

# Youth Sponsorship Program

## Parent/Guardian Informed Consent Form

The Youth Sponsorship Program is designed to help youth get connected to their new community. The Relocation Assistance Program (RAP) and Child, Youth and Teen (CY&T) Program at MCB Quantico collaboratively run the program in an effort to reach all incoming youth. In order to ensure that the program is helpful to installation youth, program staff will periodically ask for feedback from program participants about the following:

- How youth find out about the program
- What youth like about the program
- How the program is helpful to youth
- What youth dislike about the program
- What youth would change about the program
- How to get youth to volunteer to be youth sponsors
- How to market the program to youth

There are two possible ways that your child may be asked to provide their feedback about their experiences in the program:

1. *Participate in group discussions:* CY&T Assistants will ask youth to participate in short group discussions about their experiences in the program.
2. *Complete a participant feedback form:* After any program activity, youth will have the opportunity to fill out a participant feedback form.

**Confidentiality:** The program staffs that facilitate the group discussions and collect the feedback forms will keep your child's private information (name, answers on the feedback form, and comments during the group discussions) confidential and kept in a locked file. Discussion comments and feedback will only be used in aggregate to improve program practices and inform others about program success.

**Benefits:** The information gathered from your child will have a positive impact on the development of Youth Sponsorship Programs across military installations. Feedback from participants will be used to improve program practices/activities and help ease transitions for all youth.

**Risks:** There may be minimal risks for your child if there is a breach in confidentiality. Every effort will be made to ensure that your child's comments are confidential and not shared with any individual.

If you have any questions about your child's participation in the program or the methods by which program staff will be gathering feedback, please contact <contact name> at <phone number> or you can contact <alternate contact> at <phone number>.

I give my child consent to provide feedback about his/her experiences in the Youth Sponsorship Program.

I do not give my child consent to provide feedback about his/her experiences in the Youth Sponsorship Program.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_