

September 2025



# ACS CONNECTION

## OUR PROGRAMS

### 1501 William C. Lee Road:

Information and Referral Program  
270-798-9322  
Family Advocacy Program  
270-412-5500  
Exceptional Family Member Program  
270-798-2727  
Relocation Readiness Program  
270-798-6313  
Army Family Team Building  
270-798-4800  
Mobilization, Deployment, & Stability  
Support Operations  
270-798-3849/412-3195

### 5662 Screaming Eagle Blvd:

Information & Referral Program  
270-956-2935  
Financial Readiness Program  
270-798-5518  
Army Emergency Relief  
270-798-5518  
Employment Readiness Program  
270-412-1720  
ACS Volunteer Program  
270-956-2934  
Army Family Action Plan  
270-956-2934  
Army Volunteer Corps  
270-956-2934  
Outreach Program  
270-798-2062/412-6771

### 2433 Indiana Ave:

Soldier and Family Assistance Center  
270-412-6004

5001 Screaming Eagle Drive: Survivor  
Outreach Services  
270-798-0272



## ACS QUICK SCOOPS

**ACS CLOSED - September 1 - Labor Day**

### Money on Your Mind? Let's Talk!

Contact Financial Readiness to schedule an appointment 270-798-5518

### Be the Change, Volunteer Today!

Contact ACS Volunteer Coordinator at  
270-956-2934

### Fall Job Fair - September 17

ACS 1501 William C. Lee Road-10am-2pm  
For more information call 270-412-1720

### Family Fun Night - September 19

Board Game Night - 6pm-8pm  
Taylor Youth Center

### Military Family Life Counselors (MFLC)

Available at Army Community Service  
Mon, Wed, Thur, & Fri - 8am-4pm  
Tues-9am-4pm

**First Day of Fall - September 22**

## CONTACT US!



1501 William C. Lee Road



270-798-9322/956-2935



Mon, Wed, Thur & Fri-7:30am-4pm  
Tue 9am-4pm





# 2nd Quarter Volunteer Nominees

*By: Kristen Geist-Hodgkins, Army Volunteer Corps Coordinator*

Join us in congratulating and thanking our Fort Campbell 2nd Quarter Volunteer Nominees!

To our Volunteers — you've set an example of leadership, generosity, and commitment that inspires us all. You've made a lasting impact, and we are better because of you.

Last month we celebrated some of the very best among us—those who have gone above and beyond in their dedication to our Soldiers, Families, and the entire military community. Their selflessness, compassion, and unwavering commitment make a profound impact on Fort Campbell every single day.



L-R; CSM Walker, CW2 Schetrompf, Justin Rentmeester, Kasandra Williams, Anna Kellar, Victoria Weir, Kennedi Weir, Vanessa Espinosa, Daniela Carmichael, Sarah Alitz, Addyson Jurecki, Toni Chambers & mini Chambers, MG Gardner

If you have questions about volunteering, please contact the Army Volunteer Coordinator, Kristen Geist-Hodgkins @270-956-2934 or email: [kristen.r.geist-hodgkins.civ@army.mil](mailto:kristen.r.geist-hodgkins.civ@army.mil)

**DOES YOUR ORGANIZATION NEED**

## VOLUNTEERS

Army Volunteer Corps (AVC) can help connect you with volunteers who are ready to make a difference in your organization and throughout the community.

**Get Connected**

- Access motivated, reliable volunteers
- Boost your reach in the community
- Support volunteers with meaningful roles
- Save time and resources



**Connect With Us Today**

270-956-2934 5662 Screaming Eagle Blvd. Fort Campbell, KY 42223

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## TURN YOUR TIME INTO EXPERIENCE

**BUILD CAREER SKILLS THROUGH VOLUNTEERING**

Real Skills	Real Impact
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Project Management</li><li>• Communication</li><li>• Problem Solving</li><li>• Time Management</li><li>• Teamwork</li><li>• Administration</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Support Your Community</li><li>• Grow Your Network</li><li>• Fill Critical Service Gaps</li><li>• Boost Confidence</li><li>• Build a Stronger Resume</li><li>• Be part of a Greater Purpose</li></ul>

Turn your time into valuable experience. Call, stop by or send us a message to learn how you can contribute, grow your skills, and make a real difference!

 **Army Volunteer Corps**  
5662 Screaming Eagle Blvd.  
Fort Campbell, KY 42223  
Hours: 7:30 am - 4:00 pm  
270-956-2934

<https://campbell.armymwr.com/programs/avc>  
<https://mwr.armyfamilywellbeing.com>  
[fcampbelldprograms@army.mil](mailto:fcampbelldprograms@army.mil)



# Gold Star Mother's and Family's Day

*By: Gari Wild, Survivor Outreach Services Support Coordinator*

Gold Star Mother's and Family's Day is observed on the last Sunday in September. This National Day of Remembrance acknowledges the sacrifice, loss, and resilience of Gold Star Family Members while also honoring the memory of their fallen heroes who have made the ultimate sacrifice in service of their country.

Gold Star Mother's and Family's Day traces its origins back to World War I, when Families displayed blue stars on banners representing their loved ones who were fighting overseas. Upon receiving notification of their service member's death, the blue star would be replaced with a gold star. In 1936, Congress officially recognized the last day in September as Gold Star Mother's Day. Later, it expanded to include Gold Star Mothers and Families.

Gold Star Mother's and Family's Day continues to unite communities to honor the fallen and support their families. It is a time for remembrance and gratitude, acknowledging the ongoing strength and resiliency of the families. Gold Star Mothers and Families will be honored during the Gold Star Mother's and Family's Day Memory Share Ceremony at Fort Campbell on Friday, September 26th. The ceremony will be held at 2:00pm at the Fort Campbell Gold Star Families Memorial Monument. For specific inquiries about this event, please contact Survivor Outreach Services at 270-798-0272.





# Company Commander & First Sergeant Spouse Course

*By: Kristen Geist-Hodgkins, Army Family Team Building*

The Company Commander & First Sergeant Spouse Course is just one of the many support resources offered through the Army Family Team Building (AFTB) Program at Fort Campbell. This course is specifically designed to prepare and empower the spouses of newly appointed company commanders and First Sergeants as they transition into their new leadership adjacent roles.

Army Family Team Building is a comprehensive training program provided by Army Community Service. Its mission is to help military families become resilient, self-sufficient, and confident members of the Army community. AFTB offers progressive training that covers military knowledge, personal growth, leadership development, and practical life skills—all within the context of Army culture. The Company Commander and First Sergeant Spouse Course focuses on providing foundational knowledge to help build a strong, supportive partnership between leadership and families. It covers responsibilities, expectations, and potential challenges spouses may face, equipping them to support their Soldiers and units effectively.

Topics covered in the course include protocol, the appropriate use of social media, mentoring, customs, courtesies, and military traditions. Attendees will learn essential skills such as effective communication, problem solving, and volunteer management—all critical components for building and supporting strong, successful Soldier and Family Readiness Groups (SFRGs). Additionally, spouses will become familiar with local resources, enabling them to provide informed support and appropriate referrals. The course helps clarify roles expectations, empowering spouses to engage authentically and sustainability within their unit's family support network. This course is a valuable opportunity for spouses to develop practical skills, ease the transition into leadership support roles, and gain tools that will benefit them across all areas of life.

The Company Commander and First Sergeant Spouse Course is built on the powerful principle that successful leadership in the Army extends beyond commanders and noncommissioned officers—it's a team effort that includes and values families. By educating, empowering, and supporting spouses, this course plays a vital role in strengthening the foundations of unit leadership. Through AFTB, family readiness is enhanced and the broader Army community is reinforced, directly contributing to mission success at the ground level.

For more information and or to register for this course you can call 270-798-4800/956-2934 Email: [ftcampbellaftb@army.mil](mailto:ftcampbellaftb@army.mil) or scan QR code listed below.





# September Classes/Workshops

**Tuesday, 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 September - 10:30am-12pm - 3411 Bastogne Ave**

**New Parent Support Program-Developmental Play Mornings:** A fun interactive, and supportive play group to help children ages 0-3 years learn through activities and play and parents are able to learn and network.

**Wednesday, 3 September - 9am-10:30am - ACS 1501 William C. Lee Road**

**Monday, 22 September - 5pm-6:30pm - Teleconference**

**Care Team Training:** A Care Team is a group of 2-3 trained volunteers providing support to the Family of a deceased Soldier immediately following Official Death Notification.

**Thursday, 4 September - 9am-11am - Teleconference**

**Wednesday, 24 September - 1pm-3pm - ACS 1501 William C. Lee Road**

**Command Team Training:** Delineates the roles and responsibilities of the Command Team regarding how to leverage the SFRG to execute the Family Readiness Program Mission.

**Thursday, 4 September - 9:30am-11:30am - ACS 1501 William C. Lee Road**

**Family Life Class-Keeping Your Cool When Things Get Heated:** Learn basics of anger and the skills that will enable you to effectively manage your anger. Reduce conflict and recognize that your thoughts determine your anger, control your thinking, and maintain composure and perspective when dealing with anger.

**Tuesday, 9 September - 9am-11am - ACS 1501 William C. Lee Road**

**Tuesday, 30 September - 5pm-7pm - Teleconference**

**Informal Fund Custodian Training:** Instructs how to keep track of SFRG funds, how to use them, and the rules of fundraising.

**Tuesday, 9 & 23 September - 12pm-12:30pm - ACS 1501 William C. Lee Road or Teleconference**

**CONUS to CONUS Smooth Move Orientation:** Provides information on the PCS process, procedures and entitlements for a STATE to STATE move.

**Tuesday, 9 September - 1pm-2:30pm - MS Teams**

**Tuesday, 23 September - 10am-11:30am - ACS 5662 Screaming Eagle Blvd**

**VMIS Organization Point of Contact (OPOC) Training:** Class provides instruction on the Volunteer Management Information System (VMIS) for organization points of contact.

**Tuesday, 9 & 30 September - 1pm-3pm - ACS 5662 Screaming Eagle Blvd**

**Federal Resume Workshops:** Learn tips and the best practices for conducting Federal Employment by utilizing USAJOBS.

**Wednesday, 10 September - 9am-11am - ACS 5662 Screaming Eagle Blvd**

**Mastering Resume Essentials:** Designed to guide in the resume writing process. Trained facilitators will provide guidance and teach you to evaluate your resume and job application techniques.

**Wednesday, 10 September - 9am-1:30pm - ACS 1501 William C. Lee Road**

**Command Family Readiness Representative (CFRR):** Course designed to assist with the operational, logistical and administrative aspects of the SFRG for the commander's direct representative to the SFRG.

**Wednesday, 10 September - 10am-12pm - ACS 1501 William C. Lee Road**

**Army Family Team Building Level L:** Leadership styles, meeting management, team dynamics, coaching, mentoring, virtual meetings tips and techniques.

**Registration is required for all classes/workshops. Questions contact ACS 270-798-9322.**

# September Classes/Workshops

**Wednesday, 10 September - 1pm-3pm - ACS 5662 Screaming Eagle Blvd**

**Interview Skills Workshops:** Provides tips and techniques for those hard to answer interview questions.

**Thursday, 11 September - 12pm-1pm - ACS 5662 Screaming Eagle Blvd**

**MYCAA, SECO, and MSEP:** The My Career Advancement Account Scholarship is a workforce development program that provides up to \$4,000 in financial assistance to eligible military spouses for the pursuit of a license, certification or associate degree or for continuing education courses to maintain a license or certification necessary for employment.

**Monday, 15 September - 9am-1:30pm - ACS 1501 William C. Lee Road**

**Soldier Family Readiness Group Assistant:** Course covers rules and regulations, methods of communication, management of volunteers and how to guide unit Families through SFRG.

**Monday, 15 September - 11am-12pm - ACS 5662 Screaming Eagle Blvd**

**How To Prepare For A Job Fair:** The purpose of this workshop is to provide insight to job seekers on what to bring for a job fair, how to dress for it, and the do's and don'ts to be successful at networking in a job fair.

**Monday, 15-17 September - 9am-3pm - ACS 1501 William C. Lee Road**

**Instructor Training Course:** Basic skills to become an effective instructor. Build a foundation of quality presentation skills.

**Tuesday, 16 September - 1pm-2pm - ACS 5662 Screaming Eagle Blvd**

**Wednesday, 24 September - 10am-11am - MS Teams**

**Volunteer Management Information System (VMIS) User Training:** Class provides instruction on the Volunteer Management Information System (VMIS) for volunteers to help navigate the online system, apply for positions and log hours.

**Wednesday, 17 September - 9am-10:30am - ACS 1501 William C. Lee Road**

**Monday, 29 September - 5pm-6:30pm - Teleconference**

**Key Contact Training:** Teaches the skills needed to keep all Family members informed of facts throughout each phase of the deployment cycle.

**Wednesday, 17 September - 9am-11:30am - ACS 1501 William C. Lee Road**

**Baby Basics Workshop:** Exploring the 4th trimester and what to do after bringing your baby home.

**Thursday, 18 September - 9:30am-11am - ACS 1501 William C. Lee Road**

**Thursday, 18 September - 6pm-7:30pm - Virtual**

**Family Life Class-Connect Thru Communication:** Come join us for a fun, casual class and learn ways to enhance your relationship and strengthen your connection. We will have an open and honest discussion about communication during conflict, values and beliefs in communication.

**Friday, 19 September - 9am-1:30pm - ACS 1501 William C. Lee Road**

**Company Commander & ISG Spouse Course:** Designed to prepare Senior NCO and Command Spouses to become more informed and proactive members of the Command Team and discuss roles and responsibilities needed to strengthen and support Soldiers and Families.

**Wednesday, 24 September - 12pm-1pm - ACS 5662 Screaming Eagle Blvd**

**Lunch & Learn Military Spouse Preference:** Learn about the Military Spouse Preference that can be utilized on USAJOBS. Lunch will be provided.

**Thursday, 25 September - 5pm-7pm - ACS 1501 William C. Lee Road**

**I Married A Soldier, Now What?:** Provides a networking opportunity for meeting other Army Spouses, learning about useful resources and having fun.

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