

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

If your child has any allergies (food, insect bites, etc.) or emergency medication needs (asthma, epi-pen etc.), please meet with your pediatrician to develop an allergy/emergency action plan to provide to the CDC. Any other special needs should be discussed with Laughlin AFB CDC program administration in order for them to assist you in providing the most appropriate care plan for your child's individual needs.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Part-Day Enrichment: Based off of demand, the CDC offers a part-day morning program for ages 3 to 5 years old from 0830-1130 MWF. Please contact the CDC for more details.

Give Parents a Break: An Air Force Aid funded child care program for AD members who "need a break" and are referred by First Sergeants, Commanders, supervisors, or base helping agencies like A&FRC. The program is offered one Saturday a month at the CDC and alternates between 1800-2300 evenings and 1230-1730 daytimes. Without a referral, GPAB is open to all base personnel for a flat rate of \$25 per child.

Sublet Care: Parents utilizing the CDC on a full-time basis must lease their space to a single patron for an entire week at a time. Please contact the CDC for further information.

Parent Advisory Board: Parents of enrolled children at the CDC meet quarterly to discuss program highlights, address concerns, and set goals for the program. The meetings are conducted by parents and CDC administration staff. The purpose of this program

is to increase parent involvement and awareness in the CDC Programs and their child's classroom.



NAEYC

We are accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children. NAEYC is nationally recognized as the gold standard for early childhood education, by connecting practice, policy and research. NAEYC works to create standards that provide diverse and dynamic early childhood professionals who support, care, and work towards the betterment of all children.

Installation Family Advocacy Office

830-298-6422

Child Protective Services

1-800-252-5400

If you suspect child abuse, safety violations, or child neglect in your Child Development Center, report the incident to your Installation Family Advocacy Office or Child Protective Services.



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LAUGHLIN AIR FORCE BASE CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER



INFORMATION

HOURS

Monday-Friday 0630-1730
Closed Saturday, Sunday, and Federal Holidays

CONTACT US

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GENERAL INFORMATION

OUR MISSION

To assist DOD military and civilian personnel in balancing the competing demands of the accomplishment of DOD mission and family life by managing and delivering a system of quality, available, and affordable programs and services for children and youth from birth through 18 years of age.

ENROLLMENT REQUIREMENTS

Parents interested in enrolling in full-time or part-time programs at the Laughlin Child Development Center (CDC) must register on the website militarychildcare.com. After creating a profile, parents must make a request for care with the program that fits their child's age group. Families will be contacted within 30 days of placement to be notified of their status. If you have any questions regarding care, the waitlist process, or the MCC website please contact the CDC.

ENROLLMENT ELIGIBILITY

All children of active duty military, DOD civilians (APF/NAF), eligible employees of DoD contractors and others may be authorized as space is available. Please stop by the CDC during business hours to complete a registration packet. Documents required for registering include current immunizations, LES and/or pay statements from all income earned within the household, and credit card number. All registration forms must be completed and processed prior to a child's entrance in to the program. All new families must attend a Family Orientation prior to enrollment start date. This can be scheduled by contacting the CDC.

FULL DAY CARE

This program is for children six weeks to five years. Fees are established by DOD and are adjusted annually. The DOD uses sliding scale fees categories based on the total family income for each household. Full day care is offered year round excluding federal holidays. Fees not prorated for center closures.

PRESCHOOL CURRICULUM

The Laughlin Child Development Center strives to promote positive relationships among all children and adults through a warm, sensitive, and responsive environment which children feel secure in. The activities implemented in our program are consistent with the NAEYC standards of development in the areas of social, emotional, physical, language and cognitive. Caregivers work with program administrators to achieve a balance of play-based initiatives and early learning goals linked to the Texas State Pre-K Standards. The curriculum activities are planned based on student observations and interests while meeting the needs of daily routines and schedules.

As a family oriented center, the CDC assures a quality program environment. Through parent/teacher communication, we individualize each child's care and learning opportunities. As caregivers we believe in helping children develop a positive self-image, sense of independence and self-discipline through developmentally appropriate activities. Our program provides an age-appropriate Early Learning Matters Curriculum directly supports all developmental areas related to school readiness: cognitive, social, emotional, language, and physical. The CDC is a quality accredited program that enhances a child's development by providing children with the opportunity to discover and learn through a **PLAY** based curriculum to reach their **Po**-tential, learn through **L**iteracy, **A**ction within the community, prepare **Y**oung minds for the journey.

GOALS

- Enhance social skills
- Encourage children to think, reason, and question
- Build physical development and skills
- Support sound health, safety, and nutrition
- Advance creative expression and represent art
- Appreciate and respect cultural diversity

SICK CHILD POLICY GOALS

Children who are not fully able to participate in the day's activities should not be in attendance. We understand that this can be a hardship on families, but for the health of the other children in care, the program will be strict on the attendance of ill or mildly ill children. If your child becomes ill at the CDC we will notify you, your spouse, or your emergency contact to pick up your child. Please be sure your child has fully recovered before he/she returns to the CDC.

HOURLY CARE

Families wishing to utilize the CDC on a temporary basis are encouraged to call for hourly care availability. Hourly care is available Monday through Friday during business hours at a flat rate of \$5 an hour with a 2 hour minimum. Hourly care consists of **NO MORE THAN 2** days of drop in care per week. Parents wishing to utilize drop in care more often will be charged a **FULL-TIME** rate.

INFANT AND TODDLER CURRICULUM

The first three years of life are a period of incredible growth in all areas of your child's development. At Laughlin CDC, we strive to establish positive relationships between caregivers and children at infancy to promote healthy brain development. Caregivers play a critical role in baby brain building and we strive to provide individualized care that is nurturing and rich in research-based practices.

MEDICATION POLICIES

In an effort to follow through with your child's medication program, we administer prescribed medicine at the CDC. Medicine must be in the original container labeled with your child's name, doctor's name, and date prescribed, and have complete directions for administering with a start and stop date. All meds are controlled by the front desk staff and must be turned in to the desk personnel each morning to administer the second dose.