

May 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

Army Emergency Relief Campaign March 1 - June 14, 2025

Childcare Business Entrepreneurship Info Session May 7 - 9am-1pm - 5662 Screaming Eagle Blvd

ACS Military Spouse Appreciation Day May 9 - 10:30am-1:30pm - 1501 William C. Lee Rd Registration required call 270-956-2934 for more information

Happy Mother's Day - May 11

Volunteer of the Quarter Ceremony May 14 - 1:30pm-2:30pm - DIV Atrium

<u>Family Fun Night</u> May 30 - 6pm-8pm - Taylor Youth Center

ACS Outreach Commissary - May 6 Main Exchange - May 15 BACH - May 21

ACS CLOSED May 26 - in observance of Memorial Day

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

### Homebase Childcare Business Opportunity

By: Christina Comer, Employment Readiness Program Specialist



What a wonderful time to consider starting your own business.

Families are seeking full-time and/or hourly care for children aged six weeks to five years old. As Fort Campbell's childcare wait-list continues to grow, the call to open a homebase childcare seems to be getting louder.

Homebase Childcare is the perfect opportunity to not only be your own boss but to provide a flexible schedule that works for you and the families you would serve. Flexibility may come in different ways: Full Time, Part time or Hourly care. Starting a homebase childcare means balancing the joy of watching children grow with the excitement of running a business. When it boils down to it, it's really about relationships not only with the children, but also with the parents and the rest of the families.

Soldiers and Families can be assured that their children are learning age-appropriate skills in a safe environment; and Soldiers can focus on their mission. Providing childcare contributes to readiness for Army Families.



#### What are the Potential Benefits of Starting a Childcare Business?

- Be your own Boss
- Opportunity for Self -employment and earn income while remaining at home with your child
- Satisfaction of contributing to early childhood development

The benefits are always great to hear. To learn more about the financial cost and resources available come join us on May 7th with the Employment Readiness Program located at 5662 Screaming Eagle Blvd. Employment Readiness Program hosts an information session for military spouses and other family members, retirees, and veterans to hear from the subject matter experts: Family Child Care, Tennessee Department of Human Services and Kentucky Division of Regulated Childcare. They will educate us with the current childcare start up information and the funding opportunities which exist.



So, if you're considering entering the world of childcare entrepreneurship, know this: it's not just a business — it's a calling. It's about making a difference in the lives of children and their families, all while running an operation with creativity and care. For more information, give us a call at 270-412-1720.

Click on the QR code to join us



### **Military Spouse Appreciation Day**

By: Kristen Geist-Hodgkins, Army Volunteer Coordinator

Happy Military Spouse Appreciation Day to all the military spouses.

While it has been 41 years since Military Spouse Appreciation Day was initiated by President Ronald Reagan, it has been since the early days of the Continental Army that military spouses have selflessly contributed to the spirit and well-being of our servicemembers and to the general welfare of their military communities. Military Spouses have made countless personal sacrifices, from enduring long periods of separation and leaving familiar surroundings and friends, to forgoing personal and professional aspirations.

Military spouses have been the unsung heroes of history, providing strength, resilience, and steadfast loyalty and support to service members since the earliest days of the American military, with their contributions extending far beyond the home - many have taken on leadership roles, volunteered within their communities, and advocated for military families.

From the long separations to managing household responsibilities and supporting fellow military families, their sacrifices deserve recognition and appreciation. Military Spouse Appreciation Day is a small but important way to honor their dedication and commitment.

The Friday before Mother's Day has been designated as Military Spouse Appreciation Day. This year that special day of observance is May 9, 2025. A day of significance because it recognizes the sacrifices, resilience, and unwavering support that military spouses provide to their loved ones in uniform. While service members face the challenges of deployment, relocation, and duty, their spouses serve in their own way—holding families together, navigating frequent moves, and providing emotional strength during times of uncertainty.

- **Honors their sacrifices**—many military spouses put their own careers, ambitions, and stability on hold to support their families.
- Acknowledges emotional resilience—dealing with long separations and the challenges of military life requires strength and adaptability.
- Fosters appreciation & support—by recognizing their efforts, communities can uplift and provide resources for military spouses.
- Strengthens military families—appreciation strengthens the bond between service members and their spouses, reinforcing the vital role family plays in their well-being.

ACS is excited to once again offer our own Military Spouse Appreciation Day on 9 May 2025, 10:30am-1:30pm, at 1501 William C. Lee Road. We, along with several sponsors and partners, look forward to not only celebrating our Fort Campbell Military Spouses, but also bringing attention to their dedication and service and let them know they are valued!!

## Upcoming Classes/Workshops

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May 1	Thur	Soldier & Family Newcomers Orientation (1501 William C. Lee Read, Every Thu) 8:30am-1:30pm (RRP)
		Informal Fund Custodian Training (1501 William C. Lee Road) 9am-11am (MD & SSO)
May 6	Tue	Family Life Class: Building Your Self Awareness (1501 William C. Lee Road) 9:30am 11:30am (FAP)
	Tuc	VMIS User Training (MS Teams) 10am-11am (AVC)
		New Parent Support Play Mornings (3411 Bastogne Ave) 10:30am-12pm (NP\$P)
May 7	Wed	Key Contact Training (1501 William C. Lee Road) 9am-10:30am (MD & SSO)
		Childcare Business Entrepreneurship (5662 Screaming Eagle Blvd) 9am-1pm (ERP)
		AFTB Level L; Leadership (1501 William C. Lee Road) 10am-12pm (AFTB)
		OCONUS Smooth Move Orientation (Levy Brief @ SSC, Every Wed) 12pm-12 30pm-ACS (RRP) Soldier & Family Newcomers Orientation (1501 William C. Lee Road, Every Thu) 8:30am-1:30pm (RRP)
May 8		Family Life Class: Child Summer Safety (1501 William C. Lee Road) 9:30am-11:30am (FAP)
	Thur	MYCAA, SECO, and MSEP (5662 Screaming Eagle Blvd) 12pm-2pm (ERP)
		Family Life Class: Child Summer Safety (Virtual) 6pm-8pm (FAP)
May 12	Mon	Command Team Training (1501 William C. Lee Road) 9am-11am (MD & SSO)
		SFRG Assistant Training (1501 William C. Lee Road) 9am-1:30pm (MD & SSO)
May 13		VMIS Organization Point of Contact (OPOC) Training (5662 Screaming Eagle Blvd) 9:30am-11am (AVC)
		New Parent Support Play Mornings (3411 Bastogne Ave) 10:30am-12pm (NPSP)
	Tue	Exceptional Family Member Program Support Group 11am-12pm (EFMP)
		CONUS to CONUS Smooth Move Orientation (Teleconference, Every 2nd & 4th Tuesday) 12pm-12:30pm (RRP)
May 14		Federal_Resume Workshop (5662 Screaming Eagle Blvd) 1pm-3pm (ERP) Care Team Training (1501 William C. Lee Road) 9am-10:30am (MD & SSO)
		Mastering Resume Essentials (5662 Screaming Eagle Blvd) 9am-11am (ERP)
	Wed	OCONUS Smooth Move Orientation (Levy Brief @ SSC, Every Wed) 12pm-12:30pm-ACS (RRP)
		Interview Skills Workshop (5662 Screaming Eagle Blvd) 1pm-3pm (ERP)
May 15	Thur	Soldier & Family Newcomers Orientation (1501 William C. Lee Road, Every Thu) 8:30am-1:30pm (RRP)
		Family Life Class: Keeping Your Cool When Things Get Heated (1501 William C. Lee Road) 9:30am-11:30am (FAP)
		I Married a SoldierNow What? (1501 William C. Lee Road) 5pm-7pm (AFTB)
May 19	Mon	Key Contact Training (Teleconference) 5pm-6:30pm (MD & SSO)
May 20		CFRR Training (1501 William C. Lee Road) 9am-1:30pm (MD & SSO)
		Briefer Training Course (1501 William C. Lee Road, Day 1) 9am-3pm (AVC)
		New Parent Support Play Mornings (3411 Bastogne Ave) 10:30am-12pm (NPSP) Federal Resume Workshop (5662 Screaming Eagle Blvd) 1pm-3pm (ERP)
		Expectant Parent Workshop (1501 William C. Lee Road) 9am-11:30am (FAP)
May 21		Briefer Training Course (1501 William C. Lee Road, Day 2) 9am-3pm (AVC)
		OCONUS Smooth Move Orientation (Levy Brief @ SSC, Every Wed) 12pm-12:30pm-ACS (RRP)
		Lunch & Learn Military Spouse Preference (5662 Screaming Eagle Blvd) 12pm-1pm (ERP)
		VMIS User Training (5662 Screaming Eagle Blvd) 1pm-2pm (AVC)
		Command Team Training (Teleconference) 5pm-7pm (MD & SSO)
May 22	Thur	Soldier & Family Newcomers Orientation (1501 William C. Lee Road, Every Thu) 8:30am-1:30pm (RRP)
		VMIS Organization Point of Contact (OPOC) Training (MS Teams) 9:30am-11am (AVC)
May 27		New Parent Support Play Mornings (3411 Bastogne Ave) 10:30am-12pm (NPSP)
		CONUS to CONUS Smooth Move Orientation (Teleconference, Every 2nd & 4th Tuesday) 12pm-12:30pm (RRP)
May 28	Wed	OCONUS Smooth Move Orientation (Levy Brief @ SSC, Every Wed) 12pm-12:30pm-ACS (RRP)
		Care Team Training (Teleconference) 1pm-2:30pm (MD & SSO)
May 29	Thur	Soldier & Family Newcomers Orientation (1501 William C. Lee Road, Every Thu) 8:30am-1:30pm (RRP) Informal Fund Custodian Training (Teleconference) 5pm-7pm (MD & SSO)
May 30	Fri	Family Fun Night (Bldg 80 Texas Ave) 6pm-8pm (FAP)
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#### Registration is required for all classes/workshops For additional information contact ACS 270-798-9322

# **Events Around ACS**



**Installation Volunteer of the Year Winners!** 





ACS FAP provided a morning of Family Bowling to promote child abuse awareness and prevention.

ACS FAP provided arts and crafts activity for monthly Family Fun Night focusing on important role Mothers play in Family.





