getting yourself and your family ready for your next move. School Liaison will share best practices and tips for smooth schooling transitions.

Call (928) 269-6499 to register or request a sponsor.

<https://yuma.usmc-mccs.org/calendar-of-events>





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APRIL IS THE MONTH OF THE MILITARY CHILD



ON AVERAGE, MILITARY CHILDREN
ATTEND 6-9 SCHOOLS BETWEEN
GRADES K-12.



IN APRIL, SHOW YOUR SUPPORT
FOR MILITARY CHILDREN BY
WEARING PURPLE. PURPLE
SYMBOLIZES ALL BRANCHES OF
THE MILITARY, A COMBINATION OF
ARMY GREEN, MARINE RED, AIR
FORCE BLUE, COAST GUARD BLUE,
AND NAVY BLUE.





STEMKAMP

July 6-10 2026

Ron Watson Middle School, Yuma, AZ

Rising 3rd-8th grade students welcome. Application opens April 20 @ 8am. No Cost.

www.stemkamp.net

4-H Military Teen Adventure Camps

Various dates May-June 2026. Week long adventure camps in Flagstaff, AZ. Kayaking & River Rafting. Military youth ages 13-18 welcome (some camps have certain age requirements to attend). Some fees may apply.

<https://www.4-hmilitarypartnership.org/summer-camps.html>

Contact Elsa Jacobson for information: elsajacobson@arizona.edu or (520) 621-1561 ext. 319571

Right at School

June 1—July 24, 2026

Palmcroft Elementary School, Yuma, AZ

Kinder-5th grade students welcome. Registration open now. Fees apply. (928) 580-0048 or

Palmcroft@rightatschool.com

<https://rascamps.com/summer-camp/>

Boys and Girls Club of the Valley—Yuma Branch

June 1—July 22, 2026

Ages 5-18 welcome. Registration open now. Fees apply.

1100 S 13th Ave, Yuma, AZ 85364 & (928) 575-2450

<https://yuma.bgcaz.org>

City of Yuma Parks & Recreation

Summer 2026

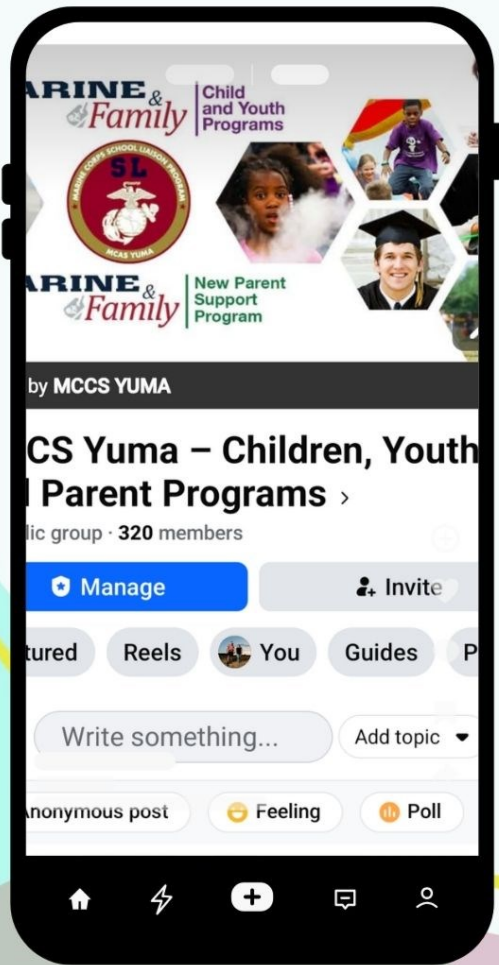
Various classes and activities that kids can enjoy locally all summer long.

<https://www.yumaaz.gov/government/parks-recreation>

Let's Get Social

WE'RE ON FACEBOOK

Join our "MCCS Yuma-Children, Youth and Parent Programs" Group



FEATURING...
CHILD & YOUTH
NEW PARENT SUPPORT
SCHOOL LIAISON



HOMESCHOOL

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WORKSHOP

Registration is required

Join us for this
parent-focused workshop!
Learn more information on
schooling options

Wed, Apr 8

Two sessions available:
9am-10:30am & 3:30pm-5pm
MCCS HQ, Bldg 693

Children may attend with a parent, but space is limited and childcare is not provided. Open to Active Duty military and DoW civilian families.

Walk-ins are welcome as space allows. If the session is full, parents may schedule a one-on-one appointment with the School Liaison.

To register, (928) 269-5373



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SCHOOL LIAISON PROGRAM EVALUATION

Do you have a few moments to help us make the school liaison program (SLP) the best it can be? **We need your important feedback!**

This brief survey asks about your family's experiences with the SLP. This is an open survey; feedback is welcome anytime. **All responses are voluntary and anonymous.** The survey is for active duty Marines only at this time.

**VISIT THE LINK BELOW
OR SCAN THE QR CODE
TO TAKE THE SURVEY!**

https://usnavy.gov1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0PAEFLoAr9PzxWe



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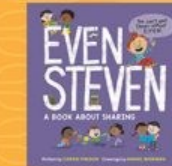
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"There are many little ways to enlarge your child's world. Love of books is the best of all." —Eric Carle

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School Library Month | Autism Acceptance Month | Poetry Month | Humor Month

April 2026
Children's Activity Calendar



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"It's a powerful thing to lose yourself in a book and then re-emerge to see the world with a new clarity." —Minh Lê

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Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month | Jewish American Heritage Month | Get Caught Reading Month

May 2026
Children's Activity Calendar



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2026 AP Exam Calendar

The 2026 AP Exams will be administered in schools over two weeks in May: May 4–8 and May 11–15.

Start Times

Schools in all locations must begin the morning exam administration between 8 and 9 a.m. local time and the afternoon exam administration between 12 and 1 p.m. local time.

View exam details at <https://apcentral.collegeboard.org/exam-administration-ordering-scores/exam-dates>

CLEP and Earn College Credit

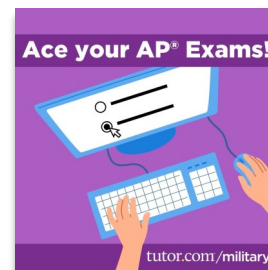
CLEP exams let you test out of introductory courses and move to more advanced courses sooner, saving time toward your degree.

[Earn College Credit with CLEP – CLEP | College Board](#)

AZ High School Grad Req's

AZ requires 22 credits to graduate high school; C/o 2026 and after must pass the [USCIS civics exam](#) with a score of 70/100

[High School Graduation Information | Arizona Department of Education \(azed.gov\)](#)



SAT Test Dates and Deadlines

Test dates and deadlines apply to all students—U.S. and international—taking the SAT.

Register at <https://mysat.collegeboard.org/>

SAT Test Date	Registration Deadline	Deadline for Changes/Late Reg.
23 Aug 2025	8 Aug 2025	12 Aug 2025
13 Sept 2025	29 Aug 2025	2 Sept 2025
4 Oct 2025	19 Sept 2025	23 Sept 2025
8 Nov 2025	24 Oct 2025	28 Oct 2025
6 Dec 2025	21 Nov 2025	25 Nov 2025
14 Mar 2026	27 Feb 2026	3 Mar 2026
2 May 2026	17 Apr 2026	21 Apr 2026
6 June 2026	22 May 2026	26 May 2026

Armed Services

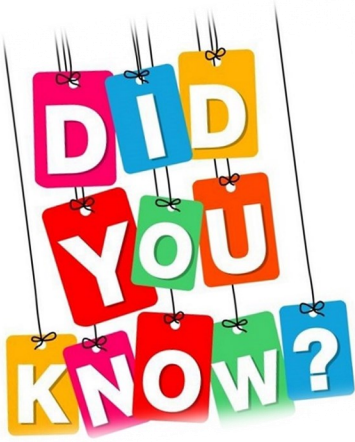
Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB)

Interested in pursuing a career in the military post high school graduation? Learn more about the ASVAB, an exam all applicants for enlisted service must take. Interested applicants should start by contacting a military recruiter for more information.

<https://www.officialasvab.com>

Find a recruiter near you

www.usa.gov/military-requirements



Arizona School Recess Law

Did you know that public schools in Arizona are required by law to provide recess? Read all about it!

- ◆ S.B. 1083 requires all schools that have grades K-5 to provide 2 recess periods per school day at minimum (law passed in 2018)
- ◆ Recess can include unstructured and structured activities
- ◆ Schools are required to have a written recess policy
- ◆ Before-school/arrival play time is not to be counted as one of the two required recess periods
- ◆ This law recognizes that recess promotes optimal development of the whole child

Learn more about school recess law
<https://www.azed.gov/pe/recess/>

We value your feedback! Take a moment to let us know what we're doing well and what you would like to see from the MCAS Yuma School Liaison Program

Complete the ICE Survey by going to:
<https://ice.disa.mil>



Adopt A School Program

MCAS Yuma tenant squadrons have adopted 4 schools in Yuma County!

The **Adopt-a-School** program is a voluntary program, affording squadron/unit commanders with the opportunity to forge collaborative, grass roots relationships with local K-12 schools. These unique unit-school relationships promote mutual understanding while creating a stronger sense of community. Through this program, units can be positive role models in the lives of students and assist teachers in providing additional resources in the classroom and through special learning activities, both on the school campus and the installation. The School Liaison has the responsibility to promote, foster and oversee these partnerships.

Adopt A School Partnerships for the 25-26 school year and beyond...

H&HS & Otondo Elementary School
MALS-13 & Valley Horizon Elementary School
MALS-13 & Castle Dome Middle School
VMU-1 & Rolle Elementary School

Looking for installation support for a child who already has an IEP? Reach out to the MCAS Yuma EFMP at (928) 269-2949.



Families who have childcare needs are encouraged to contact MCAS Yuma CYP Resource & Referral (928) 269-3234/3251.



Family Care Program

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(928) 269-5373
www.mccsyuma.org