

# Yearly Events and Sport Activities

Sesame Street Live, January

Spring Flag Football Sign-up, 15 - 31 January

Basketball Sign-up (13 - 18 yrs), 1 - 28 February

Baseball Sign-up, 15 - 31 March

Egg Scramble, March or April

Family Fair, April

Summer Camp Registration, 1 April

Swim Lessons, June - August

Fall Flag Football Sign-up, 15 - 31 July

Instructional Classes, Registration 1 August

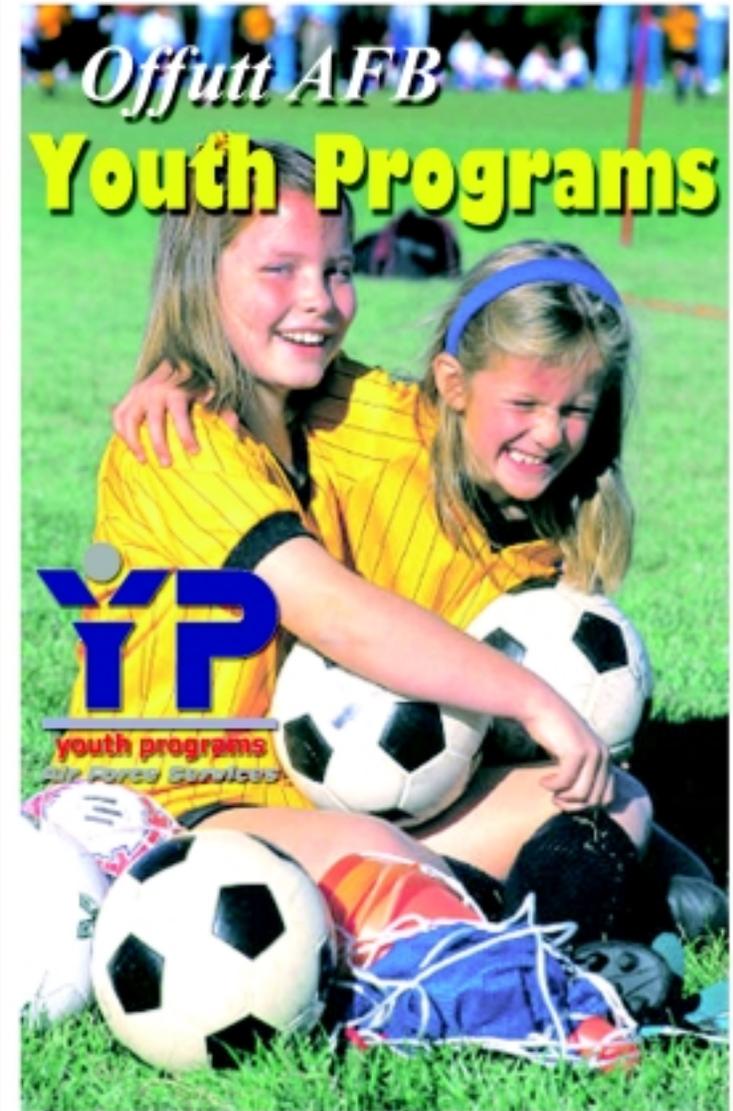
Fall Soccer Sign-up, 1st session, 1 - 15 October

Cheerleading Sign-up, 15 - 31 October

Basketball Sign-up (5 - 12 yrs), 15 - 31 October

Nutcracker Ballet, December

Soccer Sign-up, 2nd session, 1-15 December



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## **United Way of the Midlands**

The Offutt AFB Youth Activities Program is a recipient agency of the United Way CHAD. Contributions can be made to the United Way at the time of the Combined Federal Campaign. Perhaps you would consider designating part of your contribution to the youth at Offutt AFB. If so, look for the agency number in the list that is provided and annotate the number on your pledge form. These funds are used towards our programs for dependent youth and families.

Without the support from United Way, the Offutt AFB Youth Programs would not be able to sustain the quantity and quality of programs available to the youth. We would like to thank United Way for the generous contributions and support throughout the year.

No federal endorsement of sponsor intended.

## **Teen Volunteers**

Teen volunteers can work at Ehrling Bergquist Hospital under the direction of the Red Cross. Most teen volunteers work during the summer months. The Red Cross office phone number is 294-5032.

## **Congressional Award**

The Congressional Award is about challenging yourself. The program is a fun and interesting way to involve yourself in something new or something that you already enjoy. To earn each award you must set goals in four different areas; volunteer public service, personal development, physical fitness and expedition/exploration. Please call Youth Programs at 294-5152 for more information.

## **Y.E.S. Program**

The Y.E.S. Program is an on base volunteer program for high school students, 14 - 18 years old. This program gives students an opportunity to learn valuable work skills, bank dollar credits toward their post-secondary education, and have a positive impact on their base community. Y.E.S. allows high school students to bank \$4 in grant funding for every hour volunteered. The base will be credited with \$2 for every hour to be used in support of base Youth Programs enhancements. Please call Youth Programs at 294-5152 for more information.

# Related Youth Programs

*Numerous opportunities are available for Offutt's youth, just to name a few:*

## Civil Air Patrol

Numerous opportunities await young men and women ages 13 (or seventh grade) through 17, who join Civil Air Patrol (CAP). CAP develops youth interest in aerospace and helps mold our aerospace leaders of the future. For more information, call the Base Liaison Office at 294-5960.

## Boy Scouts

There is an extensive Boy Scout Program at Offutt for boys 6 years and older. Special interest Explorers Posts are available for both boys and girls age 14 (or 8th grade) to 21. Call the Mid-America Council Office at 431-9272 and ask for the Wagon Wheel District Representative.

## Girl Scouts

Offutt also has an active Girl Scout program for girls in grades Kindergarten through 12. Most scouting activities are scheduled during the school year with camping activities scheduled during the summer at two local Girl Scout camps. The Girl Scout Council office phone number is 558-8189.

## 4-H

Over 100 projects are available for ages 9 - 19 in the 4-H program. Special events include contests, camps, county fairs and mini-courses periodically conducted at the Youth Programs.

## Address

Offutt Youth Programs  
55 SVS/SVYY  
Offutt AFB, NE 68113

## Phone Number

294-5152

## Location

Capehart Housing  
25th & Hruska

## Check out Services Online!

<http://www.offutt.af.mil/55svs>

# Welcome to the Offutt Youth Programs



This Youth Programs brochure has been designed to acquaint you with many of the programs provided by the Offutt AFB Youth Programs. We believe that our Youth Activities Program is one of the finest and largest in the Air Force and welcome you and your family to become a part of it.

We offer recreational activities in an environment that is safe yet allows children to make choices, develop friendships, and grow socially as well as emotionally.

Year-round activities are available for dependent youth, ages 5 through 18, of active duty, retired military, DoD personnel, and contractors. Some programs do have size limitations and are open to active duty military dependents only.

The Youth Center is located by the Capehart Theater and the Shoppette in Capehart housing. We invite you to stop by and check us out or give us a call at 294-5152.

## Youth Soccer Program

An indoor soccer program is offered by the Offutt Youth Programs. Leagues are offered for youths ages 10 through 18. There are two sessions - one beginning in October and one beginning in January.

All games will be held at the Offutt Field House. Registration for the first session is October 1st through the 15th. Registration for the second session is December 1st through the 15th. Register at the Offutt Youth Programs.

Participants may sign up individually or as a team. Special release of liability will be required for all children who have no affiliation with the base. Teams with military players will have first priority for playing.



For additional information about any activity listed in this brochure, please call the Youth Programs at 294-1686 or 294-5152.



## Cheerleading

All youth, ages 5 to 12, are invited to join the Youth Programs Cheerleading Club. Cheerleaders will meet once a week from December to February for the basketball season. The cost is subject to offset the items needed for the cheerleading season. The items needed are pom-poms, briefs and skirts. For more information call 294-5152.

## 4-H Clubs

The Youth Programs is an active member in 4-H Clubs. Preteens ages 9 - 12, have been participating in many 4-H Clubs such as cooking, photography, embryology, and a robotix club. Teens ages 13 - 18, are learning to crochet and also using 4-H programs to help them prepare for college. The School-age Program (kindergarten - 6 th grade), has added 4-H Clubs into their curriculum.

The clubs vary in length, which meet once a week. Many other clubs will be implemented throughout the summer and upcoming years.

Please call the Youth Center at 294-5152 for more information.

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# Youth Programs Policies

## Conduct

When a youth, either a member or a guest, participates in a Youth Programs activity, he/she must accept certain responsibilities. These responsibilities are based on common sense and respect for others. We have a minimum number of guidelines which the participants must follow:

Proper respect of staff members must be observed at all times.

Persons damaging or defacing furniture, equipment or property will be held financially responsible for such damage.

Members and guests may not enter the Youth Center for any reason except during the designated time period for their age group.

Everyone entering the Youth Center must show their membership card, military I.D. and sign in on the appropriate form. Participants are required to sign in and out each and every time upon entering and leaving the Youth Center.

Youths are not permitted in the office at anytime unless authorized by a Youth Programs staff member.

No obscene or abusive language is permitted at any time.

There will be no demonstrations of affections beyond that which is proper and in good taste in public.

Only gym shoes are permitted for wear in the gym.

All persons using the Youth Center must present a neat and clean appearance. Provocative, immodest or disorderly clothing will not be worn.

There is no smoking in the Youth Center or within 75 feet from the building.

Persons suspected of being under the influence of alcohol or drugs will not be admitted to the Youth Center. Consumption of alcohol or drugs in or around the Youth Center will not be tolerated. If a person is suspected of being under the influence of alcohol or drugs, the parents and/or Security Forces will be notified.

Food or drink is to be consumed only in the snack bar area or outside the Youth Programs.

No gum chewing in the Youth Center.

When wearing a baseball hat in the building, it must be worn with the visor of the hat in front, not backward.

# Wanted Sports Volunteers

In our Sports Program we are seeking coaches who can communicate with players while teaching them skills, teamwork and sportsmanship. If you would like to assist, please call the Youth Programs. All volunteers must have First Aid, CPR, and Blood Pathogen Certificates, a background check, and be NYSCA certified.

## The first coaches meeting:

Soccer	October, December
Flag Football	August
Baseball	April
Basketball	October

## The first official's meeting:

Basketball	November
Baseball	May



League Commissioners play an important role in the sports programs. It is necessary that commissioners help with the administrative side of the program. An average knowledge of the sport, some organizational skills, and an ability to communicate with other adults are the main requirements for the positions.



# Basketball

A strong intramural basketball program is offered through the Youth Programs. Leagues are offered for children ages 5-12. Groups in leagues may change depending on the number of participants.

Practices and all games will be held at the Youth Center. Registration is held October 15th through the 31st.



Teenage Basketball is now called, "Operation Night Hoops". Sign-up is from 1 - 15 February.

This new league is exclusively for teenagers and games will be played on Friday and Saturday evenings between 7 - 11 p.m. from March until May. Features of the league include a variety of teen oriented events, games and life-skills workshops for players and friends on game nights. The league is the creation of Kid's Sports Network that promotes quality sports for kids. Operation Night Hoops has two leagues - girls and boys. Operation Night Hoops is funded through a grant from the Air Force Services Agency.

# Misconduct

Youth Programs membership may be restricted or suspended by the Youth Programs Director for violation of Youth Program policies. The length of suspension or restriction will be based upon:

- \* The seriousness of the offense.
- \* The frequency of rule violations by the youth involved.
- \* The attitude of the youth toward the rules of the Youth Programs as determined by the Youth Programs Director and staff.

Parent(s) or guardian(s) will be notified by telephone anytime a youth has been asked to leave the Youth Center for any reason.

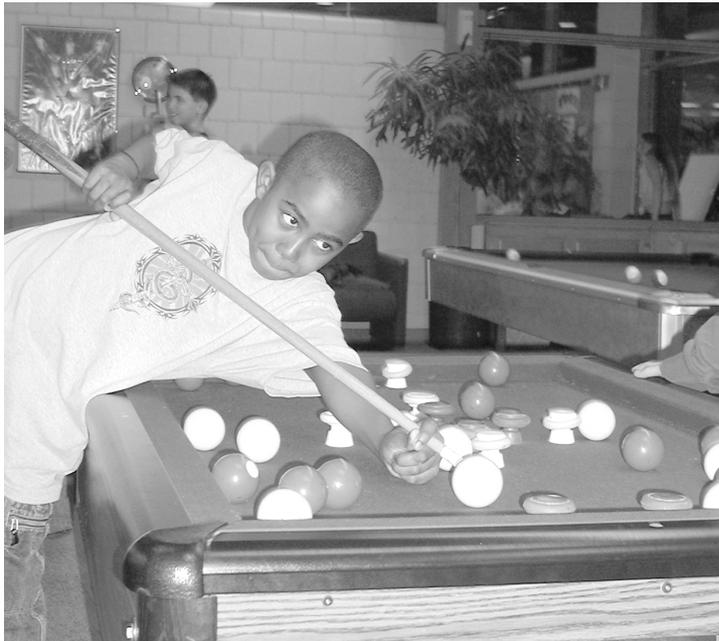
If a youth has been in trouble on the base and/or community (i.e. burglary, shoplifting, drugs, theft, etc.), he/she may receive a suspension from the Youth Programs.

## Youth Programs Payment Policies

1. A \$25 registration fee must be paid at the time of registration, though certain exceptions may be made only with Youth Programs Director approval.
2. Registration forms will not be accepted by Youth Programs staff without payment.
3. Youth Programs activities are not pro-rated. There is no second or third child discounts.
4. All programs have a deadline for payment.
5. All military youth must be members of the Youth Programs to participate.

## Refunds Policy

1. All refunds must be approved by the Youth Programs Director.
2. Refunds will be made if the following conditions are met:
  - (a) Class or event has not started and participant request a refund.
  - (b) If a participant becomes seriously ill or injured. In this case, the participant's refund will be prorated according to the time he/she has participated in an activity.
  - (c) Class or activity is cancelled or postponed.
  - (d) Partial refund of membership is refunded with a copy of military PCS orders.



## Flag Football

Flag Football is a coed sport and two sessions are offered:

**Fall Session** - Sign-up 15 - 31 July, practice last two weeks of August. Season starts the first Saturday in September.

**Spring Session** - Sign-up 15 - 31 January, practice starts the last two weeks of February, season starts the second week of March.

Flag Football has two leagues: Young Division - ages 6 - 8. Junior Division - ages 9 - 12.





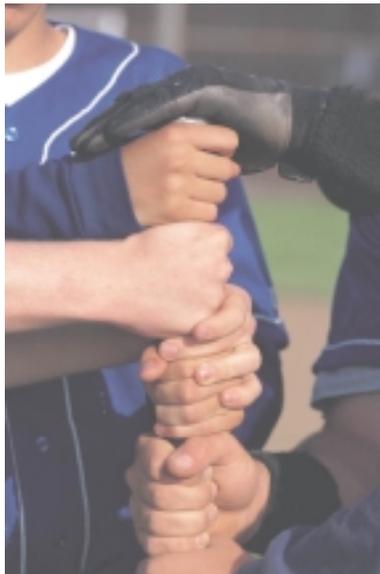
## Baseball and Softball

Offutt Youth Programs offers a summer baseball program for youths ages 5 through 12. The season begins at the end of May and ends in early July. Practices begin in late April. Registration begins in mid-March and takes place at the Youth Center.

The baseball program is divided into the following leagues:

League	Ages
T-Ball	5 - 6
Coach Pitch	7 - 8
Kid's Pitch	9 - 10
Kid's Pitch	11 - 12
Girl's Softball	9 - 15

All youth will be required to be current Youth Programs members and have had a sports physical within the last twelve months.



## Membership Usage Fee

Parent(s) should register their children at the Youth Center to obtain membership. Membership is \$25 per year.

Membership fees are paid yearly.

### Membership ID card (pocket size)

<b>Teens</b>	Green card	Ages 13 - 18 years
<b>Pre-Teens</b>	Blue card	Ages 9 - 12 years
<b>Juniors</b>	White card	Ages 5 - 8 years

### Membership Participation Policies

1. Personnel authorized to use facilities are:
  - (a) Family members of military personnel 5 through 18 years of age.
  - (b) Family members of civilian personnel assigned to Offutt AFB, 5 through 18 years of age on a space-available basis.
  - (c) Civilian guests when participating as guests of authorized family members. Limit one guest per family member.
  - (d) Family members of military, civilian, and contract personnel as signed to Offutt AFB, under age 5 approved by the Youth Programs Director.
  - (e) No pre-teen or teenager will be allowed in the facility without membership and military ID card.
  - (f) Every pre-teen or teenage guest that is accompanied by a member will be allowed in the facility with a participation fee of \$2.00 and a photo ID including birth date.
2. All participants of classes, sports and Youth Programs activities must be registered. Registration in youth activities does not entitle participant to membership privileges.
3. Membership privileges do not include the Youth Program's playground.

# Facilities

Facilities located within the Youth Center:

**Dedicated Before and After School Area** - Includes: craft room, a kitchen, gymnasium, computer lab, multi-purpose rooms, playground, friendship corner, and learning room.

**Preteen/Teen Area** - Large screen television, computer lab, pool tables, foosball tables, bumper pool tables, quiet area, access to snack bar, arts & crafts, board games, gymnasium, and much more.

**Dance Theater** - Hosts ballet, tap and jazz classes

**Multi Purpose Gymnasium** - Host gymnastics and martial arts program. Used for before and after school programs.

**Gymnasium** - Six basketball hoops, volleyball, badminton, and fitness equipment.

**Snack Bar**- Hot dogs, popcorn, candy, soda, juice, cookies, nachos, chips, fresh fruit, and healthy heart items available.

During the school year, the facilities may be reserved for leadership workshops and meetings between 9 a.m. & 3 p.m. by calling 294-5152.



## Adult Volunteers

Volunteers are always welcome in the area of arts and crafts instruction, leadership in basic games, and activities such as campouts, dances, picnics, swim parties, etc. Each volunteer will receive an orientation and training as required. All volunteers must have their First Aid, CPR, and Blood Pathogen Certificate and a background check. Give us a call at 294-5152 or 294-1686 if you can give us a hand.



## Fun Activities

### Learn to Swim Lessons

Learn to swim lessons are held in June, July and August at the Capehart pool.

Classes meet five days a week, Monday through Friday in 2 week sessions. Friday classes are used to make up rain days, fun day or out of pool instruction.

### Learn to Swim

Registration dates are established according to the school schedule. Information will be provided in the Youth In Action newsletter the first of May.

#### Ages

Preschool ( <i>intro to water to super swimmer</i> )	2 1/2 - 6 years
Beginners to Swimmers	6 years & older

## Young American Bowlers Alliance (YABA)

Junior Bowling is held each school year at Peacekeeper Lanes for youths 5 - 18 years old. Registration is held in mid-August for the Young American Bowling Alliance Leagues. The Leagues are broken down by age and ability. A total of eight coaches help instruct the youths during the season in the fundamentals of bowling. For more information, please call Peacekeeper Lanes at 294-2514.



# School Age Program (SAP)

## School Age Program

The School Age Program is a before and after school service geared toward youth whose parent(s) work and have difficulty providing adequate transportation and supervision for their children 5 - 12 years of age. We provide the following service:

- a. Transportation to and from school
- b. Quality supervision during the hours parent(s) are absent
- c. A wide variety of recreational activities while children are enrolled in the program
- d. Assistance with developing proper study habits

Only schools that are located in the surrounding Capehart Housing area are currently accessible to our service. A continuous waiting list is kept for parents to register for this program. Cost is based on the DoD uniformed fee structure. Field trips will be an additional charge. Kindergarten participants are cared for during the morning and afternoon hours. Nutritional meals and snacks are provided and professional staff conduct educational and entertaining programs.

## Summer Day Camp

The Summer Program offers youth ages 5 - 12 an opportunity to participate in a summer recreational program. Each day children will be exposed to new and exciting activities. The program begins at 6:30 a.m. and ends at 6 p.m.

- Cost:** Based on the DoD uniformed fee structure.  
All trips are optional and a separate fee will be charged.
- Lunch:** Lunch and snacks are provided.

It is the parent's responsibility to make sure that the children are dressed properly to participate in the program. Example: when swimming is scheduled, please pack a swim suit.

# Suggestions or Complaints

If you think there is a better way for us to do business, feel free to stop in and visit. Patron feedback is an essential part of our evaluation process. We also appreciate any compliments that you feel are deserving for a job well done. There are customer comment cards available in the Youth Center's lobby or you may visit our Interactive Customer Evaluation (ICE) DoD Website at <http://ice.disa.mil>. Click on Conus, then Offutt, and then family category.

## Class Instruction

Fall classes start the first week of September. Registration for classes starts August 1st, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. A special day in which the instructors will be present to answer questions will be held in August. Registrations will be accepted throughout the year on a space available basis.

Youths will be charged for classes unless they have a prolonged illness or injury, in which case they must notify the instructor or the Youth Programs staff. In some cases, make-up classes may be available.

The variety and number of classes, workshops, and mini courses are limited only by availability of space and/or instructors. If you have a talent you would like to share with our young people, please contact the Youth Programs. A minimum number of students will be required for us to support each offering. If the minimum number is not reached, we reserve the right to cancel the course.

The following classes are available: Piano, Dance, Tumbling, Gymnastics, and Tae Kwon-do.

More information on classes can be obtained by stopping by the Youth Center's lobby and picking up a class information sheet. Class times and dates are announced in the Air Pulse, Services Skyline, and a number of other news sources.

# Youth Programs Winter Hours of Operation

**September - May**  
(Based on school year)

## **Juniors** **5 years through 8 years**

Can only be in the facility when accompanied by an adult or enrolled in a structured program. Structured programs are considered school age program, organized recreational programs, special events and instructional classes. Parent(s) or siblings 16 years or older, must accompany children 5 - 8 years. Children in this age group cannot be in the facility past 6 p.m. if they are walk-ins.

## **Pre-Teens** **9 years through 12 years**

Monday - Friday	3 - 6 p.m.
Saturday	Noon - 5 p.m.
Sunday & Holidays	Closed

## **Teens** **13 years through 18 years**

Monday - Friday	6 - 9 p.m.
Saturday	5 - 9 p.m.
Sunday & Holidays	Closed

# Youth Programs Summer Hours of Operation

**June - August**  
(Based on school year)

## **Juniors** **5 years through 8 years**

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## **Pre-Teens** **9 years through 12 years**

Monday - Friday	Noon - 5 p.m.
Saturday	Noon - 5 p.m.
Sunday & Holidays	Closed

## **Teens** **13 years through 18 years**

Monday - Thursday	5 - 9 p.m.
Friday & Saturday	5 - 9 p.m.
Sunday & Holidays	Closed