STRONG FAMILIES PROGRAMS

DECEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2025 Pride Post

## **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





## Strong Families Program Pride Post

November 10, 2025

www.yuma.org/strong-families-program

#### **Fire Safety Class**

Wednesday (11/19/2025) 9:00-11:00am Adults Only

Cost: **FREE** Location: OC Johnson 1201 W 12<sup>th</sup> St

## Core Group Enrollment Paused

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

Other classes still open.

## 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

## 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!

## 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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### Strong Families Program

## Pride Post

10/27/2025

#### Core Group

We have been talking about all things budget. We will be finishing up by going over sales, coupons, discount stores, and all the tips & tricks to save money!

Now's a great time to stop in to check us out.

#### GED

Current subject: Science
We are just finishing up chapters 1-6
(the Life Science section), and are
moving on to chapters 7-9 (the
Physical Science section). New
students are always welcome!

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#### Did you know...

October is Fire Safety month?!

Have you checked your smoke detectors in the past 3 months?

Do you have a home evacuation plan?

Check out these fun, free resources!

www.sparky.org

### Fire Safety Class

Wednesday
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9:00-II:00am
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\*Adults only

Must be a parent/guardian or emergency contact of a YSDI student.

Registration Req.



**October 14, 2025** 



#### What's Coming Up

#### **SFP Core Class**

Tuesdays-Thursdays 9:00am

All things budget!

- How can I change my car insurance payment?
- If I pay my minimum credit card payment, why doesn't my balance go down?
- Is buying in bulk always the best option?

And more!

#### **Home-Buying 101**

10/21/25 9:00am

Cost: FREE

\*Will also include information about fixing credit scores!

#### Car Seat & Home Safety

10/23/25 9:00am

Cost: FREE

\*Possibility of having your current car seat installation inspected.

#### **SFP Location**

Our classroom is located at OC Johnson Elementary (1201 W 12<sup>th</sup> St).

But our program is open to **any** parent, guardian, or emergency contact of **any** YSD1 student.

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## Looking for something specific?

Looking for a class you haven;t seen yet? Maybe; how to write a resume or best advice for acing a job interview?

We're listening! Leave us an email or voicemail telling us what you are looking for.

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# Pride Post

## Home-Buying 101 10/21/25 9:00am

OC Johnson (1201 W 12<sup>th</sup> St)

What is Escrow? What if my credit is bad? What if I can't afford to put any money down right now? How do I even start the process?

Whether you are ready to start looking for your dream home today, or you just want to be ready when the time comes: Join us to learn about the process of buying a home, what programs may be available to assist you, and tips to help you get the home of your dreams.

## Car Seat Safety & Home Safety 10/23/25 9:00am

Join us to learn:

The difference between car seat styles, how to determine which type of car seat is safest for your child, the proper way to install child restraints, and other important child safety tips! You can even have your current car seat installation inspected.

asalasibarra@yuma.org or 928-502-7835 Open to all parents, guardians, and emergency contacts of Yuma School District One students. No child care available, we apologize for the inconvenience

#### Other upcoming topics:

- SMART Goals
- Parent-Teacher conferences: What's the deal?
  - Budget for real life

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SEPT. 15<sup>™</sup>, 2025

## What have we been up to?

#### Communication is key!

The past few weeks we have been breaking down different communication styles and practicing different ways of approaching situations.
Understanding communication styles and how children develop communication skills can help tame (or avoid) meltdowns that arise from misunderstandings (on both sides).

#### FAQ

I want to do some of the program, but I'm not sure I want to do all of it. Can I do some of it?

Yes! You can do some parts and not others. There are some attendance expectations depending on what part you are interested in participating in, but we can build an individual plan! Just contact us and we will work it out together.

### What's coming up?

We cover a lot of topics in the SFP. Some coming up in the next few weeks are:

- Understanding these tiny humans (basic child development)
- How to help your child feel like they can learn/do ANYTHING.
- How to decode a report card.
- Absences: what are the real impacts and what do they really mean for our students?

And lots more!

#### **GED Corner**

Last week our participants took their Science Pre-Test. Over the next few weeks we will be working our way through the GED Science curriculum.

Missed the pre-test? No worries, you can still join the class.

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## SFP PRIDE POST

September 2, 2025

#### What is PACT Time?

Simply put: I hour a week, in your child's classroom, experiencing all the things!

## What is a digraph? Or a WICOR Chart?

PACT Time is a great way to learn what your child is learning so when homework comes home you are prepared to help your child.

## I need to ask the teacher a question, but I'm nervous.

PACT Time is also a great way build a bond with your student and make a connection with the school and the teacher.

## My child doesn't go to OC Johnson, can I still do PACT Time?

Yes! We will work with any school, teacher, and admin team in Yuma School District One. All YSD1 families are eligible to enroll is the Strong Families Program.

## PACT Time Starts this month!

The specific start date may be a little different for each family, but PACT time is kicking off in September!

#### **Free GED Class**

Fridays @ OC Johnson

9:00-11:00am

Topic: Science

This class is in English. Looking for

GED in Spanish or Adult ESL

Classes? Reach out!

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# Strong Families Progra Pride Post

August 18, 2025

## Welcome!

Welcome back YSD1 Families! We hope you had a wonderful summer, and that you have been settling into the new school year well.

The Strong Families Program is kicking off this week!

Families from any Yuma School District One school are welcome to join our program.

## **Coffee & Questions**

Wednesday, August 20, 2025 9:00am OC Johnson (1201 W 12<sup>th</sup> St)

Coffee, snacks, & prizes.
Bring a friend, bring your questions, & find out what the SFP is all about!

## **Free GED Class**

Fridays 9:00-11:00am
In person, at OC Johnson
Class starts August 29, 2025
\*This class is in English only.

More info at our Coffee & Questions Event!

## Have you ever wondered...

- How am I supposed to help my child with their homework if I don't know how to do it?
- I am worried about my kindergartener adjusting to school, what can I do?
- I am new to the area, how can I get connected or find something I need?
- I'd like a different/better job, where do I start?
- My child is not doing well in school and I don't know what else to try!

The Strong Families Program can help with these questions.

Have other questions? We are a great place to start for ANY question.

## **Contact Info:**

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# STRONG FAMILIES PROGRAM OUR YEAR IN REVIEW

## SHOPPING SPREE WINNERS!

- Best Attendance
   Quicha
- Most Improved
   Toni
- Special Mention
   Ana



NUMBER OF FAMILIES SERVED

100+

Including both direct and indirect services.

## ENDING THE YEAR ON A HIGH NOTE

Every year, the last few days of Core Classes, the participants get to teach the teacher! Each participant gets to pick something they love, and share it with the class. This year we made calm jars, cooked pastel azteca, made mini cheesecakes, learned infant massage techniques, and crazy hair inspirations!

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- Complete my GED

   (all 5 exams)
- Get a job
   Improve my
- Improve my relationship with my children
- Get a promotion
- Improve my credit score
- Teach my child to read
  - Learn to cook healthy meals







# SFP Pride Post April 21, 2025



We are using the last few weeks of the Strong Families Program (for this school year) to practice some super fun hands-on activities! Perfect for encouraging & continuing learning over summer.



#### Unpoppable bubbles

Ok, they aren't really unpoppable. But they are stronger than regular bubbles and will roll & bounce across surfaces for a while before they pop! They are also much more colorful and rainbow-y than normal. bubbles.

Pictured above are a few of our participants practicing making a batch.

## Peanut butter playdough

This is a fun, messy activity that sneaks in a little reading, math, and science! The SFP Participants had the chance to practice making some.

\*It is safe to eat as long as the child has clean hands when they start to play with it.

