

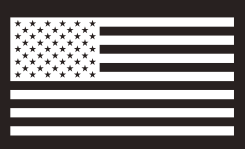
FORT CAVAZOS

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Schools/Healthcare/Community



Soldiers and Their Families



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Education and Schools

1. Killeen Independent School District (KISD)

- The primary district for families living on or near Fort Cavazos.
- Offers a mix of elementary, middle, and high schools, including some located directly on post.
- Known for its diverse student population and strong support systems for military children.
- Explore school listings and district maps on the [KISD website](#).

2. Copperas Cove Independent School District (CCISD)

- Serves families living in Copperas Cove, a neighboring city.
- Recognized for its academic programs, extracurricular activities, and community involvement.
- Learn more at the [CCISD website](#).

3. Harker Heights Schools (Part of KISD)

- Located in the Harker Heights area, these schools are celebrated for high performance and modern facilities.
- A great option for families looking for a suburban setting near Fort Cavazos.

On-Post School Options

Several KISD schools are conveniently located on Fort Cavazos, ensuring easy access for families living on post:

- Clarke Elementary School
- Venable Village Elementary School
- Audie Murphy Middle School
- Smith Middle School

Families residing on post are zoned to these schools, providing an efficient and supportive educational experience for military children.

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Higher Education

Colleges and Universities Nearby



Central Texas College

- Located in Killeen, CTC offers associate degree programs and technical certifications.
- Highly flexible for military students, with on-campus and online classes available.



Texas A&M University-Central Texas

- A public university offering undergraduate and graduate degree programs.
- Located in Killeen, it provides tailored support for military members and their families.



University of Mary Hardin-Baylor (UMHB)

- A private university in Belton, about 30 minutes from Fort Cavazos.
- Known for strong programs in nursing, education, and business.

Online Education Options

- Many universities offer robust online programs for military members, such as:
 - American Military University (AMU)
 - University of Phoenix
 - Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU)
- Flexible scheduling allows Soldiers to balance education with their duties.

SPECIAL EDUCATION RESOURCES



SUPPORT PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN WITH UNIQUE NEEDS

KILLEEN ISD SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES

- Comprehensive support for students with disabilities, including Individualized Education Programs (IEPs), 504 Plans, and therapy services (speech, occupational, and physical).
- Contact the KISD Special Education Department for assistance.

MILITARY CHILD EDUCATION COALITION (MCEC)

- Offers guidance for military families navigating special education needs.
- Provides workshops, resources, and advocacy for Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) families.

EFMP SUPPORT AT FORT CAVAZOS

- The EFMP office helps families access on-post and community resources for children with special needs.
- Contact the EFMP Coordinator through the Army Community Service (ACS) office.





TIMELINES TO CONSIDER

School Enrollment Documentation Required

Proof of Residency:

- Lease agreement, utility bill, or housing assignment letter.

Student Records:

- Previous school transcripts or report cards.
- Withdrawal paperwork from the previous school, if applicable

Immunization Records:

- Ensure vaccinations are up to date according to Texas state requirements.

Birth Certificate:

- Provide an official copy of the child's birth certificate.

Parent/Guardian ID:

- Valid government-issued identification

Military Orders:

- PCS orders showing Fort Cavazos as the new duty station.

Special Education Documents (if applicable):

- Copies of IEPs, 504 Plans, or other documentation to ensure continuity of services.

Timelines to Consider

Early Contact:

- Reach out to schools 30–60 days before your move to start the enrollment process

School Registration Windows:

- Many schools in KISD and surrounding districts have specific registration periods before the start of the school year.
- Mid-year enrollments are typically accommodated due to PCS moves.

Enrollment Assistance:

- Fort Cavazos School Liaison Office:
 - Provides support with school transitions, enrollment questions, and education advocacy.
 - Contact the School Liaison Officer (SLO) through Army Community Service.



HEALTHCARE SERVICES

Military Treatment Facilities

Fort Cavazos is home to Carl R. Darnall Army Medical Center (CRDAMC), providing comprehensive medical and dental care for active-duty service members, families, and retirees. The facility offers:

- Primary Care & Family Medicine
- Specialty Clinics (cardiology, dermatology, etc.)
- Women's Health & Pediatrics
- On-Post Dental Clinics for routine and specialty dental care.

TRICARE Enrollment

TRICARE covers active-duty members, families, and retirees. To enroll or update your coverage:

1. Visit [TRICARE.mil](https://www.tricare.mil) to check eligibility.
2. Choose a plan (Prime, Select, or Remote).
3. Update DEERS at an ID card office or online via MilConnect.
4. Find in-network providers through Humana Military (East Region).



HEALTHCARE SERVICES

Emergency Care

For emergencies, call 911 or go to:

- CRDAMC Emergency Room (on-post, 24/7 care)
- AdventHealth Central Texas (Killeen, 10 min from post)
- Baylor Scott & White Medical Center (Temple, 30 min away)
- For urgent care, TRICARE Prime members can visit approved urgent care centers without a referral.

Specialty Services

Fort Cavazos offers a range of specialty services, including:

- Behavioral Health & Counseling (CRDAMC Mental Health Clinic, Family Advocacy Program)
- Physical Therapy & Rehabilitation
- Substance Abuse & Wellness Programs
- Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) for families with special medical needs

For appointments and more info, call CRDAMC at (254) 288-8000 or visit their website.



CHILDCARE AND FAMILY SUPPORT



Child Development Centers (CDCs)

Fort Cavazos offers multiple Child Development Centers (CDCs) providing high-quality care for children ages 6 weeks to 5 years. These centers focus on early childhood education, social development, and school readiness.

- **Locations:** Various CDCs are available across the installation.
 McNair Child Development Center (Phone: (254) 287-8771 Website: [McNair CDC Information](#))
 Kouma Child Development Center (Phone: (254) 285-6017 Website: [Kouma CDC Information](#))
- **Programs:** Full-day, part-day, and hourly care options.
- **Registration:** Begin by registering through [MilitaryChildCare.com](https://militarychildcare.com), the Department of Defense's online portal for military child care.

Required Documents:

Proof of Eligibility: A valid military ID card.

Immunization Records: Up-to-date vaccination records for your child.

Income Verification: Documents such as Leave and Earnings Statements (LES) to determine fee categories.

Special Needs Documentation: If applicable, provide any relevant documents like Individualized Education Programs (IEP) or medical action plans.

Parent Central Services:

After completing the online registration, visit the Parent Central Services office for further assistance and to finalize enrollment.

Address: Shoemaker Lane, Building 36000, 1st Floor, Room 101, Fort Cavazos, TX 76544

Phone: (254) 287-8029

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

Website: [Parent Central Services](#)

For more detailed information, you can visit the [Fort Cavazos Child & Youth Services \(CYS\) website](#) or contact the Parent Central Services office directly.



CHILDCARE AND FAMILY SUPPORT



Family Readiness Groups (FRGs)

FRGs provide a support network for military families, offering:

- Social connections and community events
- Updates on unit activities and deployments
- Resources for family resilience and well-being
- To get involved, contact your Soldier's unit FRG leader or visit the Army Community Service (ACS) office.

Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP)

The EFMP assists military families with special medical or educational needs by providing:

- Coordinated healthcare and educational support
- Assistance with PCS moves and school transitions
- Family support groups and workshops
- Enrollment is required for families with special needs. Visit the EFMP office on post or call (254) 287-6070 for more details.

Youth Programs

Fort Cavazos Youth Services (CYS) offers activities for children ages 6-18, including:

- Sports leagues (soccer, basketball, baseball, etc.)
- Clubs & STEM programs (4-H, robotics, arts)
- Teen Centers with recreation and leadership opportunities
- Enrollment is through Parent Central Services, and fees are based on income.

For more information, visit [CYS Parent Central Services](#) or call (254) 287-8029.



RECOMMENDATIONS FOR

Recreation & Amenities

Outdoor Activities

Belton Lake Outdoor Recreation Area (BLORA)

- Address: Cottage Road, Building NAF 126, Fort Cavazos, TX 76544
- Contact: (254) 287-2523 or (254) 287-8303
- Website: [BLORA - Fort Cavazos MWR](#)

Activities:

- Boating & Fishing: Access to boat ramps and fishing spots.
- Hiking & Biking: Trails suitable for various skill levels.
- Camping: Options include cottage rentals, RV sites, and tent camping.
- Water Park: Seasonal swimming areas and splash parks.
- Reservations:
- Camping & Cottages: Reservations are recommended.
- Pavilion Rentals: Available for group events; booking in advance is advised.

Dana Peak Park

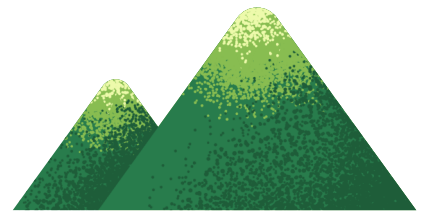
- Address: 3800 Comanche Gap Road, Harker Heights, TX 76548
- Contact: (254) 939-2461
- Website: [Dana Peak Park - U.S. Army Corps of Engineers](#)

Activities:

- Hiking & Biking: Scenic trails with lake views.
- Wildlife Viewing: Opportunities to observe local fauna.
- Boating & Fishing: Boat ramps and fishing areas available.
- Picnicking: Designated areas with grills.

Reservations:

- Camping: Reservations can be made via [Recreation.gov](#).
- Day-Use Facilities: Generally first-come, first-served; pavilions may require booking.



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Outdoor Activities

Chalk Ridge Falls Park

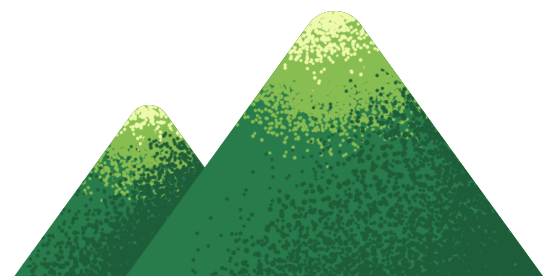
- Address: 5600 FM1670, Belton, TX 76513
- Contact: (254) 939-2461
- Website: [Chalk Ridge Falls Park - TripAdvisor](#)

Activities:

- Hiking: Trails featuring a suspension bridge and waterfalls.
- Wildlife Viewing: Rich biodiversity along the trails.
- Picnicking: Scenic spots available.

Reservations:

- General Use: No reservations required; open to the public.



Stillhouse Hollow Lake

- Address: 3740 FM 1670, Belton, TX 76513
- Contact: (254) 939-2461
- Website: [Stillhouse Hollow Lake - U.S. Army Corps of Engineers](#)

Activities:

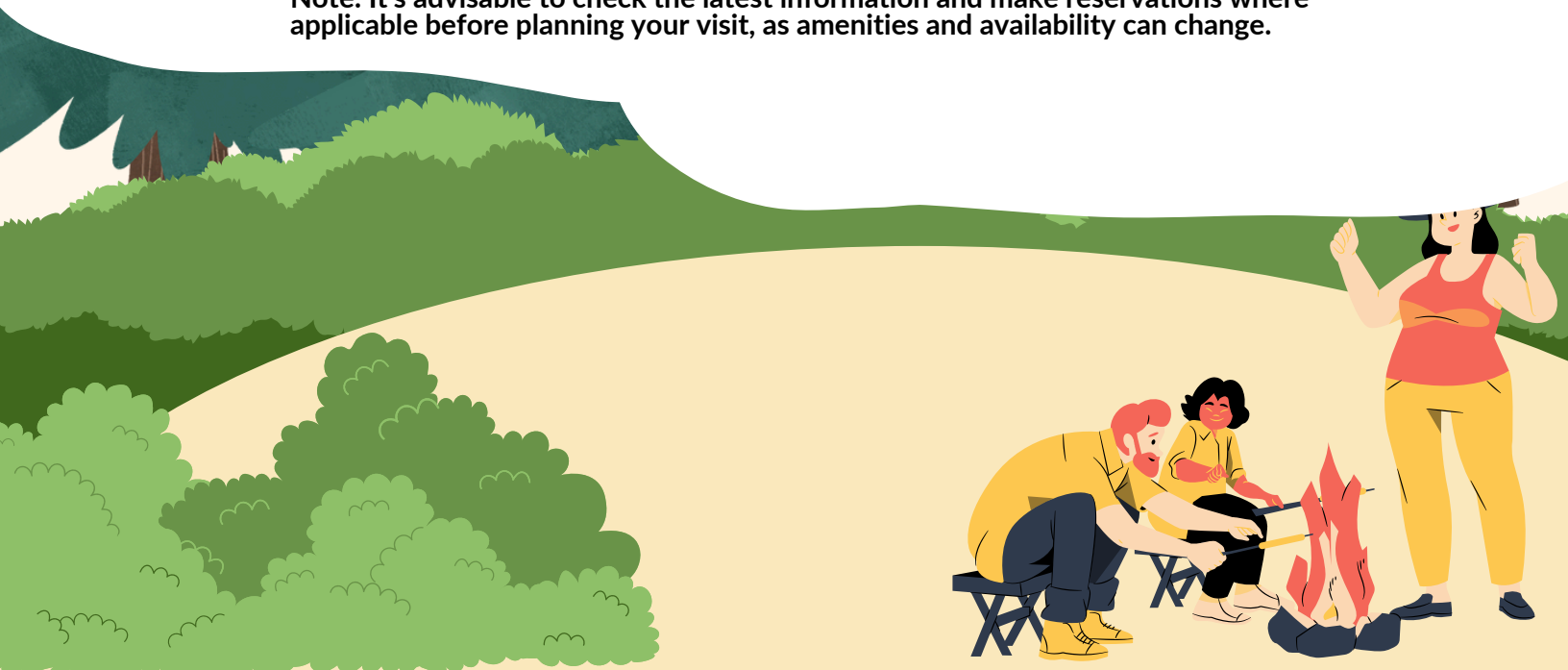
- Kayaking & Swimming: Clear waters ideal for water activities.
- Picnicking: Areas equipped with tables and grills.
- Fishing: Popular spots around the lake.

Reservations:

- Camping: Reservations can be made via [Recreation.gov](#).
- Day-Use Areas: Typically first-come, first-served.



Note: It's advisable to check the latest information and make reservations where applicable before planning your visit, as amenities and availability can change.





SPORTS AND FITNESS

GYMS

STARKER PHYSICAL FITNESS CENTER

- ADDRESS: BUILDING 87010,
OLD IRONSIDES AVENUE,
FORT CAVAZOS, TX 76544
- PHONE: (254) 287-9639

HARVEY PHYSICAL FITNESS CENTER:

- ADDRESS: BUILDING 31006,
73RD STREET, FORT
CAVAZOS, TX 76544
- PHONE: (254) 287-0194





SPORTS AND FITNESS

INTRAMURAL SPORTS

PROGRAMS: FORT CAVAZOS OFFERS INTRAMURAL LEAGUES IN SPORTS SUCH AS BASKETBALL, SOFTBALL, SOCCER, AND MORE, FOSTERING CAMARADERIE AMONG SOLDIERS AND FAMILIES.

- CONTACT: FOR SCHEDULES AND REGISTRATION, VISIT THE FORT CAVAZOS MWR INTRAMURAL SPORTS PAGE OR CALL (254) 286-5178.

POOLS

LOCATIONS: VARIOUS LOCATIONS ON POST; AMENITIES INCLUDE RECREATIONAL SWIMMING AREAS AND SPLASH PADS FOR FAMILIES.



DINING & SHOPPING

From delicious local eats to top shopping destinations, Fort Cavazos and the surrounding areas have everything you need! Enjoy mouthwatering meals at family-owned favorites, grab great deals at Clear Creek PX & Commissary, or indulge in a shopping spree at Market Heights. Whether you're looking for a quick bite or a day of retail therapy, there's something for everyone!



Dining & Shopping

- Local Favorites:
 - Killeen:
 - Big Burrito Mexican Fast Food: Known for authentic Mexican cuisine.
 - Banh Mi Boys: Offers Vietnamese sandwiches and street food.
 - Harker Heights:
 - Opa's Schnitzel Hut: Specializes in German dishes.
 - Acropolis Greek Cuisine: Serves traditional Greek fare.

- Clear Creek PX & Commissary:

Offerings: Provides a wide range of products, including groceries, electronics, clothing, and household items, with tax-free shopping and military discounts.

Market Heights Shopping Center:

- Address: 201 E Central Texas Expy, Harker Heights, TX 76548
- Phone: (254) 690-3457
- Website: [Market Heights Shopping Center](#)
- Highlights:
 - Retailers: Target, Ross, Dick's Sporting Goods, and more.
 - Dining: Cheddar's, Chick-fil-A, Genghis Grill, and others.
 - Entertainment: Various events and seasonal activities; check the website for current offerings.



CULTURAL & HISTORICAL SITES

Explore the rich heritage of Fort Cavazos through its cultural and historical landmarks! From the 1st Cavalry Division Museum to the Fort Hood Memorial Park, every site honors the legacy of our military.

1st Cavalry Division Museum:

- Address: Building 2218, 56th Street and Battalion Avenue, Fort Cavazos, TX 76544
- Phone: (254) 287-3626
- Hours: Tuesday to Saturday, 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM; Closed on Sundays, Mondays, and Federal Holidays
- Exhibits: Showcases artifacts, vehicles, and exhibits detailing the history of the 1st Cavalry Division from its inception to present day.

Fort Hood Memorial Park:

- Address: 17033 FM 1670, Belton, TX 76513
- Phone: (254) 534-0291
- Hours: Open daily from dawn to dusk
- Features: Dedicated to honoring soldiers who have served at Fort Cavazos, featuring memorials, plaques, and a serene environment for reflection.

Mayborn Science Theater:

- Address: 6200 W Central Texas Expy, Killeen, TX 76549
- Phone: (254) 526-1800
- Website: [Mayborn Science Theater](#)

