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Child & Youth Program



August 2012 Newsletter



Free School Supplies

Operation Homefront has donated Dollar Tree school supplies for military families. These FREE school supplies can be picked up at the Family Assistance Centers in Fargo, Bismarck, Minot, Grand Forks, and Devil's Lake starting August 6th. There are plenty of pens, pencils, glue, notebooks, folders, rulers, calculators, and more. Stop in today and get your free supplies. For more information call 1-800-242-4940.

With school starting soon, how are you going to help your child with homework this year? How about getting a free tutor anytime you want and you don't even have to leave you home? It's true and it starts at www.tutor.com/military. Get homework and studying help from a professional tutor any time you need it. FREE to students in Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, National Guard and Reserve families. Expert tutors are online 24/7 and available to help in more than 16 subjects, including test prep, proofreading, Math, Science, English and Social Studies.



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Operation: Military Kids Retreats

OPERATION: MILITARY KIDS
MILITARY FAMILIES IN OUR OWN BACKYARD.

North Dakota OPERATION: Military Kids

Speak Out for Military Kids (SOMK)

Teen Retreat

Who: Youth in grades 7-12
Where: Jamestown College campus
When: 6 p.m. Friday, **Aug. 3**, to noon Sunday, **Aug. 5**
Registration: \$15
Register by July 27 at: www.ndsu.edu/4h/programs_events/omk
More information: Contact Diane Hahn at diane.f.hahn@ndsu.edu or 701-231-9601

Make new **friends** and, using technology, tap into creative skills to develop a **video production** to tell the story of how military kids and their families are impacted by deployment. Enjoy a **fun-filled weekend**, team-building activities, water fun and more!

Individuals with disabilities are invited to request reasonable accommodations to participate in NDSU-sponsored programs and events. To request an accommodation(s), please contact Diane Hahn at (701) 231-9601 by July 31 to make arrangements.

Operation: Military Kids is a partnership of Army Child, Youth and School Services, National 4-H Headquarters/USDA, and North Dakota State University Extension, Center for 4-H Youth Development. Operation: Military Kids - North Dakota is supported by the 4-H/Army Youth Development Project under Kansas State University special project number 2007-48851-03868.

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North Dakota
**OPERATION:
Military Kids**



Military Family Retreat

Who: Active Duty and Reserve families of any military branch with youth age 6 and older

Where: Cooperstown Bible Camp

When: 4 p.m. Friday, **Aug. 10**, to 1 p.m. Sunday, **Aug. 12**

Registration: \$10 per family (includes meals and lodging)

Discover the strengths of your family unit while team building, spending time outdoors and participating in zip line, equine-assisted learning activities and campfires, as well as enjoying good-quality time together as a family.

Register by Aug. 2 at:
www.ndsu.edu/4h/programs_events/omk

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Youth Council Meetings



Youth Council Meetings are starting in September.

Starting in September, we will be going through a curriculum called "Money Matters" with our Youth Council. We will discuss things like how to balance a checkbook, creating a budget, and other financial skills. If your youth, ages 12 and older, would like to be a member of our Youth Council, please follow this link to the registration form. We will send an e-mail when the first meeting starts in the fall.

<http://www.ndguard.ngb.army.mil/family/support/youth/Pages/YouthCouncil.aspx>

Bismarck Mandan Parent Pal

If you are a parent in Bismarck-Mandan who wants quick links to our local opportunities, services, and events for your children and family ... *This website is for you.*

www.BisManParentPal.com

A free website for area parents that provides quick links to local opportunities and services for children and families, such as:

- birthday party options
- where kids can eat free
- arts & sports activities
- parenting resources & support
- ideas for things to do
- *coming soon: discount list for military families!*



Free Adult Date Night

Saturday, September 22

6:00 pm - 10:00 pm

**Childcare Provided
FREE**

The Fargo Regional Family Readiness group is providing a free date night for the area Service Members at the Fargo Armed Forces Reserve Center.

Register using this link:

<https://www.jointservicesupport.org/Events/EventRegistrationRequest.aspx?Mode=AddNew&Id=317dcb1e-255c-4acd-9b86-9914edee3708>



Save the Date!

The Military Child Education Coalition's Professional Development Institutes coming soon to your area!

You are invited to the Living in the New Normal Institute: Helping Children Thrive Through Good and Challenging Times . The Military Child Education Coalition is a nonprofit organization addressing the educational needs of military-connected families. The LINN is a two-day institute outlining specific community resources, deployment information, and practical strategies for encouraging resilience in all children.

Living in the New Normal Institute: Helping Children Thrive in Good and Challenging Times

Date: September 20-21, 2012

Registration and Breakfast: 8:00 am—8:30 am

Institute Training: 8:30 am—4:00 pm

Place:

Holiday Inn
3803 13th Avenue South
Fargo, ND 58103

95% attendance is required to receive
Institute credit and course materials

No cost to participants. Funded by OSD/DA

For more information about this institute,
please contact Myriam Virella at 254-953-1923 x 1119 or myriam.virella@MilitaryChild.org.
Please visit www.MilitaryChild.org click the [Training](#) tab to register.

Log on to MilitaryChild.org to register!

Participants will have the opportunity to earn educational credits in the form 1.2 CEU's for \$25.00 and/or 1 hour of graduate credit from Texas A&M— Central Texas for \$175.00, payable at the completion of the training.

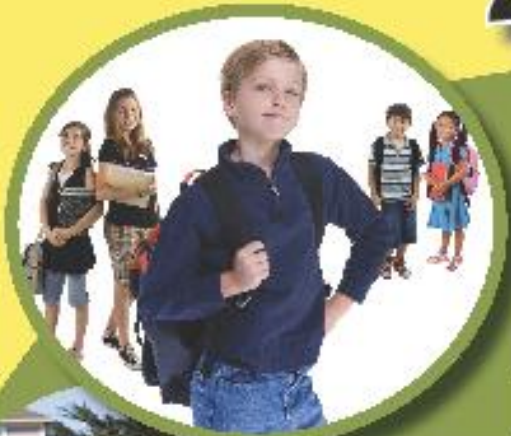
The Military Child Education Coalition is accredited through IACET and NBCC , along with many other state professional development agencies



Great Events at the Grand Forks Air Force Base and open to all military families.

Education Fair

2 August, 2012



Representatives from local school districts, community educational agencies and colleges will be there!



Northern Lights Club
10:00am - 3:00pm
for
kindergarten - college!



Sponsored by
The Education Center
and
The School
Liaison Office



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**Exceptional Family
Member Program
Funfest
GIVEAWAYS
GAMES & FOOD**



15 August, 2012

1630-1930

Liberty Square Picnic Pavilion

**Sponsored by the Following
Air Force Exceptional Family Members Program
GFAFB First Sergeant's Council
Air Force Aid Society**





Come Join Us!

Military Service Center Open House

Bismarck, ND

Who: All Service Members,
Veterans & Families.

Where: 1850 E. Bismarck
Expressway

When: Aug. 16th 8am-5pm

More Info: 701-333-4800

Please join us to learn more about the programs and services that are available to you as a military family. FREE credit reports will be available, a TRICARE representative and the Mobile Vet Center will be on-site, plus FREE school supplies for military children! Hope to see you there!

Child & Youth Program Mission

Promote and sustain the quality of life and resilience of National Guard children and youth by providing secure, timely, flexible, high-quality support services and enrichment programs.

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