



1 ID and Fort Riley Monthly News Update



Hostile Fire/Imminent Danger Pay Changes



Service members who are deployed are encouraged to review their Leave and Earning Statements (LES). The National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2012 (NDAA FY12) signed into law on December 31, 2011, included a provision that changes Hostile Fire Pay (HFP) and Imminent Danger Pay (IDP) to be prorated to the number of days spent in the qualifying area rather than paid on a monthly basis.

Before December 31, service members received the full \$225 a month even if they performed duty only one day in an IDP area. Now service members will receive \$7.50 for each day they are on duty in an IDP area up to the maximum monthly rate of \$225. Service members who are exposed to a hostile fire or hostile mine explosion event are eligible to receive non-prorated HFP in the full monthly amount of \$225. Service members cannot receive both IDP and HFP in the same month.

The law required proration to begin on December 31, 2011; however, because it took time to publish implementing guidance and ready pay systems, the Department of Defense began to pay the prorated payments on February 1, 2012. If you are eligible to receive IDP, you may see the prorated amount of the pay in your February 15th paycheck depending on the actual number of days you spend in an IDP area. Some service members may have been overpaid between the date the NDAA was signed on December 31, 2011, and February 1, 2012, when the pay systems began proration.

The military Services are working to waive or remit debts for service members who may have been overpaid during this period. The intent is that service members will not be liable for any overpayment during this period. Also, service members do not need to request or take any action for this to take place. Your Service will take care of this for you.

If you have questions about pay, please contact your finance office. For more information, please visit www.dfas.mil/militarymembers/payentitlements/specialpay/hfp_idp.html.

March 2, 2012

Calendar of Events:

- March 7 - DHHB Casing Ceremony 3:30pm
- March 8 - 84 EOD Casing Ceremony 10:00am
- March 13 - Commissary Grand Opening 9:00am
- March 14 - 701st Assumption of Command 9:00am
- March 28 - Monthly Retirement Ceremony 10:00am
- March 31 - MOMC Pancake Feed 9:00am
- March 31 - Great Escapes Expo 10:00am

See pages 10 & 11 for more calendar updates.



Taxes and Residency for Military Spouses

During the tax season we often receive questions from military spouses about the *Military Spouse Residency Relief Act* (MSRRA). While this legislation addressed more than tax issues, it seems to be known for the impact it could have on a military family's state income tax filing.

MSRRA states a military spouse will neither lose nor acquire a residence for tax purposes by entering or leaving a tax jurisdiction while accompanying a service member who is moving as a result of military orders, as long as the residence is the same for husband and wife. The tax provisions in the MSRRA have implications for both state income tax and certain personal property taxes, such as vehicle registration fees, imposed by states and local jurisdictions. Real property taxes (those paid by homeowners) are not affected.

A military spouse is exempt from income taxes in a state where income was earned when all four qualifications are met:

1. The spouse currently resides in a state different than the state of his or her domicile;
2. The spouse resides in the state solely to live with the service member
3. The service member is present in the state in compliance with military orders; and
4. The spouse and service member are both able to claim the same domicile.

Spouses claiming a tax exemption from the state in which they have earned income should consider the impact on their income tax liability in their resident state. Additionally, military spouses should not assume their tax status will be the same as the service member's in their state of residency. A state may exempt military income earned while the service member is on orders out-of-state, but MSRRA does not automatically extend this exemption to a military spouse.

If you have questions about the MSRRA, please contact a military legal assistance office.

(Courtesy National Military Family Association)

Tuition Top-Up Program Explained

Top-Up is a program that allows GI Bill participants' to use the GI Bill to supplement the tuition and fees not covered by tuition assistance. The amount of the benefit can



be equal to the difference between the total cost of a college course and the amount of Tuition Assistance that is paid by the military for the course. To be eligible for the Top-Up benefit, you must be approved for federal Tuition Assistance by a military department and be eligible for MGIB AD benefits. To be eligible you must be an GI Bill participant, still on active duty, and must have served at least two full years. To get more information about Top-Up, please click: <http://mnstr.me/xkEyAQ>

(Courtesy AUSA)

Free Training for Military Spouses

Military Spouses: Apply for Free Training Opportunity The application period for the FINRA Foundation Military Spouse Accredited Financial Counselor® Fellowship is now open. This program will provide military spouses with the education necessary to enter the financial counseling career field.

Current or surviving spouses of any service member of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, Coast Guard, and the Commissioned Corps of PHS or NOAA (active duty, National Guard and Reserve, or retirees) are eligible for this program.

Applications and information is available online at www.militaryfamily.org/FINRAFellowship. All submissions must be received by midnight EST March 31, 2012.

This program is brought to you by the FINRA Investor Education Foundation together with the National Military Family Association and The Association for Financial Counseling and Planning Education® (AFCPE®).

(Courtesy of National Military Family Association)

DoD Spotlights Value of Financial Fitness



Citing the potentially devastating impact of financial issues on career and home life, officials are encouraging troops and their families to build financial fitness by kick-starting a savings plan and reducing their debt. Defense Department officials are putting the spotlight on financial readiness, particularly the importance of saving, as part of a national emphasis on financial well-being.

If people have something saved, they can avoid the temptation of borrowing from a predatory lender or other financial resource that may have a high interest rate and other unattractive terms, particularly in emergencies. The America Saves website offers some other savings strategies, located at: <http://www.americasaves.org/>, as well as SaveandInvest.org found at: <http://saveandinvest.org>. Additionally, the Defense Department's Military OneSource consultants can provide telephonic counseling or refer people to a counselor in a community. People can contact a consultant at 1-800-342-9647 or online at <http://www.militaryonesource.com>.
(Courtesy AUSA)

VA Introduces Text Messaging in Efforts to Prevent Suicide



The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is expanding its efforts to prevent suicide through several new initiatives that increase the availability of services for Veterans, Service members and their families. Now, in addition to the Veterans Crisis Line at 1-800-273-8255 and online chat, located at: www.VeteransCrisisLine.net, Veterans and Service members in crisis, and their friends and families, may text free of charge to 83-8255 to receive confidential, personal and immediate support. The text service is available, like the Veterans Crisis Line and online chat, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year and connects a user with a specially trained VA professional. To read further on this effort, please see: <http://1.usa.gov/xB0cd7>
(Courtesy AUSA)

OPSEC "For Your Safety and Theirs"

These OPSEC rules aren't meant to limit your free speech or restrict your liberties. They are designed to help ensure the safety and security of the men and women in uniform that fight to protect this right. Remember, no matter your affiliation, status, rank or age – you have a part in the security of the men and women who serve.

1. These rules cover blogs, Facebook and Twitter activities.
2. Do not post exact deployment dates or redeployment dates
3. Do not reveal camp locations, including nearby cities.
4. Do not, ever, post information or text information about casualties (coalition or enemy) before the official release of the information.
5. Do not discuss convoy routes ("the volunteers traveled through Village Y on their way to school X")
6. Do not release detailed information about missions, capabilities or morale of a unit
7. Specific names or actual nicknames
8. Details concerning security procedures, response times, tactics
9. Don't discuss equipment or lack thereof, to include training equipment
10. Don't speculate about future operations
11. If posting pictures, don't post anything that could be misconstrued or used for propaganda purposes. A good rule of thumb is to look at your picture without your caption or explanation and consider if it could be re-captioned to reflect poorly on whatever you are trying to portray.
12. Be very careful if posting pictures of a specific person. Avoid images that show significant landmarks near their base of operations.
13. Do not pass on rumors ("I heard they're coming home early", etc.).





TORNADO

Tornadoes, the most violent natural hazard, are rotating, funnel-shaped clouds formed from thunderstorms. Strong winds are the most destructive aspect, with gusts reaching as high as 300 mph. The damage path can be a mile wide. Tornado season is generally March through August, but tornadoes can occur any time of the year. Tornadoes most often occur at the tail end of a thunderstorm. Eighty percent of tornadoes occur between noon and midnight. While some areas are more prone to tornadoes than others, they can occur anywhere, so it is best to be prepared.



How to Prepare for a Tornado

- Stay informed and know tornado terminology:
 - **Tornado watch**—Weather conditions are favorable for the development of a tornado. Stay tuned to the radio or TV for more information and further instructions.
 - **Tornado warning**—A tornado has been spotted. Take shelter immediately.
- Identify a place in your home to take shelter in case of a tornado:
 - A storm shelter or basement provides the best protection.
 - Otherwise, choose an interior room or hallway on the lowest floor possible.
 - Have frequent tornado drills
 - If planning a trip outdoors, listen to the latest forecasts and take necessary action if threatening weather is possible.
- Get an emergency supply kit, and make a family emergency plan.

Who's Most at Risk

- People in automobiles.
- The elderly, very young and the physically or mentally impaired.
- People in mobile homes.
- People who may not understand the warning due to a language barrier.

What to Do If There Is a Tornado

- Take shelter immediately in the designated room.
- If you are outside, find shelter immediately or, if shelter is unavailable, lie flat in a ditch or low-lying area.
- If you are in a car, stop immediately and find shelter. Do NOT try to drive through a tornado.
- Stay tuned to radio or TV for information and instructions as they become available.
- Stay in shelter until the tornado has passed.
- Once you are in a safe place, report to your command if you are military or government civilian personnel or a member of the selective reserves.



ARMY STRONG

Prepare Strong For an Emergency

The Army encourages all personnel to maintain a basic level of preparedness for all potential hazards.



You are encouraged to get an emergency supply kit, make a family emergency plan and be informed about what might happen.

It is your responsibility to understand the mass warning system at your installation and, when notified, be prepared for the following:



- Evacuation
- Moving to civilian shelter
- Moving to designated safe haven
- Temporarily sheltering-in-place

To find a list of items needed for an emergency kit visit the following link:

http://www.acsim.army.mil/readyarmy/ra_readiness.htm#warning

Compensate Service Members for Wrongful Foreclosures

The settlement agreement with the nation's five largest servicers announced by Attorney General Eric Holder includes substantial financial compensation to homeowners who are Service members and establishes significant new protections for them.

Wells Fargo, Citigroup and Ally will be required to provide any Service member who was a victim of a wrongful foreclosure a minimum payment of \$116,785 plus lost equity and interest for violating the Service members Civil Relief Act (SCRA).

JP Morgan Chase will provide any Service member who was a victim of a wrongful foreclosure either his or her home free and clear of any debt or the cash equivalent of the full value of the home at the time of sale. Service members and their dependents who believe that their SCRA rights have been violated should contact the nearest Armed Forces Legal Assistance office at: <http://legalassistance.law.af.mil/content/locator.php>

Need a Day or Night Out ? Check out the Surrounding Area Events

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Presented by
Junction City High
School

When: March 15, 16 and 17th

Time: 7:00 pm

Where: CAC Settles Auditorium, Junction City
High School

For more information, please call 785-717-4214.



Order Tickets:

IN PERSON:

The McCain box office is open from
11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m

BY PHONE: 785-532-6428

"An Evening of Romance"

Jim Brickman

7:30 p.m., Sunday, March 11

America's romantic piano sensation.



34th Annual Aggieville St. Patrick's Day Celebration (Parade and Road Races!)

Event Date & Time: 3/17/2012 7:30 AM

Location: Aggieville, Manhattan, KS



"Continue your favorite annual tradition in Aggieville, wear your green, bring the little leprechauns, run for the finish line, and celebrate your Irish Heritage!" (Or somebody else's...)

We're on the big day (March 17th) this year, so let's go all out!

Theme: "End of the Rainbow"

Blarney Breakfast- 7:30am @ [Kite's](#) (Green eggs & ham!)

-hosted by [Manhattan Arts Center](#)

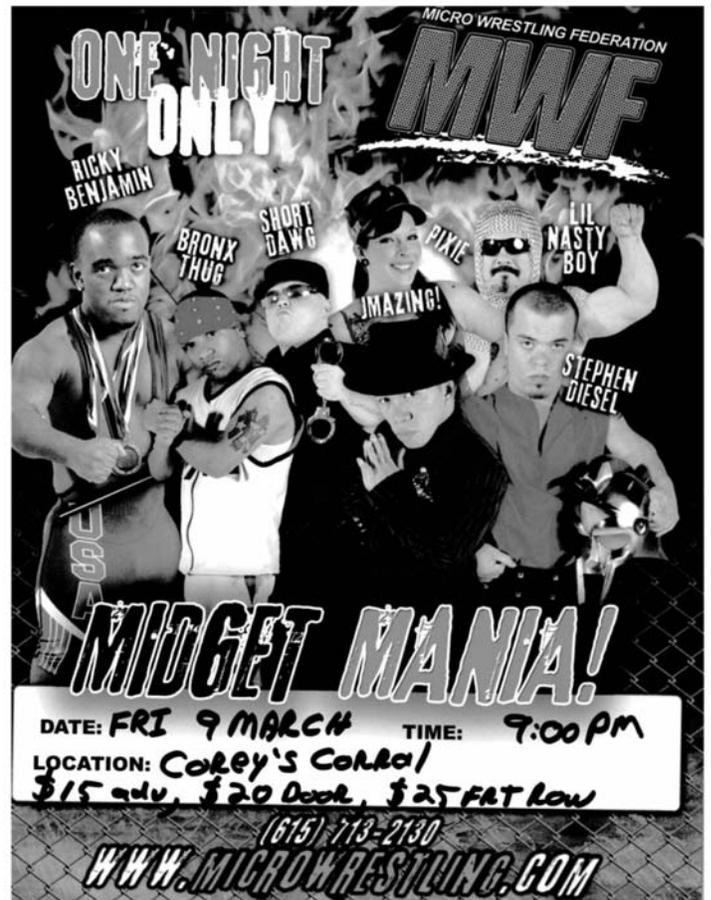
2 Mile Fun Walk/Run - 10am

10K Road Race - 10:45am

Race Awards Ceremony, Triangle Park – Noon

Parade line-up- Noon @ City Park

Parade- 1pm



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IACH Summer Safety Day

April 19, 2012 from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Located in front of IACH



Free and open to the public.
Lunch will be available for purchase.

Come join us for
interactive
events, games
and prizes!



FORT RILEY ENVIRONMENTAL DIVISION

COME JOIN US FOR THE 2nd ANNUAL, FORT RILEY'S HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION EVENT



Prizes and Gifts
Will Be Given
Away!!!!

When: 20 April 2012

Where: *Building 2210 (New Post Exchange) the Southeast end of the parking lot*
Time: 0800 - 1400

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

Household Products	Automotive Products	Lawn and Garden	Electronics
Soaps	Car Wax	Pesticides	Cell Phones
Toilet Cleaners	Grease & Rust Solvents	Ant/Roach Killer	Rechargeable Batteries
Disinfectants Cleaners	Transmission Fluid	Plant Food	Batteries of all Types
Bleach	Starter Fluid	Bug Sprays (OFF)	Mercury
Polishes	Anti-Freeze	Recyclables	Light Bulbs
Rug Cleaner	Armor-All	White Office Paper	Fluorescent Lights
Aerosol Cans	Car Tires (off the Rim)	Aluminum Cans	Light Cylinders
Moth Balls	Brake Fluid	News Paper	Fuels
Paints	Rust Solvents	Card Board	(Un-Used) MRE Heaters
Spray Paint	Air - Freshener	Steel Cans	Charcoal Lighter Fluid
Oil Based Paint	WD-40	Colored Paper	Propane Cylinders
Pales of Paint	Window Cleaner	Plastic Bottles	Cooking Fuel
Marking Paint	Soiled / Oily Towels	Plastic Milk Jugs	Camping Fuel

ITEMS THAT CAN NOT BE TAKEN

- Explosives
- Military Items
- Medical Waste
- Old Prescriptions
- Alcohol (Beverages)
- Fire Works
- Radioactive Material

Due to Federal Guidelines, We Cannot Collect From Contractors or Businesses

Questions may be addressed to Rick Doll at the Fort Riley Environmental Division, Pollution Prevention Branch - 239-6929, james.r.doll.civ@mail.mil



YOUTH JOB FAIR

March 9, 2-4:30pm



Attention all youth, ages 15 to 21!
Come and visit with employers and volunteer
organizations to gain the experience you need!

Forsyth NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER

22900 Hitching Post Road, Fort Riley

For more information please contact the Employment
Readiness Program at 785-239-9435



2011-2012 Fort Riley Combined Scholarship Applications Now Available

The Fort Riley Combined Scholarship Board will award scholarships to qualified military family member applicants who wish to further their education toward an undergraduate or vocational degree. Applicants must complete and sign the scholarship application forms that are attached to the back of the newsletter.

The application form and all required material should be mailed to the Fort Riley Combined Scholarship Board, P.O. Box 2082, Fort Riley, KS, 66442. Applications must be received or postmarked no later than 20 March 2012.

All applications must be mailed and postmarked by deadline. If you have any questions about this application or the scholarship, please call the FRCSB POC, Sarah Leonard, at 785-236-0235 or email questions to: fortrileyscholarship@gmail.com.

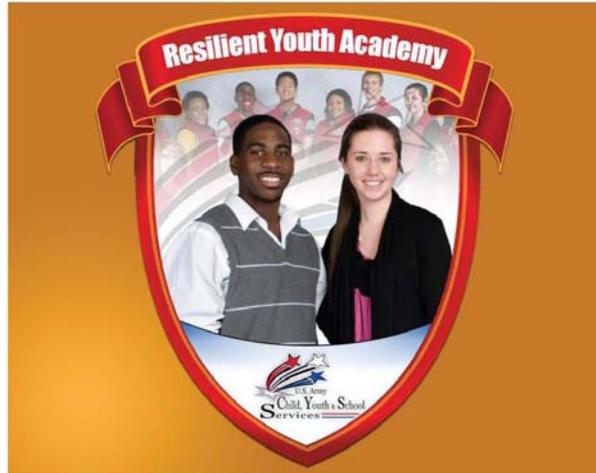
A Recognition Ceremony will be held at the end of April to honor scholarship recipients.



RYA Registration Form



~The Resilient Youth Academy is designed for **High School** aged youth to develop a network of informed teens that are better prepared and motivated to respond positively to adversity and successfully overcome the challenges faced by today's military family.



~The Resilient Youth Academy is designed to help youth minimize the negative impact of deployments within their family, thereby providing the capabilities to establish themselves as positive role models for others.

~Youth will be able to continue in their role as peer models and mentors within their communities regardless of military affiliation or location.

- *When: Friday, 9 March 2012**
9:00am – 3:00pm
- * Breakfast & Lunch provided**
- * Where: Building 7285, Resiliency Academy (next to Custer Hill pool)**
- *Service Learning Hours earned**

Youth Name: _____ Email: _____
(Last, First)

Age: _____ Birth date: _____ - _____ - _____ Home Phone: _____ - _____ Cell Phone: _____ - _____
(Month) (Day) (Year)

High School: _____

(Circle One) → Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior

Parents Name & Signature: _____
(Last, First) (Signature)

Point of Contact Information
Eric Childs (School Liaison Officer) (785) 239-1648
 eric.r.childs@us.army.mil

Discussion Topics: *Bullying & Peer Pressure Teen Communication "How to be a Friend (Suicide Prevention)."*
"Dating & Abuse do not go together." "Youth transitioning to a new norm." Employment & Finances

Spring Fling

SPRING BREAK POOL PARTY
MARCH 19 - 23

Join the Eyster Pool staff in celebrating Spring Break! Each day brings a different theme, filled with a variety of activities, games and prizes!

\$25 a Family for the entire week
\$10 a Family or \$5 a person per day

Week Schedule

Mon	Wild West Western
Tue	Camelot Celebration
Wed	Carnival Festivity
Thu	Eyster Stars
Fri	Freaky Friday Fun

Activities from 1-4pm each day, at Eyster Pool.

Sponsored By:

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For More Information, Call 785-239-4854.

CAPTURE YOUR OUTDOOR AND TRAVEL ADVENTURE TODAY!

GREAT ESCAPES EXPO

MARCH 31, 2012
 10AM-3PM

Riley's Conference Center
 Fort Riley, Kansas 66442

Dog Fun Run

March 24, 10am
 Start at Sacco, up to Moon Lake and back to Sacco (2miles)

Open to DOD cardholders, and/or DOD Family Members, Retirees and/or DOD Family.

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For more information, call 785-239-2813.
www.rileymwr.com

Picerne's Our Family for Families First Foundation Educational Grant

Our Family for Families First strives to support the educational goals of the spouses of our active duty Service Members. Persons eligible for the Educational Grant offered by Our Family for Families First include:



If you are the spouse of an active duty Service Member stationed at one of the following installations, Fort Meade, Fort Bragg, Fort Polk, Fort Rucker, **Fort Riley**, **Fort Sill**, Aberdeen Proving Ground, you are eligible to apply for the Educational Grant.

Applicants do NOT have to live in a Picerne Military Housing home to be eligible.

The Educational Grant:

- Students in any phase of education
- \$5,000 one-time award
- may attend community college, technical college or university



Applications can be found by visiting <http://ourfamilyforfamiliesfirst.org/index.php> . Deadline for applications is May 17th, 2012.

Running Technique Clinic



Do you want to learn to run more efficiently and with less strain on your back and knees? Do you need to run faster for your next APFT or race? Are your lungs on fire when you run uphill? Do your joints hurt when you run downhill? This 90 minute clinic will teach you how to position your body and foot strike to maximize your momentum and reduce your injuries. The clinics will be scheduled a few times a month at King Field House and Long Gym. There are only 4-5 minutes of running during the clinic for gait analysis so the clinic is fine for brand new runners. Clinics can also be scheduled for groups (unit PT, FRGs, etc) by contacting Angi. The clinic costs \$15 per person and includes instructional handouts. Please come dressed in running clothes to start the clinic indoors and then move outside for the gait analysis and uphill and downhill running section.

If possible, please sign-up and pay in advance with Vincent Spencer (Fitness Coordinator) upstairs in the Functional Fitness Area at King Field House. For questions, please contact Angi Buckley at angibuckley@yahoo.com .

Construction Begins again on K-18 Affecting 12th Street Gate

Beginning 19 Mar 12, from 0500 to 0700 hours, the Fort Riley Police Department will permit inbound only traffic at 12th Street Gate in order to facilitate a smoother flow of traffic onto the installation due to major road construction on K18. After exiting K18 at the North and Southbound exit ramps motorists will be divided into two lanes entering the access control point and continue down to Buffalo Soldier Drive. Traffic will then be routed North on Buffalo Soldier Drive to Huebner Road.



These measures will provide the installation an additional 1.2 miles of queuing capability on the installation and help facilitate traffic movement on to Fort Riley during peak morning travel times. Outbound traffic will still be permitted at Ogden Gate. Additionally, due to anticipated traffic pattern changes 12th Street Gate will become a 24 hour operational gate and Ogden Gate hours will be 0500-1900 hours Mon – Fri and closed federal holidays.

Walk Kansas 2012

An 8-week healthy lifestyle challenge!

March 18 - May 12



Walk Kansas
celebrate healthy living

Walk Kansas is a team-based program that will help you and others lead a healthier life by being more active, making better nutrition choices, and learning positive ways to deal with stress.

You can participate by gathering a team of 6 people, register the team in your local program, and start your journey toward a healthier life!

General information about Walk Kansas is available at:

www.walkkansas.org

For local program information, contact:

K-State Research and Extension - Ft. Riley
Resiliency Learning Center
7285 Normandy Dr. Room 9
Phone: 785-239-9991
Email: friley@ksu.edu



Kansas State University Agricultural Experiment Station and Cooperative Extension Service
K-State Research and Extension is an equal opportunity provider and employer. Funded in part by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, National Institute of Food and Agriculture, and United States Department of Agriculture-Cooperating, Clay Township, State Director.

FREE Child Care for FRG Meetings!!!

Fort Riley Child & Youth Services now provides free childcare for Family Readiness Group Meetings. This is open to all units on Fort Riley. Contact your FRG leader or Family Readiness Support Assistant (FRSA) to make your childcare reservation once CYS registration has been completed. CYS registration of your child or children is mandatory!



Location of childcare will be determined by the age of child/children; the sites of childcare are Warren Road Child Development Center, Bldg. 6950 and/or School Age Services, Bldg. 5810. Time of childcare offered is from 6:30pm to 8:30pm. Reservations for care will be taken up to three days prior to scheduled childcare opening!

Future dates of childcare are as follows:

March - 13th & 27th
April - 10th & 24th

For more information, please contact the Central Registration office at (785)239-9885 or stop by Bldg. 6620 Normandy Dr.

Ever wish you could compliment someone for doing a good job or wanted to make a complaint but didn't know where to go? Click on the following link and leave your ICE Comment and it goes to the appropriate personnel to take care of your concern.



http://ice.disa.mil/index.cfm?fa=site&site_id=17



Month of the Military Child Events



- 31 March MOMC and Child Abuse Prevention Proclamation, Pancake Breakfast & Fashion Show 0800 - 1200 at Forsyth East CDC (Bldg. 2420)
- 1 - 30 April Ft Riley Outdoor Kids
- 6 April "Hi Mom, Hi Dad" Video recordings/messages for deployed parents at School Age Services (Bldg 5810)
- 7 April Family Bowling "Eggstravaganza", 1100 - 1800 at the Bowling Center (Cost - \$25.00 per lane)
- 8 April Easter Brunch and Egg Hunt, 1000 - 1400 (Riley's Conference Center)
- 10 April "The Very Hungry Caterpillar" production by Great Plains Theater Abilene, 1800 at Barlow Theater. Tickets available at Leisure Travel Center.
- 14 April Teen Lock-In 1900-0800 next morning.
- 14 April 1300-1500, Preschool Flower Planting at Golf Course
- 14 April 2012 EFMP & NPSP Spring Fling 1000-1200 ACS, Bldg 7264.
- 15 April Family Bingo, 12:30- 1500 Rally Point

MONTH OF THE
MILITARY CHILD
HEROES FOR THE FUTURE



APRIL 2012

- 15 April Tell Me A Story, Parent to Parent 1600 Bldg 6620 RSVP by 5 April
- 18 April "Oh Baby, It's Your Day" Development Screening 1330- 1630 Bldg 6620
- 22 April MOMC Festival Forsyth & Forsyth East CDCs 1200-1500

** All CYSS facilities will have program specific activities throughout the month. See individual program directors or the MOMC magazine for details.

March

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 Garrison RDO - 4-4 CAV Uncasing Ceremony 9:00am HGR 727 - FR Network Meeting 10:30am - OSCE Casino Royale 6:00pm - PWOC Retreat	3 PWOC Retreat
4	5	6 - K State Career Fair Day	7 - Manhattan MRC Luncheon 11:30am -DHHB Casing Ceremony @ Cavalry Parade Field 3:30pm	8 - 84 EOD Casing Ceremony 10:00am USD 475 Parent Teacher Conferences	9 - Duke Memorial Dedication (Knox) 1:00pm	10 - Thumper and Break Up Adventure Race @ Milford Lake 1:45pm - Aggieville "Fake" St. Patty's Day Celebration
11 Daylight Savings Time Begins 	12	13 - Commissary Grand Opening 9:00am - 2-2 IN Change of Command (Knox) 9:00am -1-16 IN Change of Command/ Responsibility 10:30am - Her War Her Voice Support Group 6:00pm	14 - 6-4 CAV Change of Command (Knox) 9:00am - 701st BSB Assumption of Command 9:00am - 3-1 BSTB Change of Command (Knox) 1:00pm	15 - 201st BSB Change of Command (Knox) 9:00am - 1-6 FA Change of Command 1:00pm - Home Buying Training Seminar 1:00pm - Dr. Mary E. Walker Ceremony 3:00pm	16 - 3/1 IBCT CSM Retirement Ceremony 11:00am - ESC Mardi Gras Wine and Cheese Event 6:00pm - Catholic Confirmation Celebration 6:00pm	17 St Patrick's Day
18 - Family Bingo 2:00pm	19	20 - FR Scholarship Application Deadline	21 - Women's History Observance 11:45am	22 - JC/GC Breakfast 7:30am	23 Garrison RDO	24 - Dog Fun Run 10:00am
Division Training Holiday March 22-25						
Spring Break for USD 383/ 473/ 475						
25	26	27	28 -Monthly Retirement Ceremony 10:00am 	29 - Salina MAC Luncheon 11:30am - USO "No Dough" Dinner 5:00pm	30	31 - MOMC Pancake Breakfast 9:00am - Great Escapes Expo 10:00am

April

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1 April Fools Day</p> 	2	<p>3 - 1EN Change of Command 9:00am</p>	<p>4 - Manhattan MRC Luncheon 11:30am - Picerne Easter Egg Hunt 3:30pm</p>	<p>5 - Fort Riley Network meeting 10:30am</p>	<p>6</p> <p style="background-color: yellow; text-align: center;">Division Training Holiday April 6-9</p>	<p>7</p>
<p>8 Easter</p> <p>- Easter Brunch 10:00am and Easter Egg Hunt 12:00pm @ Riley's</p>  <p style="background-color: yellow; text-align: center;">Division Training Holiday April 6-9</p>	<p>9 - Youth Job Fair 2:00pm @Forsyth Neighborhood Cntr</p>	<p>10 - MOMC "The Very Hungry Caterpillar" @ Barlow Theater 6:00pm</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12 - USO "No Dough" Dinner 5:00pm</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14 - Manhattan Discovery Center Grand Opening - MOMC Teen Center "Lock-in" 8:00pm</p>
<p>15</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17 - Hiring Heroes Job Fair - Her War Her Voice Support Group 6:00pm</p>	<p>18 - Volunteer of the Year Ceremony 6:00 pm</p>	<p>19 - IACH Safety Day</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p>
<p>22 Earth Day</p> <p>- MOMC Festival (T)</p> 	<p>23</p>	<p>24 - Volunteer of the Quarter Ceremony 6:00pm</p>	<p>25 - Retirement Ceremony 9:00am - Professional's Lunch@ Riley's Conference Center 11:00am</p> 	<p>26</p>	<p>27 - Fort Riley Marina Opening (weather permitting)</p>	<p>28</p>
<p>29 - "The Sleeping Beauty" Festival Ballet @ McCain Auditorium 4:00pm</p>	<p>30</p>					

Send your events, news, contact information, etc., to:

Stacie Dumas
1st Inf. Div. FRSA Building
580, Room 333

All information needs to be received by February 26, 2012 for the next monthly newsletter.

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Fax: (785)239-0416

E-mail:
stacie.r.dumas.civ@mail.mil
or
stacie.dumas@us.army.mil

GOT NEWS!!!



On the Web!

1st Infantry Division & Fort Riley Homepage - www.riley.army.mil

Fort Riley MWR - www.rileymwr.com

Army vFRG - www.armyfrg.org

Fort Riley Religious Support - www.riley.army.mil

US Army Homepage - www.army.mil

MyPay - <https://mypay.dfas.mil>

Irwin Army Community Hospital - <http://iach.amedd.army.mil>

Ready Army - www.riley.army.mil/areainfo/readyarmy.aspx

Fort Riley MWR Twitter Page - <http://twitter.com/rileyfmwrbear>

1ID Facebook Page - <http://www.facebook.com/1stInfantryDivision>

Fort Riley Facebook Page - <http://www.facebook.com/FortRiley>

1ID Flickr Page - <http://www.flickr.com/photos/firstinfantrydivision/>



Did You Know?

- Texas declared its independence from Mexico, March 2, 1836.
- Missouri Compromise passed, March 3, 1820.
- The first Congress under the U.S. Constitution met March 4th, 1789. This date was used as Inauguration Day until 1937.
- British soldiers fired on a mob in the Boston Massacre, March 5, 1770.
- Santa Anna captured the Alamo, March 6, 1836.
- The Merrimack (then called the Virginia) fought the Monitor, March 9, 1862.
- First transatlantic radio broadcast, March 12, 1925.
- American Legion founded, March 15, 1919.
- United States Military Academy founded at West Point, N.Y., March 16, 1802.
- Patrick Henry, according to tradition, declared "Give me liberty, or give me death!" March 23, 1775.
- United States purchased Alaska from Russia, March 30, 1867.
- Amendment 15 to the U.S. Constitution, stating that a person cannot be denied the ballot because of race or color, proclaimed, March 30, 1870.
- Commodore Matthew C. Perry made the first treaty between the United States and Japan, March 31, 1854.
- Daylight Saving Time went into effect in the United States, March 31, 1918.
- United States took possession of the Virgin Islands by purchase from Denmark, March 31, 1917.



Juliette Low founded the Girl Scout movement in America, March 12, 1912.

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A. Applicant's Eligibility

1. The Fort Riley Combined Scholarship Board will award scholarships to qualified military family member applicants who wish to further their education toward an undergraduate or vocational degree.
2. Applicants must be a graduating high school senior, a currently enrolled college/vocational student, or a spouse pursuing a college/vocational degree (possessing a High School Diploma or GED).
3. Applicants must be a family member (child or spouse) of an active duty, retired, or deceased military member, of the greater Fort Riley Community. Qualified family members may also apply if the military sponsor has been re-assigned to another geographic location (i.e., Korea, etc.) and the remainder of the family has stayed in the greater Fort Riley Community.
4. Applicants must possess a valid DD Form 1173 (not 1173-1) Military Identification Card.

B. Conditions of the Scholarship Award

1. The scholarship is for undergraduate study only.
2. This is a merit based scholarship, financial hardship is NOT evaluated.
3. The scholarship will be applied to the first school year following the award.
4. The scholarship is awarded for the payment of tuition, books, and room and board.
5. The school the student is attending must submit written proof of enrollment before funds can be disbursed. The funds must be remitted to an accredited college, university, vocational, or technical school above the high school level, operated and approved by a state or federal authority.
6. Each applicant may only apply for one scholarship category each year. Additionally, each applicant may only receive one scholarship per scholarship category (high school senior, college student, or spouse) in their lifetime.
7. Applicants must compete in their primary category. The primary category is most often determined by the reason they have a military ID card and, therefore, eligible to compete. For instance, a high school senior who has a military ID card because she/he is a dependent child will compete in the high school senior category. However, a college student married to a soldier may compete in either the spouse category or the college student category, but not both. In such an instance it is the applicant's responsibility to select which category to apply for.
8. The CSB reserves the right to deny any application where there is evidence of fraud or abuse.

C. Procedure for Submitting Applications

1. Applicants must complete and sign the scholarship application forms. Applicants must follow the instructions on pages 1 through 8 especially as they apply to the different scholarship categories (High School Senior, College Student, Spouse).
2. The submitted application must include:
 - a. Pages 1- 7 of the application.
 - b. Transcripts.
 - c. 375-400 word essay.
 - d. A letter from the high school counselor stating the student's name, class ranking, cumulative GPA, and ACT or SAT score (ACT scores are preferred). (This letter is required for high school seniors only- college students and spouses will not submit this letter).
3. Submit these forms in the order listed above. Do not staple any of these forms.
4. High school students will be evaluated solely on their high school level performance. High school seniors will **not** enter information about events which occurred prior to the start of high school.
5. College/vocational school students will be evaluated solely on their college level performance. College/vocational school students will **not** enter any data or provide any information about events which occurred **prior to** the start of their college/vocational school training nor will they provide ACT or SAT scores or class rankings.
6. Spouses will provide all required academic performance information starting when they entered high school until the present day. Spouses will provide information about extracurricular activities, awards, and volunteer experience and work experience that has occurred within the last 3 years.
7. Official copies of transcripts are not required, however the copies provided must be clear, legible and written in English. High school seniors will provide a copy of all their high school transcripts. College students will provide copies of all their college transcripts (**not** copies of high school transcripts). Spouses will provide copies of all college transcripts.
8. High school seniors are required to provide a letter from their high school counselor stating the student's name, class ranking cumulative GPA, and ACT or SAT scores (**ACT SCORES ARE PREFERRED**). This letter will be submitted in its' original form (copies are not accepted). College students & spouses will **not** submit this letter. See pg. 8 for additional information.

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9. The essay will be typed, contained on one page and be between 375 and 400 words. All applicants must submit an essay. Please address the following question in 375-400 words: **What are the responsibilities of an educated person?** Essays will **not** contain any information that could identify the applicant (names, addresses, ranks, units, etc.).
10. Letters of recommendation are not required and will not be considered.
11. No personal identification (name, signature, etc.) will be placed on pages 5, 6 and 7 of the neither application nor will they appear on the essay.
12. Per paragraph C.3., required forms and documentation must be submitted in the correct order and will not be stapled
13. The application form and all required material should be mailed to the *Fort Riley Combined Scholarship Board, P.O. Box 2082, Fort Riley, KS, 66442*. Applications must be received or postmarked **no later than 20 March 2012**. All applications must be mailed and postmarked.
14. Failure to follow application instructions, including submitting an incomplete application, may result in immediate disqualification.

D. Selection of Scholarship Recipients

1. Applications will be assigned a number, with names, (and all identifying information), of the applicants remaining anonymous to the Judging Committee members. The first 4 pages of the application will be removed for the judging process and all information will be treated in a confidential manner.
2. Academics, extracurricular activities, leadership, community volunteerism and employment will be considered in evaluating applicants.
3. In late April, each applicant will be notified by mail of the FRCSB's decision. A Recognition Ceremony will be held at the end of April to honor scholarship recipients.
4. If you have any questions about this application or the scholarship, please call the FRCSB POC, Jean Anderson, at 785-209-5470 or email questions to: fortrileyscholarship@gmail.com.

E. Fort Riley-K-State Partnership Scholarship Program. High school senior applicants, interested in attending Kansas State University and competing for Partnership Scholarships, may do so by filling out & signing as indicated on page 4 of this application. Parental/legal guardian signatures are also required. This program provides additional, partial scholarships which are funded solely by K-State for attendance at K-State. Choosing to compete does not preclude competing for a FRCSB scholarship. No fees are involved in this process. No additional forms are required. The FRCSB will provide K-State with the applicant's academic information for the purposes of determining scholarship eligibility. The FRCSB will notify all applicants about the final status of their consideration for a Fort Riley-K-State Partnership Scholarship. Competition is based on the same criteria as the FRCSB scholarships. Winners are chosen by K-State. Scholarships are awarded at the April FRCSB Scholarship Ceremony.

I have read and understand the procedures for submitting an application to the Fort Riley Combined Scholarship Committee.

Applicant's Signature: _____

Parent's Signature: _____

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Name: _____

Home Mailing Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Telephone #: (Home) _____
(Mobile) _____

Sponsor's Name & Rank: _____

Sponsor's Duty Station and/or Permanent Address:

Sponsor's Social Security #: _____

Check Sponsor's Category: _____
_____ *Active Duty*
_____ *Retired*
_____ *Deceased*

Check Applicant's Category: _____ *Graduating HS Senior* _____ *Currently Enrolled College Student*
_____ *College* _____ *College*
_____ *Vocational/Tech* _____ *Vocational/Tech*
_____ *Spouse*
_____ *College*
_____ *Vocational/Tech*

Have you been awarded a Fort Riley Combined Scholarship before? No _____ Yes _____ if yes, which category _____

You may only apply for one category each year. You are limited to receive one scholarship per category in your lifetime. For example, if you received a FRCSB Scholarship last year as a currently enrolled college student and you are now a spouse, you may apply for a scholarship in the spouse category. You may not apply in the currently enrolled college student category.

Applicant's Signature: _____

Parent's Signature: _____

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I certify that the information in this application is accurate to the best of my knowledge, and that my accompanying essay is entirely of my own effort. If I accept a Fort Riley Combined Scholarship, I agree to abide by all "Conditions of the Scholarship Award" set by the Scholarship Board as stated on the previous pages. Should I not fulfill these requirements, I agree to return all awarded monies to the Fort Riley Combined Scholarship Fund.

Applicant's Signature: _____

Parent's Signature: _____

Military Sponsor's unit: _____

Military Sponsor's unit address: _____

Sponsor's Phone (Rear Det. where applicable): _____

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I (print name) _____ wish to participate in the Fort Riley-K-State Partnership Scholarship Program. I understand this in no way impacts my participation in the FRCSB Scholarship Program and that no additional fees or forms are required. I understand that Partnership Scholarships are intended for use at K-State only and that I am in no way required to accept a Partnership Scholarship. I understand that by signing below I am granting permission for the FRCSB to share the information contained in my scholarship application with the K-State Partnership and that it will be used solely for the determination of scholarship eligibility.

Applicant Signature: _____

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature: _____

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1. High school seniors:

Name of High School: _____ Date of Graduation: _____

Class Rank _____ Cumulative GPA _____ SAT/ACT Score _____

2. College students:

Cumulative (college level) GPA: _____

3. Spouses:

High School Cumulative GPA _____ College Cumulative GPA _____

4. High School Seniors: list all high schools attended in chronological order. College Students: list all colleges/vocational schools attended in chronological order. Spouses: list all high schools and colleges attended in chronological order.

<i>School</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Dates</i>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

5. List schools to which you have applied or plan to apply. Indicate if already accepted. (Not required for applicants already enrolled in college)

6. What will be or is your major field of study?

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8. List honors and awards. (List, but do not send, certificates of appreciation, volunteer awards, student activities awards, other school, volunteer, employment and appreciation awards that you may have received.) Attach extra sheets as needed. High school seniors will not list any items that occurred prior to the start of high school. College students will not list any items that occurred prior to the start of college/vocational school. Spouses will provide information about events that have occurred within the last 3 years.

9. List job experience and any volunteer positions. (Include FRGs, the Red Cross, Thrift Shop, HASFR, church activities, etc.). Attach extra sheets as needed. High school seniors will not list any items that occurred prior to the start of high school. College students will not list any items that occurred prior to the start of college/vocational school. Spouses will provide information about events that have occurred within the last 3 years.

<i>Job Title or Volunteer Position</i>	<i>Organization</i>	<i>Dates</i>

This application must be postmarked NLT 20 March 2012. Mail the application forms and all required information to:
Fort Riley Combined Scholarship Board, P.O. Box 2082, Fort Riley, KS 66442

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**THE HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELOR LETTER MUST
BE WRITTEN ON THE HIGH SCHOOL'S OFFICIAL LETTERHEAD**

- 1. THIS LETTER IS REQUIRED FOR ALL HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS.**
- 2. COLLEGE STUDENTS AND SPOUSES WILL NOT SUBMIT THIS LETTER.**
- 3. THE LETTER WILL STATE THE STUDENT'S NAME, CLASS RANKING, CUMULATIVE GPA, ACT OR SAT SCORE (ACT SCORES ARE PREFERRED).**
- 4. THIS LETTER WILL NOT BE MAILED SEPARATELY, IT WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE APPLICANT'S SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION.**
- 5. THIS LETTER WILL BE ADDRESSED TO THE FRCSB AND IT WILL BE SIGNED BY THE HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELOR.**
- 6. THIS LETTER MUST BE SUBMITTED IN ITS' ORIGINAL FORM, COPIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

COUNSELOR'S SIGNATURE AND SIGNATURE BLOCK