

Navy Youth Sponsorship

Mission

The mission of the Navy Youth Sponsorship Program is to alleviate educational disruptions by empowering all youth through a stream of continuous support to provide stability, leadership skills, sustain academic learning, provide a connection between school and peers and to produce competent citizens.

Vision

The Navy Youth Sponsorship Program envisions a collaboration between today's youth, mentors and educators in which a community is developed to assist today's military child with the challenges associated with the military lifestyle, through outreach support prior to transition, then continuous support upon the child's integration to the new location, which will produce positive quality citizens with leadership skills and stability capable to transition into adulthood.



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Helping you make an
easy transition to
the area.

What is Youth Sponsorship?

The Navy Youth Sponsorship Program is designed for children in grades three through twelve.

A youth sponsor can provide you with information about school, shopping, culture or maybe become a new friend! Youth sponsorship is coordinated through Child and Youth Programs and will match sponsors to new youths according to gender, age/grade, interests, hobbies and school attending.



The youth Sponsorship Program consists of three major components:

OUTREACH

Identifying incoming youth and providing them with information and opportunities before they arrive.

NEWCOMER ORIENTATION

Providing information and materials on programs and services available on the installation and in the surrounding community.

PEER TO PEER

Connecting youths currently attached to the installation with incoming youths.

Why is Youth Sponsorship Important?

Military families experience frequent relocations. The transition to a new community and school can be challenging. Youth may be uncomfortable meeting new peers and may be unaware of opportunities to become involved with their new school or community.

The Navy Youth Sponsorship Program provides access to positive peer groups and social activities which help Navy children feel connected and comfortable at their new duty station.

The Youth Sponsorship Program provides the transitioning youth an opportunity to connect with their peer prior to their arrival to ease anxiety and stress related to the challenges faced by the transitioning youth, thus providing a reliable support.



Why Request a Youth Sponsor?

Moving to a completely new location is sometimes scary, exciting, depressing, or even traumatic; but no matter what your child feels it is always new and always different. It helps when you have someone that can show you around and tell you about your new school and the community, places to see and shop, and introduce you to new friends with similar interests. Having a Navy Youth Sponsor when you relocate can help your transition to a new place to be much smoother.



Why Become a Youth Sponsor?

Being a Youth Sponsor is a great way to meet new people and help others. You get to share your knowledge and experiences with an incoming peer to help them adjust and adapt to their new location. As a Youth Sponsor you are a role-model; providing friendship, a warm welcome and pertinent information. Youth Sponsorship is a great way to further your leadership skills and volunteer for your community.