



Dear Military/Department of Defense Family,

This letter is to inform you about an upcoming fee policy change for School Year (SY) 2023-2024 that will affect how fee assistance is calculated for families who are enrolled in the Department of the Air Force, Marine Corps, and NGA Military Child Care in Your Neighborhood (MCCYN) fee assistance programs.

The SY 2023-2024 Child and Youth Fee Policy reduces the number of fee categories from 14 to 11, modifies each Total Family Income (TFI) range, increases the highest TFI category to \$160,001+, and increases the monthly provider rate cap used for fee assistance calculations from \$1,700 to \$1,800. Your current approval will be adjusted reflecting the sponsor rate based on your new TFI category effective 1 January 2024. If your current provider fee exceeds \$1,800 an adjustment will be made to the fee assistance amount you receive effective 1 January 2024.

In addition, the SY 2023-2024 Child and Youth Fee Policy implements a pilot program that allows for a reduction of the parent fee of full time, full day care if your community childcare provider does not provide meals or if the cost of meals is a separate fee above your normal provider rate. More information to follow in separate correspondence.

Please ensure that your child care provider is aware of this information, as it relates to a potential modification to your child care tuition responsibilities. If you would like to view the new FY24 Department of Defense parent fees, total family income categories, and provider rate caps to be used for the MCCYN child care fee assistance program, please visit <http://usa.childcareaware.org/fee-assistancerespite/>, select the applicable Military or DoD family link, and then navigate to the "How Is Fee Assistance Calculated" section on your branch of service/agency's fee assistance page.

Thank you for your understanding and your service to our country.

Sincerely,

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