



REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

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US ARMY INSTALLATION MANAGEMENT COMMAND
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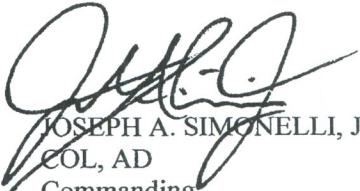
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MEMORANDUM FOR PARTICIPANTS OF FORT BLISS FACILITIES

SUBJECT: Use of Physical Fitness Centers by Youth

1. Reference: AR 215-1, Military Morale, Welfare, and Recreation Programs and Nonappropriated Fund Instrumentalities, 31 July 2007.
2. Per AR 215-1, paragraph 8-20 (d), all participants at Fort Bliss facilities will conduct themselves in a reasonable, responsible, and prudent manner per facility rules and regulations. Youth may use adult indoor physical fitness centers only under the following provisions:
 - a. Youth use will not displace Soldier programs.
 - b. Children 16 years and older may use the all equipment and facilities in the Physical Fitness Centers.
 - c. Children 13-15 years of age may use all areas of the Physical Fitness Center as long as they are under the direct supervision of their parent or guardian.
 - d. Children 12 years old and under may not use mechanical cardiovascular equipment, strength, or sauna areas at any time.
 - e. As a Family member, children and youth (12 years old and under), not otherwise prohibited in paragraph (d), must be actively participating in the same activity and under the direct supervision of a parent or guardian. I define direct supervision as "within arm's length".
 - f. Youth must be a participant in a special program, organized and conducted by Child, Youth and School Services, schools, or other authorized youth organizations.
3. Children of kindergarten age and older will use sex appropriate showers, lockers, and bathrooms.
4. Youth Services has their own fitness equipment more age-appropriate for children. This includes: cardiovascular equipment, free weights, selectorized equipment and dumb bells. For more information contact Rene Nava, Youth Services Director at Youth Services, Building 195 or call (915) 568-2908.
5. My point of contact is Eric Hildreth, Assistant Community Recreation Division Chief, at (915) 744-2415.


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