



Welcome Aboard

This package will provide insight into the local area as well as provide points of contact for local services aboard Fort George G. Meade and in vicinity of the installation.

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Headquarters Company, Marine Cryptologic Support Battalion is located aboard Fort George G. Meade, Maryland, and is approximately twenty miles southwest of Baltimore in a rapidly growing area.

The Marines of MCSB Headquarters consists of the Battalion Staff and the Marine Liaison Office of the National Security Agency.

The Battalion staff consists of professional, experienced, and motivated Marines ready and willing to assist you. Your sponsor has been briefed on his or her responsibilities as well as available resources to help you with your move and in processing.

The information included in this package is meant to help ease the stress and hardship of your relocation by providing you with information you will need to make a smooth transition into the Fort Meade community.

If your family has special needs or you require more specific information, please contact the Battalion S-1 at (240) 373-3756. In addition, to ensure the smoothest transition possible, contact MCSB's Special Security Officer at (240) 373-3822 as soon as possible.

Reporting for duty

During duty hours all Marines reporting to MCC 800 must report to the Consolidated Administrative Office (CONAD) to have their orders endorsed and begin the check-in procedure. CONAD is located in the OPS 3 building at NSA, Fort George G. Meade, MD 20755.

After hours all Marines reporting to MCC 800 and living in the barracks will enter Fort Meade through the NSA's visitor control center. Inform the guards that you are checking in for duty. There you will obtain a 30-day campus access badge. Proceed to the Battalion barracks duty office and have your orders endorsed. If you are checking in for Headquarters Company, have the duty call or page the Command Duty Officer. The Bn barracks are located at 9828 Emory Road. If need be, have the duty pick you up. The Bn Duty NCO can be reached at (301) 677-9495. Have your orders endorsed by the duty, and report to CONAD at 0730 on the next workday. The Service Alpha uniform is required when reporting for duty. Battalion Staff mandates that incoming personnel be accompanied by their sponsors during the check-in process. Additionally, Marines that do not require a barracks room will report to the Battalion Command Duty Officer.

Uniforms

The prescribed uniform of the day for Marine Cryptologic Support Battalion Marines aboard Fort Meade from Monday through Thursday is utilities. Every Friday the uniform of the day is either Service Charlies (summer months) or Service Bravos (winter months). Please contact the CDO if you have any questions about uniforms.

Contact information

Duty Hours: S-1
(240) 373-3756

After Hours: Duty NCO
(301) 677-9495

Quick Reference Telephone Numbers

Emergency:

Ambulance 911
 Military police 911 or 677-6622

Airline tickets 410 674-1325
 Army Community Services 677-5590
 Arts and Crafts 677-7809
 Auto Craft Center 677-5542
 Bowling Center 677-5541
 Child Care Referral 688-4283
 Child Development Services
 Central Registry 677-7712
 Main Office 677-6312
 Commissary 677-7364
 Community Health Nurse 677-8434
 Community Life 677-3626
 Community Recreation 677-3810
 Officer's Club 677-5358
 Enlisted Club 677-
 Credit Unions
 FGGM 677-3812
 Navy Federal 410 266-1167
 Tower Federal 497-7000
 Education Office 677-6421
 Post Exchange 410 674-7170
 Military Clothing 677-2592
 Gaffney Gym 677-3716
 Murphy Field House 677-3042

Kimbrough Ambulatory Care Center

Emergency 911
 Appointment Desk 677-8151
 Pediatrics 677-8755
 Pharmacy 677-8288
 Pharmacy Refill 677-8209

Housing

Off Base Services 677-7748
 Bachelor Housing Office 677-4783/4763
 Leasing Center 410 305-1258
 866 525-HOME
 Potomac Place 672-2981
 Patriot Ridge 672-2981
 Meuse Forest 672-2475
 Midway Common 672-2301
 Normandy Bluffs 672-2000
 Heritage Park 672-2000
 Reece Crossings 672-4076

Legal Assistance

JAG (Army) 677-9504

Leisure Travel 677-7354
 Lending Closet 677-6948
 Library 677-4509
 Post Office 677-4660
 Recycling Center 677-3211
 Red Cross 410 674-3110

Schools

Board of Education 410 222-5000
 Meade Senior High 410 674-7710
 Meade Middle School 410 674-2355
 MacArthur Middle School 410 674-0032
 Manor View Elementary 410 222-6504
 Meade Heights Elementary 410 222-6509
 West Meade Elementary 410 222-6545
 Pershing Hill Elementary 410 222-6519

Snow closings 688-6711
 Thrift Shop 410 672-3575
 Veterinary Clinic 677-4751
 Youth Services 677-1437

Please click on the picture below to be linked to the Fort Meade Base Directory for all additional numbers of interest



Directions

From DC and South to Fort Meade

Go to MD-295 N towards BALTIMORE to US 175 EAST
Follow 175 EAST until it turns into Reece Road
Follow the signs on Reece Road to the Main Gate

From BWI Airport to Fort Meade

Take 295 South to Route 32 East.
Follow Route 32 to the Route 198 exit (Fort Meade)
Cross over the bridge and follow the roundabout into the Mapes Gate.

From BWI Airport to NSA's VCC

Take 295 South to Route 32 East
Follow to Canine Road
Make a right at the light, this will take you into NSA's visitor center.

Off Limits Areas

Around the Clock Locksmith, Pasadena: **Unethical business practices**

Exxon Gas Station, 1318 Annapolis Road, Odenton: **Selling Spice**

Exxon Gas Station, 7898 Ridge Road, Hanover: **Selling Spice**

Tobacco Stop, 3351 Corridor Marketplace, Laurel: **Selling Spice**

Housing

Bachelor Enlisted Quarters

Enlisted personnel E5 and below are berthed in the Army/Marine Corps barracks 9804. Two rooms share a private head. The game room, movie area, kitchen, and laundry facilities are available within the barracks.

Bachelor Quarters

There are permanent party bachelor officer and senior enlisted housing accommodations on Ft. Meade through the Post Billeting Office, Brett Hall, Bldg. 4707 on Ruffer Rd. There are 190 single-occupancy quarters for temporary duty assignments, visiting officer and visiting enlisted personnel. Forty-four of the units are suites, which contain a bedroom, living room and private bath. Fifty-five units are single occupancy with a private bath and 91 units are single rooms with shared baths.

Off-base Housing

For listings and recommendations please contact the MCSB Battalion Family Readiness Officer or Company Deputy Family Readiness Officers.

RELOCATION READINESS PROGRAM

The Relocation Readiness Program supports military personnel and their families as they relocate. The program includes education and training opportunities, such as pre- and post-move briefings, orientations and workshops, overseas orientations, pre-deployment briefings, cross-cultural training and destination services. ACS also has a lending closet, which maintains limited household items for newly assigned families to borrow while household goods are in transit. Other relocation services include support for waiting families, preparation and planning assistance before and during the transfer, and cultural adaptation classes upon request. Sponsor training is offered to train unit representatives to be effective sponsors for incoming personnel. Information about major military installations worldwide, including Ft Meade, is available online at www.militaryhomefront.dod.mil. For more information, call (301) 677-5590; from Mon to Fri, 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.



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the picture.**

Temporary Lodging

Upon check-in, all persons authorized to live off base that require temporary lodging are to call the Billeting Office, (301) 677-5884/6529 prior to making arrangements for off-base accommodations. Unaccompanied personnel (E6 and below) will be assigned a room in the Army/Marine Corps barracks.

In the event billeting is not available, a statement of non-availability will be issued authorizing Temporary Lodging Expenses.

Post Guest House

Abrams Hall (family quarters) provides temporary housing for active duty and retired military personnel, their families, and official guests for up to 30 days. Other eligible personnel are authorized for up to seven days, and may request an extension on a space-available basis. Abrams Hall is located at Bldg. 2793 on Hawkins Drive. The facility consists of 54 rental units with a common-use kitchen, laundry and vending machine room. Reservations are accepted and confirmed up to 90 days prior to arrival. **Pets are not authorized.**

For reservations or more information, call (410) 672-1975 or (301) 677-5660.

U.S. Coast Guard Guest House, Curtis Bay, MD

The Coast Guard has a 5-unit guesthouse within commuting distance of Fort Meade. Each fully equipped, apartment style unit, which sleeps up to 6 individuals. For more information, call (410) 636-4194.

Additional Options

The following list is provided as a courtesy and should not be considered complete, or construed as an endorsement.

Knights Inn	(301) 498-5553
Motel 6	(301) 497-1544
Holiday Inn (Laurel)	(301) 498-0900
Holiday Inn (Columbia)	(410) 596-3366
Holiday Inn Express	(410) 684-3388
Red Roof Inn (BWI)	(410) 850-7600

Child Care

Child Development Services

Army Child, Youth and School Services programs exist to support military readiness by reducing the conflict between service members mission requirements and his or her parental responsibilities. To support this mission we offer full day, part day, hourly care, and a Pre K program which provides children a rich, stimulating environment where children can develop motor, cognitive, social and emotional skills through a balance of exploration and planned curriculum. Learning activities are designed to support the natural development of children and include individual, small group and large group exercises.

Part Day Pre-School

Part Day preschool is run by CDC III at our School Age Services location on 1900 Reece Rd. It is available for children 3 and 4 years old and classes are held from 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Contact [Parent Central Services](#) to enroll in this program.

Pre-K Program

The Army's Strong Beginnings Pre-K is a program designed to prepare children to be successful to enter kindergarten. Curriculum focuses on the social, emotional, and physical development of your child; equips them with basic academic (language, reading, math, and social studies) and "Kindergarten Classroom Etiquette" skills to enhance "school readiness". The program is offered at all to the CDCs and to register, contact [Parent Central Services](#).

Hourly Care

CDC I offer hourly care for children six week to five years old. Patrons are limited to 25 hours per week and must be registered with [Parent Central Services](#) to participate in the program. Reservations can be made up to two weeks in advance; to make a reservation call 301-677-3407.

CDC I

Telephone: 301-677-5201
Address: 4725 Ruffner Road, Fort Meade, Maryland 20755

CDC II

Telephone: 301-677-6002
Address: 3100 MacArthur Road, Fort Meade, Maryland 20755

CDC III

Telephone: 301-677-1530
Address: 910 Ernie Pyle Street, Fort Meade, Maryland 20755
Hours of Operation: Monday - Friday: 6:30 am - 5:30 pm

School Information

Summary:

Fort Meade is bordered by three counties, Anne Arundel, Howard, and Prince George, each its own school district. It is important to remember all schools on and off Fort Meade are governed by these local counties. The six schools on post are owned and operated by Anne Arundel County. Your address determines what school your child will attend. Before and after school care programs are offered at some area schools and by the Fort Meade Child, Youth, and School Services.

Information regarding homeschooling:

Homeschooled families can connect with Fort Meade homeschoolers through the Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/FortMeadeHomeschoolGroup/>

The group is assembled by a parent-volunteers committee who offer educational support & classes to Fort Meade families.

Anne Arundel County
410-222-5000
www.aacps.org

Howard County
410-313-6600
www.hcps.org

Prince George County
301-952-6115
www.pgcps.org



For all additional information please click on the picture to go directly to Fort Meade Child, Youth and School Services homepage.

School Registration:

Q: At what age can my children start school?

A: For all MD counties, children must be five years old on or before September 1st of the year he/she is presented for enrollment to be eligible to register for public schools.

Q: What is required for enrollment?

1. Birth Certificate
2. Current Shot Record
3. Social Security Number
4. Copy of the child's physical exam
5. Two proofs of Parent/Custodian residence (lease, mortgage, utility bill)
6. Custody or guardian papers filed through the court. (If applicable)

Q: How do I enroll for school?

A: You can locate your school via the school website. You can call and make an appointment or just go to the school to register. Please contact the School Liaison for more information.

School Liaison Office (301) 677-1227

Medical Information

EMERGENCY SERVICES

In case of an emergency, patients should dial 911 or go to the nearest emergency room. Kimbrough Ambulatory Care Center does not offer emergency medicine or inpatient services.

Medical Facilities:

Kimbrough Ambulatory Care Center

2480 Llewellyn Ave.

To make or cancel appointments, call (866) 511-8748 www.tricareonline.com

Hours:

- Clinics: Monday to Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

- Pharmacy: Monday to Friday, 7 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Member Program (EFMP)

(301) 677-8435

National Naval Medical Center

Wisconsin Ave. Bethesda, Md.

(301) 295-2273

Annapolis

250 Wood Rd. Annapolis, Md.

Information desk/primary care (410) 293-2061/3612

Civilian Facilities:

Anne Arundel Medical Center

2001 Medical Parkway

Laurel Regional Hospital

7300 Van Dusen Road

Laurel, Md.

(301) 725-4300 or (410) 792-2270

- Baltimore Washington Medical Center

301 Hospital Drive

Glen Burnie, Md.



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Family Services

The Fleet and Family Support Center (FFSC):

For more information please call 301-677-9017. Classes are open to all DOD ID cardholders (active duty, retirees, family members, DOD Civilian and contractors).

Registration is required. The Fleet and Family Support Center (FFSC) is located at 2212 Chisholm Ave., Ft. Meade MD 20755



For all additional
information please call
(301) 677-9014/9017.

Army Community Services (ACS):

For more information please call 301-677-5590. Classes are open to all DOD ID cardholders (active duty, retirees, family members, DOD Civilian and contractors).

Registration is required. Army Community Services (ACS) is located at 830 Chisholm Ave., Ft. Meade MD 20755



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