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US ARMY INSTALLATION MANAGEMENT COMMAND
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Dear Army Fee Assistance Parents,

This notice is to inform you that on 1 January 2024, the Army will implement the School Year (SY) 2023-2024 Army Child and Youth Fee Policy as required by the SY 2023-2024 Department of Defense (DoD) Child Development Program Fee Policy.

Each year, DoD Child Development Fee Policy prescribes uniform fee regulations for military child development programs based on family income (Title 10 U.S.C. 1793). Pursuant to Department of Defense Instruction 6060.02, Child Development Programs, the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Manpower and Reserve Affairs annually reviews and issues a childcare fee policy based on Total Family Income (TFI).

IAW Executive Order 14095, "Increasing Access to high quality care in supporting caregivers", which directs DoD to improve the affordability of child care on military installations, SY 2023-2024, child care fees are adjusted to make fees more equitable and more affordable for families with the greatest economic need by reducing the percentages of income that lower income families devote to their child care needs.

The SY 2023-2024 Child and Youth Fee Policy reduces the number of TFI fee categories from 14 to 11, modifies the TFI ranges, increases the highest TFI category to \$160,001+, and increases the provider rate cap used for fee assistance calculations from \$1,700 to \$1,800.

Your current approval will be adjusted reflecting the sponsor rate for your new TFI category effective 1 January 2024. If your current provider rate exceeds \$1,700 an adjustment will be made to the fee assistance amount received effective 01 January 2024.

In addition, the Army Fee Assistance Program is implementing a program that allows for a reduction of the parent fee if the cost of food is not included in your provider rate. More information about this program will be shared with you in the new year.

Please contact Child Care Aware of America if you have any questions or to address any issues or concerns.

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