



Army Child, Youth, and School Services



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Military Child Care in Your Neighborhood (MCCYN):

- **Community child care spaces/services in *support of enduring Mission* Available for Active Component (Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps) families & AGR (Active Guard and Reserve full time Service Members) families who:**
 - are geographically dispersed (recruiters, ROTC instructors, etc)
 - live beyond a reasonable commuting distance of a military base
 - cannot access on base care due to long waiting lists
- **MCCYN Child Care Spaces (Care options for children 6 weeks -12 years old)**
 - located in 50 states
 - must be in nationally accredited child care settings
 - fees discounted comparable to those paid on-post
 - may include full day after school, weekend and evening duty hours care
- **Eligibility for care & reduced fees limited to working & student spouses**

MCCYN child care options *supplement, not replace* Military Operated on base mission child care



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MCCYN Provider Eligibility Centers/ School-Age Programs

- State-licensed with an inspection with the last 12 months **AND, One of the following high quality indicators**
- Accredited by an approved national accreditation agency
 - National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC)
 - National Accreditation Commission (NAC)
 - National Early Childhood Program Accreditation (NECPA)
 - Council on Accreditation (COA for school age programs)



MCCYN Eligibility FCC Providers

- State-licensed with an inspection within the last 12 months
AND, One of the following high quality indicators
- Accredited by the National Association for Family Child Care (NAFCC)
- If a Family child Care Provider, have achieved
 - A Child Development Associate (CDA) credential awarded by the Council for Professional Recognition
 - Associate's Degree or higher in Early childhood Education or Child Development

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Helpful links to MCCYN approved accreditation systems

National Association for the Education of Young Children - NAEYC is dedicated to improving the well being of all young children, with particular focus on the quality of educational and developmental services for all children from birth through age 8. For more information about NAEYC call 1.800.424.2460, ext. 360 or visit www.naeyc.org

National Early Childhood Program Accreditation – NECPA is an Automated Accreditation Indicator System. The NECPA has been carefully crafted to create broad public understanding of the benefits of high quality early childhood care and education. For more information about NECPA call 1.800.505.9878 or visit www.necpa.net

National Accreditation Commission – The National Accreditation Commission for Early Care and Education Programs (NAC) is a national accreditation program that was developed for early care and educational programs that are used to promote professionalism and quality in child care. For more information about NAC call 1.800.537.1118 or visit www.naccp.org

National Association for Family Child Care - NAFCC Accreditation is an accreditation system that has been designed to help family child care providers set and reach improvement goals and to help parents and policymakers identify high quality care in a home setting. For more information about NAFCC call 515.280.8192 or visit www.nafcc.org

The Council on Accreditation – COA partners with human service organizations worldwide to improve service delivery outcomes by developing, applying and promoting accreditation standards. For more information on COA Afterschool Accreditation call 1.866.262.8088 or visit www.coaafterschool.org



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- **National Association of Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies** - Is the national network of more than 850 child care resource and referral centers located in every state and most communities across the US. CCR&R centers help families, child care providers, and communities find, provide, and plan for affordable, quality child care. For more information on how to apply, eligibility and required documents call 703.341.4100 or visit www.naccrra.org and click on Military Programs.
- **Child Care Aware** - Is a non-profit initiative committed to helping parents find the best information on locating quality child care and child care resources in their community.



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