



**Navy Child and Youth Programs
COVID-19 National Emergency
ESSENTIAL CHILDCARE DECLARATION**

In the midst of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) national emergency, Navy Child and Youth Programs has implemented contingency operating levels in order to provide essential childcare services while protecting the health, safety, and welfare of our families, their children, and our professionals.

The Centers for Disease Control advises one of the keys to slowing the spread of COVID-19 is to limit contact with other individuals as much as possible, otherwise referred to as “social distancing”.

In accordance with the Centers for Disease Control recommended guidance, if you *do not* have a requirement to use Navy childcare during this emergency, self-care at home is a necessity. This social distancing effort not only protects you and your child/ren’s safety, but also the safety of other children, their families, and our professionals who have no other childcare options. **During this emergency, all parent fees will be waived, and your space will be saved.**

As an additional heightened measure, Navy Child and Youth Programs now requires all families who cannot self-care for their own children to self-certify child care is required. This requirement includes respective Command endorsement. This measure is required to ensure Navy Child and Youth Programs provides childcare for those families that are truly unable to self-care for their children at home during this crisis.

All enrolled families who require childcare at one of our Child and Youth Programs (Child Development Center, School Age Care/Youth Center and/or Child Development Home) shall complete the below and return to the Childcare/Youth Center front desk or Child Development Home Provider on or before **Monday, March 30, 2020**, during your child/ren’s drop off.

SPONSOR INFORMATION	
SPONSOR NAME: (Last Name, First Name)	COMMAND NAME:
ENROLLED CHILD/REN NAME/S: (Last Name, First Name)	
I certify that I have a childcare requirement during the Navy’s childcare program operating hours. All members of my household are unable to self-care for my child(ren) during the COVID-19 national emergency:	
SPONSOR SIGNATURE:	

SPONSOR COMMAND ENDORSEMENT
I concur with the Sponsor’s self-assessment and this childcare requirement is mission essential:
COMMAND REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE:
COMMAND REPRESENTATIVE NAME: (Last Name, First Name)
COMMAND REPRESENTATIVE PHONE AND EMAIL:

(Authorized Command Representative = Senior Enlisted, DIVDIR, Executive or Commanding Officer)