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Military Family Appreciation Month

Military Family Appreciation Month was established in 1993 by the Armed Services YMCA, with the U.S. Government recognizing the occasion every year since. Each year the President signs a proclamation declaring November Military Family Month. This annual proclamation marks the beginning of a month-long celebration of the Military Family in which the Department of Defense and the nation will honor the commitment and sacrifices made by the families of the nation's service members.

November is a time, by tradition, for family celebrations. It is also a month that is set aside time to honor the military family - a time to recognize their sacrifices and celebrate their successes. During Military Family Month, communities thank military families for the tremendous contribution they make in support of our service members, the military mission and the nation. Military life imposes unique demands on them, and during these difficult times, they have exhibited exceptional sacrifice, resiliency and courage.

Families provide service members with invaluable encouragement and love, and manage the home front while their loved ones are deployed. The winter holiday season marks a time when families across the world come together. It is also a time to pay special tribute to our deployed forces and their families who are separated this holiday season. The dedication and strength of military families during a sustained high operational tempo, increased deployment and long separations is an inspiration to us all. The nation understands that families also serve, and is honored to pay tribute to them.

Remember, **EDDICIMAD** — “*Every day in Camden County is Military Appreciation Day!*” Let us join together in recognizing and celebrating the military families of Naval Submarine Base Kings Bay and Camden County. Thank you military families for all you do!



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Routines are Important

Regaining control of homework, schedules, and potential new teachers can be frustrating for a child with special needs. Getting back on schedule after an extended break from school that includes many family gatherings and holiday parties can be especially challenging. Straying from the hustle and bustle of life while sleeping and allowing children to stay up past their bedtimes are some of the benefits of school holidays, but having a strategy to resume routines before the school break ends is also important:

1. **Prep time is crucial.** Don't let the new routine slip up on you. Talk about the change in routine before it happens. It can be a great dinner topic or a way to start conversation while in the car. Students with developmental disorders such as autism need time to prepare for the change, so don't be afraid to talk, talk, talk!
2. **Give it time.** Just as adults need time to transition, children need time to adjust. Start practicing the new aspect of the routine BEFORE you actually have to perform it. If the routine is bedtime related, increase the bedtime in small increments the first week.
3. **Give your child a calendar.** Children can understand calendars at a very young age. Even if you just help them count the days in between events, they will create a mental picture of the calendar and learn to rely on the calendar to plan events.
4. **Use a checklist.** Posting the "must-do's" each day will keep children organized and will prevent the frustration of forgetting certain things. Checklists can come in various forms, so check out a website like www.schoolfamily.com for a checklist that suits you.
5. **Don't stop learning.** Breaks from school are a good way for children to relax and enjoy activities with the family. However, research has proven that students take at least a week to get back into thinking like a "student" once school resumes. Make a point over long breaks (Thanksgiving, Christmas, Spring Break and especially summer) to do at least one academic activity per day. It can be as simple as completing a word find, putting puzzles together, reading a book, or working just a few easy word problems.

This article was written by Amanda Husley, Special Education Teacher and military spouse and published by the Military Child Education Coalition (MCEC) in "Special Needs & The Military Child" Special Topics edition (ST:12)



Thanksgiving Break—School Closures

Brantley County Schools	November 25—29, 2024
Camden County Schools	November 25—29, 2024
Charlton County Schools	November 25—29, 2024
Glynn County Schools	November 25—29, 2024
Nassau County Schools	November 25—29, 2024



Veterans Day - Interesting Facts

Veterans Day does NOT have an apostrophe.

A lot of people think it's "Veteran's Day" or "Veterans' Day," but they're wrong. This holiday is not a day that "belongs" to one veteran or multiple veterans, which is what an apostrophe implies. It's a day for honoring all veterans — so no apostrophe needed.

Veterans Day is NOT the same as Memorial Day.

Memorial Day is a time to remember those who gave their lives for our country, particularly in battle or from wounds they suffered in battle. Veterans Day honors all of those who have served the country in war or peace — dead or alive— although it's largely intended to thank living veterans for their sacrifices.



It was originally called Armistice Day, commemorating the end of World War I.

World War I (WWI) officially ended when the Treaty of Versailles was signed on June 28, 1919. However, the fighting ended about seven months before that when the Allies and Germany put into effect an armistice on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month. For that reason, November 11, 1918, was largely considered the end of the "war to end all wars." Then, World War II and the Korean War happened, so on June 1, 1954, at the urging of veterans service organizations, Congress amended the commemoration yet again by changing the word "armistice" to "veterans" so the day would honor American veterans of all wars.

For some inexplicable reason, the bill set Veterans Day commemoration for the fourth Monday of every October.

On October 25, 1971, the first Veterans Day under this new bill was held. It is unclear why it took three years to implement, but not surprisingly, there was a lot of confusion about the change, and many states were unhappy, choosing to continue to recognize the day as they had previously — in November. Within a few years, it became pretty apparent that most U.S. citizens wanted to celebrate Veterans Day on November 11th, since it was a matter of historic and patriotic significance. On September 20, 1975, President Gerald Ford signed another law (Public Law 94-97), which returned the annual observance to its original date starting in 1978.

Other countries celebrate it, too, in their own ways.

World War I was a multinational effort, so it makes sense that our allies also wanted to celebrate their veterans on November 11th. Great Britain, Canada and Australia both call November 11th "Remembrance Day" with many citizens wearing red poppy flowers to honor their war dead.



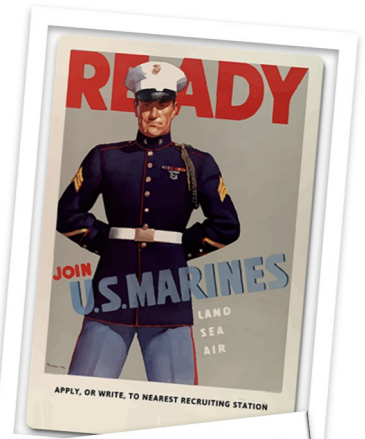
U.S. Marine Corps Celebrates 249th Birthday — Oorah!

The annual Marine Corps Birthday Ball is a celebration of Marine Corps history and traditions. It represents where the Marine Corps started and where it is now; while giving us a glimpse of the past, present and future. Throughout the world on 10 November, Marines celebrate the birth of their Corps -- the most loyal, feared, revered, and professional fighting force the world has ever known.

In 1921, the 13th Commandant, Gen. John A. Lejeune, issued Marine Corps Order No. 47, Series 1921. Gen. Lejeune's order summarized the history, mission, and tradition of the Corps. It further directed that the order be read to all Marines each year on 10 November to honor the founding of the Marine Corps. Soon after, Marine commands began to not only honor the birthday, but celebrate it. In 1923 the Marine Barracks at Ft. Mifflin, Pennsylvania staged a formal dance. The Marines at the Washington Navy Yard arranged a mock battle on the parade ground. At Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, the Marine baseball team played a Cuban team and won with a score of 9 to 8. But this was only the beginning.

The first "formal" Birthday Ball took place in Philadelphia in 1925. Guests included the Commandant, the Secretary of War (known today as the Secretary of Defense), and a host of statesmen and elected officials. Prior to the Ball, Gen. Lejeune unveiled a memorial plaque at Tun Tavern, the birthplace of the Marine Corps. Then the entourage headed for the Benjamin Franklin Hotel for an evening of celebration.

Over the years the annual Birthday Ball grew, taking on a life of its own. In 1952, Commandant Gen. Lemuel C. Shepherd Jr. formalized the cake-cutting ceremony and other traditional observances. Current Marine Corps policy mandates that the first piece of cake must be presented to the oldest U.S. Marine present and passed to the youngest Marine representing the passing of tradition from generation to generation. Among the many such mandates is the reading of the Commandant's birthday message to the Corps. Like the U.S. Marine Corps itself, the annual Birthday Ball has evolved from modest origins to the dignified function it is today. On 10 November, regardless of where Marines are stationed or deployed, you will always hear "Happy Birthday Marine." **Oorah!**



The Theater at Kings Bay presents



**Sensory Cinema:
A Sensory-friendly Movie Experience**

Saturday, November 23
Doors open at 2:30 pm/Show starts at 3:00 pm
Regular Admission applies/Concessions available for purchase

Experience the magic of cinema in a sensory-friendly environment. Lowered audio and dimmed lights will create a comfortable and inclusive movie watching experience for all. Join us for a heartwarming movie where everyone can relax, enjoy and feel welcome.



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ONLY IN THEATERS

RATED PG-13

NOV 9, 2024 • 6 PM
DOORS OPEN AT 5 PM. FREE TICKETS AT THE DOOR.
CONCESSIONS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE.

No cell phones, cameras, recording devices, and/or strollers will be allowed inside the theater. The use of any recording device in the theater is strictly prohibited. Unauthorized recording of copyrighted material is illegal.

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**Storytime
With Santa**



SAT, DEC 7 • 6-8 PM
TRIPLEX CONFERENCE CENTER

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TICKETS
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UNDER 2, FREE
TICKETS SOLD AT
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Youth League Registration



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Dec 1-31 • Cost is \$45

Register at Finnegan's Bowling
Youth League plays Jan 11-Feb 22
Saturday mornings at 10 am
at Finnegan's Bowling
This league is for youth ages 7-17 years old.

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Georgia Apply to College Month



In 2016, Governor Nathan Deal has proclaimed November **Georgia Apply to College (GAC) Month**. Georgia Student Finance Commission (GSFC) and other state education agencies will look to provide high school seniors an opportunity to apply to college using [GAfutures.org](https://www.gafutures.org) with a focus on providing assistance to first generation students, minorities and students from rural areas.

The GSFC has partnered with the University System of Georgia (USG), the Technical College System of Georgia (TCSG), and private institutions to provide application fee waivers to Georgia high school seniors. Forty-nine Georgia colleges and universities have agreed to waive their application fees for high school seniors during the months of November and March.

This is the 3rd year that GSFC has promoted application fee waivers for the month of March, and the first year to incorporate the new GEORGIA MATCH direct admissions initiative. Through GEORGIA MATCH, over 132,000 Georgia high school seniors have received a personalized letter from Governor Kemp listing the public technical institutions, colleges and universities that are holding a spot for them in the Fall 2024 semester based on their academic eligibility. Every student received a letter with at least twenty-two colleges that are holding a spot for them, eliminating some of the guesswork and anxiety from the typical college application process.

There is no limit on the number of schools a student may apply to using the application fee waivers. While application fees may vary by institution, the cost savings to high school seniors applying to multiple colleges can be significant. The full list of participating schools and information on how to access the application fee waivers may be found at [GAfutures.org](https://www.gafutures.org).

The mission of the Georgia Student Finance Commission is to help students pursue higher education with the least out-of-pocket costs possible. Students interested in learning more about application fee waivers, GEORGIA MATCH, scholarships, and grants may connect with their regional GSFC Outreach representative by visiting <https://www.gafutures.org/about-us/outreach/gsfcc-outreach/>.

High schools throughout Georgia will host GAC events where their seniors not only have dedicated class time to apply to college, they have an opportunity to speak with representatives from postsecondary institutions about navigating the college application process. Visit [College Goal Georgia](https://www.collegegoalgeorgia.org) for more information.

GSFC sponsors GAC, along with Communities in Schools of Georgia, Georgia Department of Education, the Georgia Independent College Association, the Georgia Partnership for Excellence in Education, the Technical College System of Georgia and the University System of Georgia.

High school seniors do not miss out on the opportunity to apply to college without the application fees. Now is a great time to find your GEORGIA MATCH. College is within reach!

This article was adapted from <https://gsfc.georgia.gov/press-releases/2024-02-20/find-your-match-march> on October 17, 2024.



THE THEATER AT KINGS BAY PRESENTS

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TURKEY Shoot

NOVEMBER 1 to DECEMBER 21

BOWL A STRIKE IN FRAMES 3, 6 & 9 and WIN A TURKEY!
ONLY \$1 PER EACH REGULAR GAME PLAYED

Limited to winning once per day per 8 days.
Regular game/shoe rentals apply
\$1 must be paid prior to bowling game.
A Gift Card will be issued to purchase a turkey.
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The Theater at Kings Bay presents

FALL FAMILY FILM FEST
NOV 25-27 & 29
(CLOSED THANKSGIVING DAY, NOV 28)

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DOORS OPEN AT 10:30 AM
CONCESSIONS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

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Happy Holidays

ACTIVE DUTY FAMILIES, E-5 & BELOW, MAY REGISTER TO RECEIVE A COMPLIMENTARY CHRISTMAS TREE FROM

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REGISTER ON-LINE
NOV 1-DEC 1
(Limited number, while supplies last)
TREE MUST BE PICKED UP ON
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10 • 4-6 PM
IN FRONT OF TICKETS & TRAVEL.

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Register Today!
Details & categories are listed on the Registration page.



<https://tinyurl.com/KBtreeregistration.com>

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Camden County School System

www.camden.k12.ga.us

Georgia Department of Education

www.gadoe.org

Florida Department of Education

www.fldoe.org

Military OneSource

www.militaryonesource.org

Military Child Education Coalition (MCEC)

www.militarychild.org

Transition Information

www.militaryk12partners.dodea.edu

Military Kids Connect (Great for teens!)

<http://militarykidsconnect.dcoe.mil>



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