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The Kaiserslautern Military Community and Baumholder Military Community School Liaison Offices are dedicated to assisting community partners in providing military families the best possible education for all students. The School Liaison Offices serve to connect schools, families and community services to address issues impacting the education of military children. The School Liaison Office believes that education is a parental choice; we neither encourage, nor discourage, Department of Defense sponsors from pursuing alternative education services or programs.

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Child and Youth Services (CYS) offers programs for children of all ages, whether it be full day care, part day preschool, before and after school care, sports programs or youth programs. CYS is staffed with early childhood and youth development professionals who are committed to providing quality programs while maintaining the highest standards. All CYS programs are certified by the Department of Defense. Child Development Centers are accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC). School Age Centers are accredited by the Council on Accreditation.

To get started for programs in the Child Development Centers, Before and After School programs or Family Child Care, please visit <u>MilitaryChildCare</u> (https://www.militarychildcare.com/) to be placed on the waiting list. When space is available, you will be contacted.

Kleber Child Development Center

BLDG 3224 DSN: 541-9035 CIV: 0611-143-541-9035

Landstuhl Child Development Center 1

BLDG 93802 DSN: 486-7350 CIV: 06371-86-7350

Landstuhl Child Development Center 2

BLDG 3812 DSN: 486-6566 CIV: 06371-86-6566

Miesau Child Development Center

BLDG 1314 DSN: 541-9124 CIV: 0611-143-541-9124

Ramstein Child Development Centers

BLDG 799 Infants DSN: 480-6011 CIV: 06371-47-6011

(6 weeks-12 months)

BLDG 832 Toddlers DSN: 480-5237 CIV: 06371-47-5237

BLDG 862 Preschoolers DSN: 480-9276 CIV: 06371-47-9276

Sembach Child Development Center

BLDG 83 DSN: 541-9099 CIV: 0611-143-541-9099

Smith Child Development Center

BLDG 8099 DSN: 531-2936 CIV: 0611-143-531-2936

Vogelweh Child Development Centers

BLDG 1030 Infants and Pre-Toddlers DSN: 489-7419 CIV: 0631-536-7419

(ages 6 weeks-24 months)

BLDG 1029 Toddlers & Preschoolers DSN: 489-6372 CIV: 0631-536-6372

(ages 24 months-5 yrs)

Wetzel Child Development Center

BLDG 8862 (relocating to Clinic DSN: 531-3415 CIV: 0611-143-531-3415

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School Age Centers offer services before and after school. On school out days, the centers are open all day. During the summer, camp weeks are provided. To sign up for these programs, please visit MiltaryChildCare (https://www.militarychildcare.com/) to be placed on the waiting list. The School Age Centers serve children in Kindergarten through grade 5.

Kapaun School Age Center BLDG 2785	DSN: 489-6028	CIV: 0631-536-6028
Landstuhl School Age Center BLDG 3851	DSN: 486-7281	CIV: 06371-86-7281
Ramstein School Age Center BLDG 1003	DSN: 480-3272	CIV: 06371-47-3272
Sembach School Age Center BLDG 66	DSN: 541-9305	CIV: 0611-143-541-9305
Vogelweh School Age Center BLDG 1028	DSN: 489-6362	CIV: 0631-536-6362
Wetzel School Age Center BLDG 8879	DSN: 531-3418	CIV: 0611-143-531-3418

Family Child Care

The Family Child Care Program strives to help meet the needs of the community by maintaining high quality child care. A Family Child Care provider is a licensed individual who cares for child in his/her home on/off base. FCC providers go through the same training as CYS employees.

There are two Family Child Care offices in this community:

Baumholder		
Wetzel BLDG 8876	DSN: 531-3440	CIV: 0611-143-531-3440
Ramstein (for the KMC)	DSN: 478-7420	CIV: 06371-405-7420
Ramstein BLDG 849		

Youth/Teen Centers are free CYS designated programs geared to accommodate youth who are in grades 6-12. CYS programs utilize partnerships with 4-H Clubs and Boys and Girls Clubs of America.

Landstuhl Youth Center	DSN: 486-8658	CIV: 06371-85-8658
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Grades 6-12

BLDG 93812

Ramstein Teen Center DSN: 480-6444 CIV: 06371-47-6444

BLDG 428

Vogelweh Teen Center DSN: 489-6504 CIV: 0631-536-6504

BLDG 1057

Vogelweh Teen Center

DSN: 489-6155 CIV: 0631-536-6155

Wetzel Youth Center Grades 6-12

BLDG 8875

DSN: 531-3423 CIV: 0611-143-531-3423

Youth Sports Programs

Youth Sports Programs offer individual and team sports, and fitness and health programs.

Landstuhl Youth Sports	DSN: 486-8375	CIV: 06371-86-8375

BLDG 3819

Ramstein Youth Sports DSN: 480-5660 CIV: 06371-47-5660

BLDG 428

Wetzel Youth Sports DSN: 531-2939 CIV: 0611-143-531-2939

BLDG. 8876

SKIES/Instructional Classes

Classes offer a variety of cultural, physical and artistic activities for youth. Programs are available for toddlers through teens. Please contact the offices below to see what programs are offered in your area.

USAG-RP CYS SKIES DSN: 486-5412 CIV: 06371-86-5412

Ramstein Instructional

Offices BLDG 428 DSN: 480-6444/2851 CIV: 06371-47-6444/2851

PARENT CENTRAL SERVICES

For any questions regarding any CYS program, please contact either Parent Central Services for Army programs or Ramstein Community Child Care Coordinator for Air Force Programs.

Army programs are located on Baumholder (Smith and Wetzel), Landstuhl, Miesau, Kleber, Rhine Ordnance Barracks, and Sembach. Air Force programs are located on Ramstein and Vogelweh.

Parent Central Services Rhine Ordnance Barracks

BLDG 162

DSN: 541-9066/9065/9067

CIV: 0611-143-541-9066/9065/9067

Kaiserslautern Army MWR kaiserslautern.armymwr.com

Parent Central Services Wetzel (Bamholder)

BLDG 8876

DSN: 531-3440

CIV: 0611-143-531-3440 Baumholder Army MWR

baumholder.armymwr.com

Ramstein Community Child Care Coordinator

BLDG 849

DSN: 478- 7420

CIV: 06371-405-7420

86th FSS 86fss.com

Youth Sponsorship

The Youth Sponsorship program is available at all Army installations. The purpose of the sponsorship program is to alleviate stress associated with transitions. This program gives youth the opportunity to assist their peers by providing school and community information.

Students who are interested in being sponsors, receive training. When incoming youth request a sponsor, they are paired up with another youth who has similar interests. The two youth staying in touch until the new youth arrive.

This program is a win-win situation for both students as it is rewarding for the youth sponsor and the new youth has an acquaintance prior to arrive.

If your youth is interested in having a youth sponsor, prior to arriving in the Kaiserslautern or Baumholder Military Communities, please email the **School Liaison (USAGRPSLO@army.mil)**.

DoDEA School Information

There are 12 DoDEA schools between the Baumholder and Kaiserslautern Military Communities. The schools are listed below.

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Baumholder Middle High School (grades 6-12)	0611-143-545-1200
Kaiserslautern Elementary School (UPK-grade 5)	0611-143-545-1400
Kaiserslautern Middle School (grades 6-8)	0611-143-545-1325
Kaiserslautern High School (grades 9-12)	0611-143-545-1425
Landstuhl Elementary School (UPK -grade 5)	0611-143-545-1700
Ramstein Elementary School (grades K-2)	06371-47-3996
Ramstein Intermediate School (grades 3-5)	06371-47-6023
Ramstein Middle School (grades 6-8)	06371-47-7104
Ramstein High School (grades 9-12)	06371-47-6951
Sembach Elementary School (UPK - grade 5)	0611-143-545-1100
Smith Elementary School (UPK- grade 5)	0611-143-545-1225
Vogelweh Elementary School (UPK-grade 5)	0611-143-545-1475

Where a family lives determines where children will attend school. The Feeder Zone listing can be obtained from the Housing Office, Student Transportation Office or the School Liaison Office. Please refer to pages 10-12 of this document for the Feeder zone listings.

The following documents are required to enroll students in DoDEA:

- * Sponsor's Orders
- * Proof of residence or Temporary Lodging address
- * Immunization records
- * Proof of age for Kindergarten
- * Previous school records

To register, please visit <u>Aspen: Log On (myfollett.com)</u> https://dodeasis.myfollett.com/aspen/logon.do to pre-register online. To complete the registration process, please contact the school registrar.

School Meal Program

AAFES administers the Student Meal Program for the schools in Kaiserslautern and Baumholder. Parents can open a student lunch account by visiting www.linqconnect.com. At this link, families can apply for the Free and Reduced Meal program. Eligibility is based on total household size and income. Families must include Base Pay, BAS and any other income contributed to he household. Families must apply annually as USDA guidelines change.

Bright Eyes Program

The Kaiserslautern Landstuhl Spouses Association and the Baumholder Spouses Association provides a program called Bright Eyes. The program is for children of active duty families. If your child wears glasses, your family can receive a voucher for glasses, however, you must qualify for the meal program.

Please contact the KLSA at <u>KMC Bright Eyes</u> (brighteyes.klsa@gmail.com in the KMC and for Baumholder, reach out to <u>Baumholder Bright Eyes</u> (brighteyesbcsc@gmail.com)

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Sure Start-DoDEA Schools

The Sure Start program is committed to providing the highest quality preschool education for eligible children of families living at military installations overseas. Children must be 4 years old by Sept 1st at the beginning of the school year. Priority will be given to students whose sponsor is equivalent to E-1 to E-4 or GS 1 to GS-04. Other stipulations apply; please contact the school below, or the School Liaison Offices for more information.

Ramstein Elementary School DSN: 480-3996 CIV: 06371-47-3996

Homeschooling in Germany

DoDEA Home School Support

DoDEA schools will provide and offer home schooled DoD dependents classes and/or special education services, Library usage, JROTC, testing and extracurricular programs, consistent with existing regulations and policy.

Dependents of sponsors electing to take a single class or more must complete a registration form and comply with registry procedures and requirements. For further information contact your local DoD Education Activity School office. (DoDEA AI 1375.01. April 10, 2018)

Baumholder Homeschoolers

This group can be found on Facebook as **Baumholder Homeschoolers**. They set up field trips, play dates and support each other by sharing ideas.

Kaiserslautern Homeschoolers

This group can be found on Facebook as KMC Homeschoolers. They plan field trips, co-ops, book clubs, etc.

United Homeschoolers of Germany

UHSG is a volunteer lead inclusive support group for homeschooling families in the Kaiserslautern/Ramstein area. The members are comprised of homeschooling families living temporarily in Germany. They encourage diversity and welcome all regardless of race, religion, or homeschool style. Together, they provide a network of support where homeschooling families can share ideas, organize field trips or enrichment classes, connect with local organizations, provide information about living in Germany, and help families new to homeschooling. Because of the unique and often transient nature of this community, UHSG strives to offer a welcoming and safe place for parents as well as children. Email:

United Homeschoolers (unitedhomeschoolersofgermany@gmail.com)

Facebook: UnitedHomeschoolersofGermay

GERMAN SCHOOL INFORMATION

In general, to enroll, for Elementary School (Grundschule grades 1-4), you will need to visit the school which serves the area you live. Administrators can request a basic knowledge of the German language, however it is not mandatory. Admission will have to be discussed with the administration of the school, who usually requests approval from the German Authorities.

Just like in the US, your residence determines where your child will go to school. Before starting school, the children will need to be screened by a German doctor at the Health Department correlating to the school they are zoned for.

Elementary Schools in Germany service grades 1-4. After 4th grade, the German school system splits, based on your child's academic abilities. For more information, please talk to your village's elementary school or Rathaus (City Hall).

German schools often start around 0800, but let out earlier in the afternoon. Elementary schools usually end between 1215 and 1315. Students are required to bring a snack/bag lunch to eat during recess around 1000. In general, there is no option to purchase food or drinks at the schools and there are no water foundations.

Keep in mind, the German School System may follow different recess schedules. They will have to attend school on several US Holidays (Veterans Day, Thanksgiving, etc), but will be out on German Holidays.

The German Public school system is free of charge, with the exception of required books and materials, which need to be purchased by the parents. Some schools may offer for students to rent books for a reasonable fee.

Students stay in a "Klassenverband" all through Elementary School, meaning they remain with the same classmates for the entire four years of Elementary School. They often keep the same homeroom teacher throughout the entire time as well, but will still be taught by other teachers in classes like PE or Music, for example.

Check out these links for more information:

<u>German Way</u> (www.german-way.com/history-and-culture/education/) <u>How To Germany - International Schools in Germany</u> (howtogermany.com/pages/internalschools.html)

** For more information on the German school system, please visit the Rathaus (City Hall) in your village.**

German Kindergarten Information

German Kindergartens serve children ages 2-6 and are varied in their policies. Priority for spaces are for citizens of the EU in many of the kindergartens. Some programs having waiting lists, so please take that into consideration when looking for care. If spaces are available, they will

probably accept your child right away. Some kindergartens do not allow families with SOFA status in their programs, due to spaces are for families who pay German taxes.

There is no single listing of kindergartens as almost every village has one. Some are run by the church and others through the local city government. As you decide on potential locations to live, you can begin to inquire about the local kindergartens. Please check directly with your Rathaus or Verbandsgemeindeverwaltung ("City Hall") for your village to check if there are any spots available at your local German Kindergarten.

There are Waldkindergartens, "Forest Kindergartens" in some villages. Children are primarily outdoors.

Once you know where you will live, it will be much easier to define what your choices are especially with regard to German Kindergartens.

International Schools

Some families choose for their children to attend an International School. The following International Schools are some which have been attended by American children.

International School of Neustadt an der Weinstrasse GmbH Co-educational, full-day

Cambridge International School

Grades: PreK-12

Starting age: 4, early entrance possible 3.5yr olds

Address: Maximilianstraße 43, 67433 Neustadt a. d. Weinstraße

Phone: +49 (0) 6321 890 09 60 Email: info@is-neustadt.de Caution-www.is-neustadt.de

International School Westpfalz

Starting age: 4 (Early years), ending in year 12 Nikolaus-von-Weis Strasse

10 66849 Landstuhl Phone: 06371-980-930

PreschoolOptionsonthe Economy

St. David's Primary School

This school aims to educate the whole person. Pupils will be encouraged to develop lively and enquiring minds, a sense of self-esteem and the self-discipline that comes from working in an orderly school environment. Education is subject to tuition payment, please contact the school for more information. Grades: PreK-6

Schulstrasse 4 66877 Ramstein-Miesenbach +49(0)6371-42717

Email: stdavids.office@modschools.org

Faith Baptist Elementary and Middle School

This is a Christian oriented institution, offering a variety of secular and Christian curriculum taught based on the Truth from the Word of god for grades 4K-8. 4K students must by 4 by September 1st and Kindergarten students must by 5 years old by September 1st of the enrolling school year. The school is approximately 10 minutes from Ramstein. For further details, please contact the school: Lichtenbrucher Str 17

67661 Kaiserslautern-Einsiedlerhof

+49(0)631-3187519

Email: school @faithbaptistchurch.de

SCHOOL ZONE INFORMATION

Baumholder Military Community

School bus transportation will be provided from the villages listed below, to/from Baumholder Middle/High School and to/from Smith Elementary School. Villages and towns not specifically identified in the list below are considered outside the commuting zone.

Abentheuer Niederhambach-Boeschweiler

Achtelsbach Niederhambach-Burbach Baumholder Niederhambach-Heupweiler

Birkenfeld Oberbrombach

Brueken (Birkenfeld)

Berschweiler

Bledesbach

Oberkirchen

Patersbach

Pfeffelbach

Dienstweiler Rammelsbach Ehweiler Rathsweiler Eitzweiler Reichweiler

Erdesbach Reitscheid Fohren-Linden Rohrbach

Freisen Rueckweiler Frauenberg Reichenbach Hammerstein Ruschberg Heimbach Ruthweiler

Hoppstaedten Schwarzerden Idar-Oberstein Selchenbach Thallichtenberg

Konken Thallichtenberg
Kusel Ulmet

Mettweiler Weiersbach

Niederalben Weiersbac

Kaiserslautern Military Community

Please take note:

**Students living in the Landstuhl, Sembach and Vogelweh School Zones, who are in grades 6-8 will attend Kaiserslautern Middle School and students in grades 9-12 will attend Kaiserslautern High School. **

Kaiserslautern School Zone

Breitenau Morlautern Dansenberg Niederkirchen Engelshof Olsbrücken Erzenhausen Obsersulzbach Erzhütten Pfeiffermuhle Espensteig Queidersbach Eulenbis Rodenbach Froeschen Schopp Geiselberg Schmalenberg Heltersberg Steinalben Hermersberg Stelzenberg Hoheinod 6 Sulbachtal Hoheischweiler Thaleischweiler Hohenecken Trippstadt Horbach Vogelweh KaiserslauternCity Vogelweh Housing-west Kindsbach Waldfischbach Kreimbach-Kaulbach Weilerbach Krickenbach Wiesentahlerhof Linden

Wörsbach

Landstuhl School Zone

Althuetterhof	 Langwieden
Bann	Martinshöhe
Bechhofen	Mittelbrunn
Bruchmühlbach	Mörsbach
Drehentalerhof	Neumühle
Gerhardsbrunn	Niederhausen
Gross/Kleinbundenbach	Oberarnbach
Harsberg	Oberhausen
Hauptstuhl	Obernheim
Herschberg	Potzbach
Hettenhausen	Rosenkopf
Käshofen	Saalstadt
Kirchenarnbach	Schauerberg
Knopp	Schmalenberg
Krähenberg	Schmittshausen
Labach	Vogelbach
Lambsborn	Wallhalben
Landstuhl-Atzel	Weselberg
Landstuhl-City	Wiesbach
Landstuhl-Melkerei	Winterbach

Sembach School Zone

Molschbach

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Alsenborn	Gonbach	Mehlbach	Schneckenhausen
Baalborn	Heiligenmoschel	Mehlingen	Schweissweiler
Börrstadt	Hirschhorn	Münchweiler a.d. Alsenz	Sembach-Town
Breunigweiler	Hochspeyer	Neuhemsbach	Sippersfeld
Enkenbach	Hochstein	Neukirchen	Wartenberg
Erfenbach	Höringen	Otterbach	Winnweiler
Erlenbach	Imsbach	Otterberg	
Fischbach	Katzweiler	Rohrbach	
Gehrweiler	Kuehboerncheshof	Sambach	
Gersweilerhof	Langmeil	Schallodenbach	
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Ramstein School Zone

Albersbach Mackenbach
Altenglan Matzenbach
Altenkirchen Miesau

Bettenhausen Miesau-Buchholz Börsborn Miesau Depot Bosenbach Miesenbach Brücken Mühlbach

Dietschweiler Nanzdietschweiler

Dittweiler Nanzweiler

Elschbach Neunkirchen a. Potzberg

Elschbacherhof Niedermohr

Elschbach Am Bahnhof Niederstaufenbach

Etschberg Obermohr

Fockenberg-Limbach Oberstaufenbach

Föckelberg Ohmbach
Friedelhausen Potzberg
Gimsbach Quirnbach
Glan-Münchweiler Ramstein-City
Gries Rehweiler

Haschbach Reichenbach-Steegen

Henschtal Reuschbach Herschweiler-Pettersheim Rothselberg

Hüffler Rusweiler am. Glan

Hütschenhausen Sand

Jägersburg Schellweiler Jettenbach Schmittweiler Katzenbach Schönenberg Schrollbach Kirchmohr Schwedelbach Kollweiler Spesbach Kottweiler-Schwanden Steinbach Krottelbach Steinwenden Kübelberg Theisbergstegen Landstuhl-Langwiesen

Liebsthal Waldmohr Weltersbach

Vogelweh School Zone

Einsiedlerhof

Forsthaus-Einsiedlerhof

Kindsbach Siegelbach

Vogelweh Housing-East

Student Transportation Offices

Kaiserslautern Student Transportation

* Kaiserslautern

* Landstuhl

* Sembach

Schools

*Vogelweh

PHONE: DSN: 545-1343

COM: 0611-143-545-1343

BLDG 1178 Vogelweh housing

Ramstein Student Transportation

Serving all Ramstein Schools PHONE: DSN: 480-2877

COM: 06371-47-2877

BLDG 994T Ramstein Elementary School campus

Baumholder Student Transportation

Serving all Baumholder Schools PHONE: DSN: 545-1212/1213

COM: 0611-143-545-1212/1213

BLDG 8801 Wetzel Kaserne