

## School Age Center (SAC) & Part Day Pre-School, FAQs

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### **What are the different clubs/activities at SAC?**

SAC provides multiple options for children to participate in clubs, programming and environments. The SAC Before and After School program provides programming based on the five service areas for Academic Career Development: The Art, Character and Leadership Development, Sports, Fitness and Recreation and Health, Wellness and Life Skills. Several programming experiences are offered to children while in care. SAC offers club activities 5 days a week. The clubs currently being offered to children in care are The Art Factory, STEAM Club, Power Hour Homework Club, Smart Girls, Astrology Club and Functional Fitness. West Point SAC offers several different environments like the Tech Center, the Art Area, the Game Room, the Discovery Zone, the Gymnasium, and the Dramatic Play room. The facility ensures a free flowing program where children can move about the center to each environment as they please to fulfil their experience while at the School Age Center.

### **Why do I need a permission slip for SAC to pick up my child from school (the SAC On Post Bus Trip Permission Slip)?**

Before/after school on post bus permission slips are a requirement for both the SAC program and West Point Schools. This documentation gives the school permission to release SAC children to SAC staff and board our bus. This procedure ensures the utmost safety for each child.

### **Can I sign my child up for SAC before & after school care if I live off post?**

Yes. All DoD Civilian and Military personnel are welcome to enroll their children in the SAC Program. However, the only schools that have transportation provided to and from SAC are West Point Elementary School and West Point Middle School.

### **Can my child bring their own food while in care during camp days, school out days and half days?**

West Point SAC is required to prepare meals within IMCOM's food guidelines while children are in care. Unfortunately, children are not permitted to bring outside food for meals while in care. However, the SAC meals are home made by our in house cook to provide a nutritional and balanced meal for breakfast, lunch and snack.

### **What is the policy for SAC school out days for before/after school/hourly care?**

Both before and after school care and hourly care must have completed their registration with Parent and Outreach Services to include an updated SAC contract. For children enrolled in before and after school care, school out days and half days are already incorporated into all fees assessed with using our care. Fees for Families using hourly care on school out days and half days are: under 4 hours = \$30.00, over 4 hours = \$50.00.

### **When can my Kindergartener start care?**

Care for all children enrolled in the SAC program begins the first day of school. Should kindergarten start a few days behind 1st through 5th grades, SAC will provide school out day care for kindergarteners beginning the first day of West Point Elementary School (grades 1st through 5th). This will allow the kindergarteners to begin getting acclimated to the new environments during their transition to school.

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### **What does Part Day Pre-School entail? Who can attend?**

Part Day Preschool is designed to positively promote the four areas of child development, social/emotional physical cognitive and language, through exploration, experience and fun. The Program is designed for families that only need part time care and would like their children to be enrolled in a child care setting outside of the home. This care allows social and emotional development for children while with other children of the same age range. Care is afforded in accordance with the DoD Priority System.

The Part Day Preschool (PDPS) program offers care for ages 3 through 5. PDPS offers care for 2 and 3 day participation options throughout the academic year. The PDPS is facilitated from 9:30am-12:30pm September through June.