



Connecting Navy & DoD Affiliated Families with Early Childhood Resources

A quick guide to early years options for families in Chinhae and Busan, South Korea



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Welcome to Korea



Hello and welcome to Korea!

My name is **LaChelle Carr** and I am the **CYP Director and School Liaison Officer** assigned to the **CFA Chinhae CYP!**

My experiences working with CYP has given me the opportunity to become familiar with the military lifestyles and changes families undergo on a daily basis.

My current role as the **CYP Director and School Liaison Officer** provides an opportunity that promotes positive growth and development & influences the overall health of children in military families. Whether you and your family are moving to metropolitan Busan or scenic & peaceful Chinhae, you are never too far from our Navy community. The process of moving your children and spouse across the world is tough enough as it is, so the goal of this guide is to help relieve some of that stress and to provide some tools to promote a smooth, seamless transition to Korea.

I hope that you will find this guide useful in selecting a childcare option to support your children's needs.

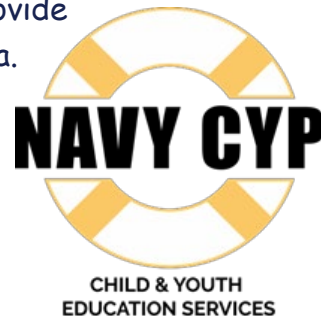


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MilitaryChildcare.com & Busan Commercial Child Care

MilitaryChildCare.com is a central gateway that simplifies your child care search process by providing comprehensive information on military child care programs around the world. It enables you to search for and request care, manage your requests, and update your profile online.

Currently there are only two commercial childcare space in Busan. They are listed on pages 5 and 6 of this guide.

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A Department of Defense (DoD) program that makes it easier to find the child and youth care your family needs.



Busan Childcare

MilitaryChildCare.com

It's simple and convenient to request care at an approved contracted childcare facility. Follow the steps below:

- ✓ Step 1: Create Account
- ✓ Step 2: Search and Request Care
Select CNFK Busan
A CYP Representative from CFA Chinhae
will contact to verify eligibility.
- ✓ Step 3: Manage My Request
- ✓ Step 4: Update My Profile

Call us for more info:
050-3363-8771
Email: M-KO-CFAC-CYP-MGMT@us.navy.mil

Please note that Korean commercial childcare facilities start accepting children at age two.

Use the QR Code below to watch the video and request for care.
It's that easy!



Going Live on MCC
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Thinking Child School

Location: Marine City

POC: Marc Roberts (Speaks English)

Phone: 010-3803-3708

010-3556-3354

Email: thinkingchildschool@gmail.com

Facebook: TCS Thinking Child School

- Certification: Korea Ministry of Education
- Curriculum: Ecological Early Childhood Education
- Hours of Operation: 0800-1700
- Care Provided: Full Time
- Ages: 2-5
- Teacher Ratio:
 - Two Year Olds = 1:7
 - Preschool 3= 1:10
 - Preschool 4= 1:11

Haneulbit Daycare Center

Location: Namgu (Daeyeondong)

POC: Heejung Park- Owner/Operator
(Some English. Uses Translation - Please email)
Phone: 051-628-0372
Email: phjlhc@hanmail.net
Facebook: N/A



- **Certification:** Korea Ministry of Health and Welfare
- **Curriculum:** Ecological Early Childhood Education
- **Hours of Operation:**
0800-1600; 1600-1930 Extension hours
- **Care Provided:** Full Time
- **Ages:** 6 months - 5 years of age
- **Transportation Provided:** Yes at age 2 in surrounding areas

Address: 38, UN pyeonghwa-ro 38beon-gil, Nam-gu, Busan, Republic of Korea

Home Childcare Centers

A home child care center is officially licensed as a type of center for a small number of children (five to 20 children), although it is based on home settings mostly at a house or an apartment unit as the name indicates. The directors and teachers should be certified as well. The following Home Childcare Centers have opted to be included in our Resource & Referral Guide



Namheung Day Care Center

Location: Haeundae (Bansong dong)
051-542-7532

Ckj-rainbow@yahoo.co.kr

EQ Land Daycare Center

Location: Haeundae (jwadong)
051-747-9202

eq9202@hanmail.net

LG NARI DAYCARE

Location: Haeundae (jwadong)
051-702-7913

Ok1969@hanmail.net

International School of Busan Early Years Program

Location: Gijang, Busan(Near IKEA)

POC: Seung Mi Hong (speaks English)
Phone: 051-720-1100
Email: admissions@isbusan.org
Website: www.isbusan.org

- **Certification:** IB PYP (EY is part of the PYP)
- **Accreditation:**
PYP Authorization, WASC Accreditation
- **Hours of Operation:** (8.30 am ~ 3.30 pm)
- **Care Provided:** Full Time Only
- **Teacher Ratio:** Currently 1:7
- **Transportation Provided:** (Yes, Haeundae, Gwangalli, Jinhae Navy Base, other areas)
- **Tuition assistance/ grants programs:**



https://www.isbusan.org/_files/ugd/f2b74e_6b4cb6ed61b74bd7b000b4ee3ddfde04.pdf

Busan Foreign School Early Childhood Program

Location: Haeundae

POC: Lauren Harvey,
Early Childhood & Elem. Principal (Speaks English)
Phone: 051.747.7199
Email: gsaunders@bfs.or.kr
Website: www.busanforeignschool.org

- **Accreditation:** WASC Accreditation
- **Hours of Operation:** (8.30 am ~ 3.30 pm)
- **Care Provided:** Full Time Only
- **Teacher Ratio:** Currently 1:7
- **Transportation Provided:** (Yes, Haeundae, Gwangalli, Jinhae Navy Base, other areas)



Address: 45 | Daechon-ro 67 beon-gil | Haeundae-gu | 48084 Busan | South Korea

Xi 2 Child Day Care

POC: Youn Sun Lee

(Some English. Uses Translation –Please email)

Phone: 010-7610-9303

Email: sunny1877@naver.com

Website: N/A

- Certification: Korea Ministry of Health and Welfare
- Curriculum: Ecological Early Childhood Education
- Hours of Operation: 0900-1600
- Care Provided: Full Time
Limited Extended Hours: 1600-1930 available an hourly rate
- Teacher Ratio: Nursery 1-2yr = 1:5
Two Year Olds = 1:7
Preschool 3= 1:10
Preschool 4= 1:11
- Tuition assistance/ grants programs: N/A

Address:

Library & Kitchen



Library & Kitchen



Study Room



Songrim Childcare Center

Location: Namgu (Yonghodong)

POC: William Kim (Speaks English)
Phone: 010-2570-6214
Email: toeic991@hanmail.net
Website: <https://www.childcare.go.kr>

- Certification: Korean Childcare Promotion Agency
- Curriculum: Child-centered and play-oriented
- Hours of Operation: 7:30am to 7:30pm (this includes extended hours)
Care Provided: Full Time
- Teacher Ratio: Nursery 6wks- 1yr = 1:3
One Year Olds = 1:5
Two Year Olds= 1:7
Preschool 3= 1:10

Address: 41-1, Dongmyeong-ro 170 beon-gil, Nam-gu, Busan



Helpful things to know about Childcare on the Korean Economy

- Understanding Korean will be highly advantageous to your search. Try to have a friend help you or have a translator handy.
- Prepare to have your child on the wait list, you need to prepare (in Korean): Your child's Korean Registration Number or Alien Registration Number, a phone number and an address in Korea.
- You must have a Korean Bank account to pay for services.
- If you're looking for a place to start, you can try the Facebook group called "Daycare Centers in Korea (ORINIJIB)." You can also look up the Facebook group called "Expats Moms."
- Babysitting and nannies: There are various babysitting and nanny services available. You may check more local sites that offer services such as babysitter-korea.com, Korea International Nanny Service (Facebook) and nannyjob.co.kr.
- Many large complexes, especially those attached to apartment buildings or malls, have daycare services inside. Some of these may be chain daycares or they might be smaller, family run daycares.



Thank You!

Chinhae Navy Child & Youth Program