

# **NAVAL AIR STATION**

## **SIGONELLA**

### **Navy Child and Youth Programs Resource and Referral**

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## **NAS Sigonella**

### **Resource and Referral**

#### **Child Development Centers (CDC)**

Commercial 095.56.3736 or DSN 314.624.3736.

Hours of Operation - Monday through Friday, 6:00 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Ages: 6 weeks to 5 years of age

#### **Programs Offered**

The Child Development Centers offer a variety of programs.

Full-time and hourly care is available for ages six weeks to 5 years of age before enrollment in Kindergarten. All education technicians are trained in CPR and first aid, and in developmentally appropriate practices.

The Child Development Center provides

- Full-time Child Care for Infants to Preschool
- Hourly Childcare
- Indoc Childcare
- qualified and caring staff
- nutritionally sound meals
- age-appropriate programming

INDOC Care is free for new arrivals needing drop-in hourly care from 7:30 am to 4:30 pm on weekdays by reservation and space available. Call for details.

Sigonella Child Development Center is accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children.

#### **School Age Care (SAC)**

Commercial 095.56.3712 or DSN 314.624.3712.

#### **Hours of Operation:**

SAC program is open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 6:00am - 7:30am and 2:30 pm - 6:30 pm. Thursday SAC is open from 6:00am - 7:30am and 2:30pm - 6:30pm. Saturday and Sunday the program is closed. During the school vacations, excluding federal holidays, Camp SAC is a full day of recreation programs, 6:00 am - 6:30 pm.

The SAC program for school aged children, Kindergarten -12 years of age, provides quality care before and after school, as well as a full-day camp during the winter, spring and summer breaks. The SAC program is aligned with the Boys and Girls Clubs of America. The goal of SAC is to introduce children to wholesome recreational activities and to the pleasure of Sicily's beautiful outdoors. Activities include storytelling, sports, arts and crafts, bowling, swimming, field trips, special guests and special events. Children are divided into age groups. During the school year, SAC is a Before/After school recreational program. Students are escorted to and from the elementary school.

Sigonella School Age Care (SAC) is accredited by The Council on Accreditation (COA)

### **Youth Complex**

Commercial: 095.86.1747 or DSN 314.624.1747

#### Hours of operation:

Monday-Wednesday 3:00pm-7:00pm, Thursday 2:00pm -7:00pm, and Friday 3:00pm-10:00pm. During School Breaks the facility is open daily from 12:00-6:00 pm.

The Youth Complex is a safe place for youth and teens to spend time after school. We offer Boys and Girls Club of America programming as well 4-H activities. Our Senior and Junior Leadership Clubs plan Teen Outreach events and parties throughout the year. Youth also take part in quarterly community service projects planned by the Youth Complex. Open Rec activities include playing video games, watching movies, creating art or music in our activity rooms. The Youth Complex is fully equipped with the gaming systems, big screen TVs, computers, table games, musical instruments, and more! Join us for one of our excursions into town and see what Sicily has to offer!

The Sigonella Youth Complex is in Marinai Housing and serves youth ages 11 in the 6<sup>th</sup> grade through 18 years of age and in high school.

### **Youth Sports and Fitness (YSF)**

The MWR Youth Sports Program offers a variety of organized sporting and recreational activities that promote the psychological, social and physical well-being of youths. MWR provides the staff, equipment and playing areas necessary to facilitate the athletic and recreational development of children.

Team Sports Such as

- baseball, softball, soccer, basketball, flag football, cheerleading

Individual Challenges

- 1k-3k fun runs, mini-triathlons, swimming events, fitness clinics

Following a skills assessment, players are divided into teams, which are chosen to be as fair and equal as possible regarding age and skill levels. Parental involvement and volunteerism is a key aspect of our program! We hold clinics to train coaches and officials.

For more information on Youth Sports and Fitness please contact the CDC, SAC or Youth Complex.

### **Fleet and Family Support Center- Bldg. 319 NAS I**

Commercial: 095.56.4291 or DSN 314.624.4291

#### Hours of Operation

Mon - Tue / Thu - Fri 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Wed 7:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Sat and Sun - closed Holidays – closed

Military and Family Support Centers provide information, education and support programs to help balance the demands of military life. The Military and Family Support Center should be one of your first stops once you arrive at a new installation to connect with key programs, services and support systems. Programs and services may vary across services and installations.

Information and Referral

**School Liaison Officer** Bldg: 216 NAS I

Hours of Operation:

Mon - Fri: 0730 – 1630 Sat, Sun & Holidays: CLOSED

Phone-+39.095.56.3732

DSN-314. 624.3732

Email- [CYP\\_Sigonella@eu.navy.mil](mailto:CYP_Sigonella@eu.navy.mil)

The School Liaison Officer has the intent to level the playing field for transitioning military children and youth. SLO's will help prepare students, parents, schools and Navy leaders respond to permanent-change-of-station (PCS) and deployment issues impacting school-age children. They will help Navy families be the best "advocates" for their child's education. SLO's will work closely with local school personnel to identify and resolve issues that impact transitioning military students and will serve as a link between military families and schools during in and out-processing periods and deployments. To make the connection, CYP will work very closely with Fleet and Family Support providing deployment support, counseling and advocacy, relocation assistance and ombudsman support. SLO's will also link with services and programs delivered to Navy families in the Exceptional Family Member Program. They will be the primary advisor to commanding officers and staff on matters relating to schools serving the installation.

## **EDUCATIONAL AND DEVELOPMENT INTERVENTION SERVICE (EDIS)**

### **U.S. NAVAL HOSPITAL, SIGONELLA**

DSN: 624-4536    COMM: 095.56.4536    From U.S. 39.011.095.56.4536.

FAX: 624-4533    COMM: 095.56.4533    From U.S. 39.011.095.56.4533

### **Early Intervention Program Mission**

- To Identify and treat children with developmental delays or disabilities
- To provide parent support and service coordination to children receiving early intervention services
- To collaborate with local agencies to address issues facing families with young children

### **EDIS Team**

- **Clinical Child Psychologist**- Specializes in psychological and social-emotional development.
- **Early Intervention Specialist/Intake Coordinator**- Specializes in behavioral and cognitive development.
- **Occupational Therapist**- Specializes in fine motor skills, overall sensory-motor skills and self-help skills.
- **Physical Therapist**- Specializes in gross motor and sensory-motor skills.
- **Speech-Language Pathologist**- Specializes in speech and language development, listening skills and feeding abilities.

**Sigonella Elementary School**  
**Naval Air Station Sigonella**  
PSC 824 Box 08  
FPO, AE 09623-0001  
**Phone:** 39-095-56-4406  
**DSN Phone:** 361-624-4406  
**From US:** 011-39-095-56-4406

**Sigonella Elementary School-** Serves students in grades Sure Start through 5<sup>th</sup>. Enrollment-415

**About our School-** <http://www.dodea.edu/SigonellaES/index.cfm>

Sigonella Elementary School, formally Stephen Decatur Elementary School, opened on Naval Air Station (NAS) Sigonella in March of 1961. In 2008, a brand new school was built to replace the old building.



### **Curriculum & Programs**

In keeping with the DoDEA mission to provide an exemplary education that inspires and prepares all our students for success in a dynamic, global environment, the DoDEA Curriculum Content Standards and the Community Strategic Plan (CSP) provide the framework for academic excellence. Our curriculum translates the standards in to a sequenced series of statements about what students will learn through their school experiences.

Additional information pertaining to DoDEA programs and standards can be found by visiting the DoDEA Curriculum Programs page <http://www.dodea.edu/Curriculum/index.cfm>

### **Courses**

All students receive instruction in the following curriculum area daily:

Language Arts/Reading

Mathematics

Social Studies

Science

Health

### **Special Subjects for all Students**

Host Nation

Physical Education

Health Education

Art

Music

### **Special Programs**

Special Education

English as a Second Language

Read 180

## **How to register your child/children:**

Visit the registrar's office upon arriving in-country and pick-up a registration packet or download one from the below "Registration Packets" section and provide to the registrar's office.

### **Registration Packets**

Upload all the necessary document prior to your arrive to the following website: New Incoming Student

<http://www.dodea.edu/DORS>

**IMPORTANT:** It is necessary for the sponsor or spouse to come to the school office to complete registration for students.

### **Admission Requirements**

Parents enrolling students are required to furnish the following:

#### **Mandatory to begin attendance:**

Proof of sponsor's overseas status (Orders, verification of employment etc.)

Proof of sponsor/dependent connection (Child listed on orders, birth certificate, etc.)

Proof of a new DEROS as applicable

Tuition paid in advance if applicable

Verification of minimal age requirement for Sure Start, Kindergarten and 1st grade students (PCS Orders, Birth certificate or passport)

**Note: Children entering Sure Start, Kindergarten, First Grade must be 4, 5 and 6 years old respectively on/before September 1. Minimal Age Requirement Policy**

Also required: (The below documents ARE required but will not keep a students from starting school.)

### **Immunization records - DoDEA Form 2942.0-M-F3**

[http://www.dodea.edu/StudentServices/upload/DoDEA-Immunization-Requirements-SY-2016\\_17.pdf](http://www.dodea.edu/StudentServices/upload/DoDEA-Immunization-Requirements-SY-2016_17.pdf)

Copy of previous school records, including report cards and other academic records such as reading and math records (as applicable)

Copy of standardized test scores if applicable

Copy of Individual Education Plan (IEP) if applicable

# **Sure Start Program**

## **Sure Start Application:**

[http://www.dodea.edu/Europe/south/upload/SureStart\\_ApplicationV3.pdf](http://www.dodea.edu/Europe/south/upload/SureStart_ApplicationV3.pdf)

## **What Is Sure Start?**

Sure Start (also referred to as SS in this text) is an exemplary, research-based preschool program that serves military children and families living overseas. In addition to offering a high-quality Educational program that reflects best practices in the field, Sure Start also provides health and nutrition, social, and parent involvement services. Close collaboration between families, schools, and the installation community is viewed as essential and a required part of the program.

This multipronged approach to the delivery of services distinguishes Sure Start from all other DoDEA programs. At the same time, Sure Start ensures that participating children receive the same uncompromisingly excellent education that all DoDEA children are guaranteed.

Sure Start's comprehensive model, although appropriate for all preschool children, targets preschoolers who are "at risk" for later school failure because of economic circumstance or other health and/or family factors. Because this innovative, effective model is expensive to replicate, it is reserved for those children and families who will most benefit from participation in the program. As its name implies, Sure Start is dedicated to providing participating children with a sure start in school and later life.

## **Philosophy**

As noted, DoDEA believes that with a sure start, children in all military families can develop the social/emotional and academic competence needed for productive, lifelong learning. The Sure Start preschool program is based on the premise that children's potential for learning is influenced by their early cultural, physical, social, emotional, linguistic, creative, and cognitive Experiences.

Because children who are identified as being at risk for school failure may have limited access to opportunities that enhance development in all domains, Sure Start provides children and families with an intensive curriculum that teaches requisite skills in a way that addresses children's unique learning styles and intelligences. The Sure Start program is wedded to the beliefs that risk not destiny and that early intervention can ameliorate risk factors.

In summary, Sure Start staff and administrators believe the following:

- All children benefit from early experiences that are supportive of their ages and developmental capabilities, individual needs, and cultures.
- All children must have a healthy start in life in order to be ready to learn. All children learn best when provided with a safe and nurturing environment at home and at school.
- From the earliest age, children need to be exposed to rich experiences in language and literacy, mathematics, science, social studies, the arts, technology, and physical education so that maximum advantage can be made of the "windows of opportunity" for learning, as described by brain research.



**Eligibility:**

Sure Start's first responsibility is to the 4-year-old child (the child who turns 4 by September 1 of the enrolling school year of a military or eligible Department of Defense employee whose rank is Enlisted (E) E1 to E4; General Schedule (GS) GS1 to GS4; or Non Appropriated Fund (NAF), NAF 1 to NAF 2, \*rank equivalent at the date of application. (Note that the application date is not to exceed six months before the first day of the following school year.) It is important to note that only the sponsor's rank is used to determine eligibility—not family income, unless it is used to determine rank equivalents for NAF Levels 1-4 or rank equivalent GS1- GS9. Any sponsor in the range of E5 to E9, GS5 to GS9 (\*\*NSPS pay band 1, rank equivalent), or NAF 3-4, rank equivalent who wishes to apply for the program is eligible to do so with the understanding that first priority is given to those children whose sponsor is in the E1 to E4, GS1 to GS4 or NAF 1 to NAF 2, rank equivalent range.

**THERE ARE TWO SURE START CLASSES WITH UP TO 18 CHILDREN IN EACH CLASS PRESENTLY AT SIGONELLA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.**

**Preschool Services for Children with Disabilities (PSCD)**

Preschool Services for Children with Disabilities offers eligible young children with disabilities specially designed instruction, support, and services to meet their identified individualized learning needs. Current adopted DoDEA College and Career Ready Standards and curriculum materials for preschool are used to support the implementation of each child's Individualized Education Program (IEP). Curriculum and instruction includes focus on development of individual skills such as: expressive/receptive communication, language development, motor skills, and social skill development.

The purpose of special education services is to enable students to successfully develop to their fullest potential by providing a free appropriate public education in compliance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) as implemented by DoD Instruction 1342.12, "Provision of Early Intervention and Special Education Services to Eligible DoD Dependents."

**ENROLLMENT ELIGIBILITY**

Preschool Services for Children with Disabilities are provided for children three to five years of age who demonstrate an unexpected delay in developmental functioning when compared with the functioning of a nondisabled child of the same chronological age or have been identified as having a specific disability. Eligibility for PSCD is determined through a comprehensive evaluation process that includes standardized evaluation instruments and is confirmed by observations and professional judgment of early intervention or related services professionals.



**Sigonella Middle/High School**  
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**Sigonella Middle/High School-** is a Department of Defense Dependents School (DoDDS) serving grades 6-12 with a population of 326 students, located at the United States Naval Air Station (NAS) Sigonella, in Sicily, Italy. The base is situated in a large agricultural valley about 12 kilometers from Sicily's east coast near the city of Catania. To the north, Mount Etna, a 3,300 meter high active volcanic peak, makes a scenic backdrop for the base. The majority of our students are Navy command sponsored, with a normal tour of duty of three years. We have approximately 30 % turnover in student population each year due to military reassignment.

Our students are enriched by American and Italian cultures and have opportunities to travel throughout Europe for academic and athletic competitions. Our diverse American population is comprised of representatives from the 50 United States, as well as students from Germany and Norway. SMHS is an American high school in many ways, but is unique and different from the stateside schools as reflected in our extracurricular and special program offerings. Sigonella students reflect this uniqueness through their diversity and global viewpoint.



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Please choose the packet that fits your student's situation, these forms are fillable. Once completed print and return to the school your family is zoned for.

New Incoming Student- [www.dodea.edu/DORS](http://www.dodea.edu/DORS)

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**Child Care Aware® of America-** <https://usa.childcareaware.org/fee-assistancerespite/>

Child Care Aware® of America works with more than 400 state and local Child Care Resource and Referral agencies nationwide. To achieve our mission, our organization leads projects that increase the quality and availability of child care, undertakes research, and advocates child care policies that positively impact the lives of children and families.

## **Our Vision**

Every family in the United States has access to a high-quality, affordable child care system. The child care system supports children's growth, development and educational advancement and creates a positive economic impact for families and communities.

## **Our Mission**

We advance a child care system that effectively serves all children and families.

Our work is strengthened by a national network of child care resource and referral agencies and diverse members and partners.

## **OFF INSTALLATION OPTIONS**

\*The following is provided solely for informational purposes, and is not meant as an endorsement of any non-federal entity or private party. Navy CYP is not responsible for the actions of or information provided by third parties. If necessary, personnel are encouraged to seek individualized legal advice concerning host nation law from the local Region Legal Service Office.\*

### **L'arcobaleno Marinai – Marinai Housing Area**

Phone: 095 518.3325

DSN: 624-1748

Ages: 0-18 years

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/larcobalenomarinai/>

#### **Hours of Operation**

Monday – Thursday 7am-5:30pm

Friday 7am – 10pm

We offer a high quality services such as Day Care and Pre-school for all Sigs Kids. Come to visit us in Marinai - Sigonella, Community Center Building.

Our Staff is high qualified with the First AID certification. The entire facility is covered by video surveillance to have under control all activities.

### **L'angolo Di Dodo' School – via Sandro Ruiz N S, 95040, Motta Sant'Anastasia**

Phone: +39 339 581 7331 **or** +39 339 459 7491

Ages: 1-5 years

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Langolo-Di-Dodo-School/140915959348923>

#### **Hours of Operation**

Monday- Friday 6am- 5pm

\*Babysitting services can be provided upon request

### **Baby Jungle Scuola Materna Paritaria\_ - via G.Grasso - 95040 - Motta Sant'Anastasia**

Phone: 095-226-4265

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Baby-Jungle-scuola-materna-paritaria-161853860857576/>

Ages: 1-6 years

#### **Hours of Operation**

Monday – Friday 7am-7pm

The Baby Jungle parental nursery school is born of love for children and the desire to teach, which translates into passion, care and attention

**Trilly Infanzia-** Via Roma, 255, 95030 Mascalucia CT

Phone: 095 727 6458

Ages 3 months – 5 years

Website: <http://www.trilly-infanzia.it/>

Hours of Operation

Monday – Friday 7:30am-6:30pm Saturday 7:30am- 1:00pm

In safe and compliant environments under all safety standards, organized and structured spaces to promote the child's achievements and to enhance his personal experiences.

The materials and furnishings, present in the structure, have been designed to favor the different types of game. Through the various activities, the aim is to support the progressive conquest of autonomy, promote socialization, solidarity, cooperation and expressiveness of the child, stimulating all its potential by promoting an autonomous learning strategy.

In a continuum, respecting the programs and the different stages of growth, the Trillini will be more than ready for access to elementary school.

**Betty's School-** via Luigi la Ferlita, 6, 95123 Catania CT

Phone: 095.714.1285 Ages: 0-11 years

Website: <http://www.bettyschool.it/>

Monday – Friday 07:30am -07:30pm SATURDAY EXTRA SERVICE

Language: Italian, English and Spanish

The Trilogue Betzy School is aimed at accompanying children and their families in a unitary educational, training and recreational pathway from the Micro-Nursery school to the childhood school from primary school services up to 11 years of age. The school emphasizes important principles of growth, enhancing the ' autonomy, the' education for social life, the responsible choice and the international dimensions of learning.