

Strong Families Program Pride Post

April 20, 2026



Summer Resource:

Last week our parent-participants got a behind-the-scenes tour of the **Children's Museum of Yuma of County!** Museums are a hands-on, fun way to keep kids brains engaged over summer (and get out of the heat).

Fun fact: If you qualify for SNAP and have an EBT card, you can get a discount on your museum admission!



Reminders

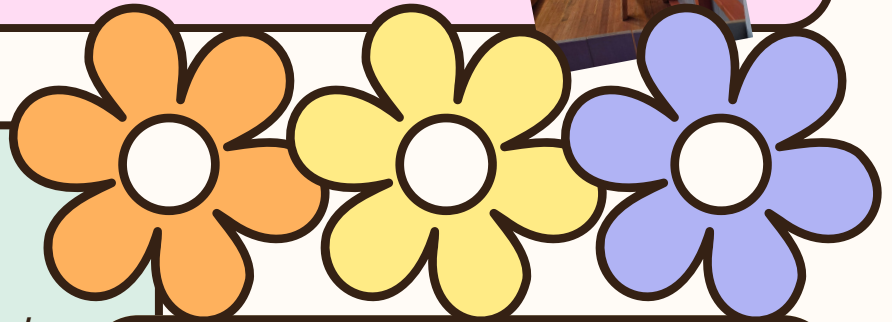
Walk & Talk Last Day: Mon 4/27

Core Class Last Day: Wed 4/29

Shopping Spree: Thu 4/30

GED Class: Closed for the year

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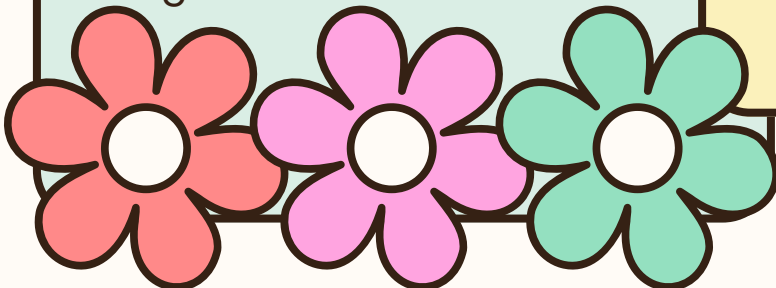
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What We've Learned

Gentle parenting does **not** mean never saying no. It means being firm and using age-appropriate limits with empathy and connection. Gentle parenting aims to teach emotional regulation instead of just punishing behavior. It reinforces the "right thing to do" and fosters a sense of self worth within the child.

GED LAST DAY

The last day for our FREE GED class is Friday, April 10th. Tutoring is available (by appointment) to current GED students until the end of the school year.

Important Dates

- April 15 - Final PACT Session
- April 27 - Final Walk & Talk
 - Weather depending. We may end earlier.
- April 29 - Final class day for SFP participants
- April 30 - Shopping Spree!
 - 3 winners will earn this

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* SFP Closed for Summer Break
5/28/26-08/02/26
SFP Office will re-open at 8:00am on
August 3rd, 2026



STRONG FAMILIES PROGRAM PRIDE POST

March 23, 2026

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What we've been up to:

4 Sneaky Influences on Behavior and Attitude

We finished up our 4SI Section this past week. Our participants learned about the 4 things that every YSD1 student encounters every single day, and how small changes in those 4 things can improve attitude, lead to a decrease in unwanted behaviors, and an increase in academic focus and performance. They also received FREE resources to help them make those changes!

Taxes 101

Our participants had the opportunity to learn all about taxes! What are they? How do you file them? Why do you file them? What are deductions, credits, & dependants? And where they can go to file for FREE!

Reminders

Our program follows the YSD1 school calendar. If our schools are closed, our program is closed.

SFP CLOSED FOR SPRING BREAK
March 30th - April 3rd

Upcoming Topics

- ~ Parent/Teacher Conferences: Facts & Myths
- ~ What is the difference between punishment and discipline & why does it matter?
- ~ What is the Summer Slide?

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March 9, 2026

Attitude & Behavior:

Tip # 4

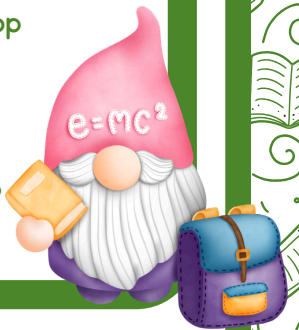
Did you know... too much screen time has been linked to increased likelihood to develop diabetes? It has also been linked to lower grades and test scores and increased meltdowns.

What is the recommended amount of screen time?
2 hours or less per day.



What a fun time!

We wrapped up our “Semi-Homemade: Nutrition & Budget for Real Life” workshop last week. Each week we focused on a different theme: Kitchen safety, what makes a balanced meal, making grocery money stretch, sneaky sugars and what they means for our bodies, tips for helping picky eaters make healthy choices, & how can food spark curiosity. Each week participants got to make 1 or 2 recipies, hands on, all materials provided for FREE! Two lucky participants were drawn to win (pictured above)!



Upcoming Topics

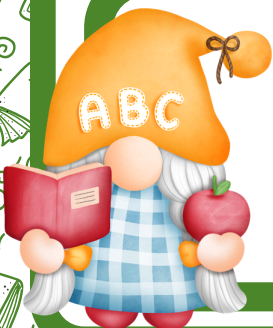
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- ~ Taxes 101
- ~ What is the summer slide?



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NEW

Walk & Talk Mondays

Meet new people, get healthy,
and hit those goals!

If you've been looking for a way to get some healthy activity into your day, but need a little push... this is for you!

Every Monday

Smucker Park
9:00-10:00am

*Open to **all** parents/guardians. No sign-up or registration required!

A fun, no pressure get together for parents! We'll walk (or run, your choice) around the paved path at Smucker Park. You can group up and chat, or go ahead solo. There's no wrong way to do it!

Grab your water, bring a friend, and we'll see you there!

Behavior & attitude:

Tip # 3

Too much sugar not only affects the body, it affects the brain! It can **affect focus, memory, and learning**. The USDA recommends staying under 50g of sugar a day. A popart has about 12g **per popart!**

Upcoming Topics

- 4 Sneaky Influences: Tip #4
- How do all these tips work together?
- Parent-Teacher Conferences: Facts & Myths
- What is the "Summer Slide"?

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FEBRUARY 9, 2026

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LOOK WHAT WE ARE UP TO!

Our "Cooking Class" participants learned about knife cuts, culinary terms, and tips to get picky eaters to try new things.

We also made a new recipe: Apple Nachos!

(This class is full, but we do have seats in other parts of our program!)

BEHAVIOR & ATTITUDE: 4 'SNEAKY INFLUENCES

TIP #2

Did you know... elementary school children should be getting **60 minutes** of vigorous play every day?! Not just on PE days, and not only on school days. **Every day.**

Getting the right amount of physical activity not only helps keep their bodies healthy, it actually **helps their brain grow!**



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JANUARY 26, 2026

Parent & Child Together Time

This is what we call PACT Time. It is a scheduled time for you to be in the classroom, participating in all the same activities as your student!



Who can participate?

Any parent, guardian, or emergency contact of any student that is enrolled and attending a Yuma School District One school.

How do I get started?

Contact the SFP Coordinator! We will go over everything you need to know, including the PACT Agreement, and get you set up.

Behavior & Attitude: 4 Sneaky Influences Tip # 1

Did you know: According to the CDC, approximately **35% of children in AZ are considered chronically sleep deprived.**

Elementary school age children should get about **10 hours** of sleep (not 10 hours in the bed, 10 hours of actual sleep) **every day.**

Upcoming Topics

- Sneaky Influences #2 thru #4
- Classroom Lingo
 - "What's a WICOR chart?"
 - "Numbers decompose?"
 - "How do you make a notebook interactive?"

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THE STRONG FAMILIES

PROGRAM

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January 12th, 2026

STRONG FAMILIES PROGRAM

ENROLLMENT OPEN!

Welcome back students and families! We hope you had an exciting break, and had a chance to relax.

The SFP is kicking off right away. Our classroom is located at OC Johnson, but our program is open to ALL families in our district.

All classes run 9:00-11:00am

Specialty Topics: Mondays

Core Group: Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays

GED: Fridays (Free!)

UPCOMING TOPICS

~ 4 Sneaky influences on behavior

4 things that every child encounters on a daily basis that can have huge impacts on their behavior. We'll talk about small changes that can lead to improved attitude, academic success, and relationships.

~ Classroom "lingo"

What is a Kahoot? How do I use a tape diagram?

Who is Costa, and why does he have questions?

Why do numbers decompose? We will decode all of these and more!

SEMI-HOMEMADE: NUTRITION & BUDGET FOR REAL LIFE

Learn tips & tricks for picky eaters, try new recipes, learn how to make the healthiest choices on a realistic budget, and more!

All materials & ingredients provided for FREE

6 Sessions, 1 session per week (Commitment to all six sessions required)

January 29, February 5, 12, 19, 26, & March 5

9:00-11:00am at 1201 W 12th St

Open to all parents/guardians & emergency contacts of any YSDI student

*REGISTRATION REQUIRED, CONTACT INFO LISTED BELOW

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STRONG FAMILIES PROGRAM

DECEMBER 1ST, 2025

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IMPORTANT INFO:

Strong Families Program enrollment is **PAUSED** until January. Our enrolled SFP Parents will be participating in a **real-life, hands-on small business experience** between Thanksgiving & Christmas Break. Our program hosts the campus holiday shop, which also doubles as a fundraiser (which is how we provide coffee, snacks, and prizes!).

We will begin taking new enrollments after Christmas Break.

COMING SOON!

Our most popular and anticipated workshop! This one will fill up quickly!

Semi-Homemade: Nutrition & Budget for Real Life

6 Sessions, 1 session per week (Thursdays 01/29/26-03/05/26)

9:00-11:00am

Cost: **FREE** (All ingredients and materials provided!)

*Adults only, no childcare available. We apologize for the inconvenience.

Registration opens January 12th, 2026



UPCOMING EVENTS:

- 12/11: Yuma Community Food Bank Distribution day at OC Johnson (Open to the whole community)
- 12/22-01/09: Christmas Break, the SFP is closed
- 01/12: Back to school!
- 01/29: "Cooking class" starts



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November 10, 2025

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Fire Safety Class

Wednesday (11/19/2025)

9:00-11:00am Adults Only

Cost: **FREE** Location: OC Johnson 1201 W 12th St

Core Group

Enrollment **Paused**

The SFP will begin taking new Core Group participants after Christmas!

Other classes still open.

Seeking volunteers for campus Holiday Shop

The SFP is looking for volunteers to help us run the Holiday Shop on our campus.

December 8th-12th
Multiple shifts available.
Bilingual a plus!

IMPORTANT GED NOTES

11/14 - No GED Class
(Teacher out)

11/21 - Regular class
9:00-11:00

11/28 - No GED Class
(Thanksgiving break)

12/5 - Regular class
9:00-11:00

12/12 - No GED class
(Holiday Shop)

12/19 - GED Progress Test

Check out our SFP field trip!

We got a behind the scenes tour of the Main Library!

Want to Register? Have Questions? Reach out!

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