

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY US ARMY INSTALLATION MANAGEMENT COMMAND HEADQUARTERS, UNITED STATES ARMY GARRISON, FORT BLISS 1741 MARSHALL ROAD FORT BLISS, TX 79916-3803

July 19, 2021

Dear Child and Youth Services Patron,

I am writing to notify you that on September 2, 2021, the Army will implement the School Year (SY) 2021-2022 Army Child and Youth Fee Policy as required by the SY 2021-2022 Department of Defense (DoD) Child Development Program Fee Policy. The DoD Fee Policy, issued each year, prescribes uniform fee regulations for military child developments programs based on Total Family Income (TFI). The key points included in the SY 2021-2022 Child and Youth Fee Policy are:

a. The SY 2021-2022 Fee Policy represents year one of the Office of Secretary of Defense (OSD) five year model to gradually increase the number of income categories and fees.

b. The SY 2021-2022 Fee Policy increases the number of fee categories from nine to thirteen TFI categories. Category TFI ranges occur in \$10,000 increments starting at \$30,000.

c. The Services, directed by OSD, are to implement the minimum compensation rate (hourly pay rate) for all direct care staff in child development programs and youth programs. OSD made changes to the fee policy to generate income to help pay for these increases for program staff and to facilitate staff recruitment and retention.

d. The hourly care rate has changed from \$5 to \$7.

e. A daily fee of \$50 is charged for occasional users attending School Age Care (SAC) more than four hours per day. A daily fee of \$30 is charged for occasional users attending SAC four or less hours per day. An occasional user daily fee of \$30 applies to occasional users needing supervised programming before 1:00 p.m. on school out days.

f. Parent fees by total family income (TFI) have not changed since SY 2018-2019.

To address any issues or concerns, please contact Elvia Walker at Parent Central Services at 915-568-4374 or 915-568-4771.

Sincerely,

Frank W. Lands Deputy Garrison Commander