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Purdue Military Research Institute Welcome Letter

Welcome Sir/Ma'am,

We are happy to have you join us here at Purdue University for your graduate education and look forward to your contributions to our community! Home of the Boilermakers, Purdue University is an internationally recognized university that enjoys high rankings for the quality of our education and research. Purdue is also notable for its welcoming atmosphere, which is particularly evident for our military members and their families. While you serve here, the Purdue Military Research Institute will form the backbone of your support network, and you can count on our faculty and staff to provide support and guidance throughout your time here. Our group of more than sixty officers that make up the PMRI cohort bring with them a varied mix of backgrounds and areas of expertise, as we host students from the Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force, Coast Guard and Space Force.

During your time here, you may be asked to address some of the most difficult technical challenges facing our country and the national defense community. We don't think you'd expect less...and we know you're up to the task based on your past track record. You'll now study with some of the world's foremost researchers who are surrounded by other gifted students. So, eat a big breakfast, tie your shoes on tight, and bring your "A" game...Purdue academics and research will require all of that for you to succeed. But succeed you will...we enjoy a 98% success rate for on-time graduations...and have every confidence that your name will be included on that elite list.

While you are at Purdue, we also encourage you to make the most of your time outside of the lab or classroom. Boilermaker sporting events, intramural sports, and affinity clubs are varied and abundant places to connect with other campus students. In addition to our campus, the Greater Lafayette/Tiptecanoe County area hosts numerous public parks, rich historical sites, and a vibrant community.

As you begin your studies, please feel comfortable reaching out to your fellow PMRI students, our PMRI faculty and staff, your academic advisors, and your civilian colleagues—they all want to see you succeed!

In this guide, you will find the institutional wisdom of those that have come before you. It is full of general advice, recommendations on things to do in the local area, and places you can look to for help when you get stuck. It is meant to help you ask the right questions as you develop a roadmap for your graduate education. Suggestions are welcome for future editions, especially if it makes the transition to Purdue a little easier for the next officer.

We wish you the best of luck as you begin your journey here at Purdue.

Boiler Up!

Points of Contact at Purdue

Purdue Military Research Institute:

- Website: <https://www.engineering.purdue.edu/PMRI/>
- POCS:
 - Dave Hankins, Col, USAF Ret., 765-427-8621
 - Eric Dietz, PhD, LTC, USA Ret., 765-494-8130
- PMRI Welcome Picnic (a lunch to be held the week before Fall semester starts, August)
- PMRI December Gathering
- PMRI Seminar Course (Mandatory in the Fall, Suggested in the Spring)

Air Force AFIT LNO

- Major Derek Lageman (CAO: Feb 24)

Space Force Senior Student

- Lt Ashwin Sivakumar (CAO: Feb 24)

Navy Senior Student

- LCDR Christine Cairoli (CAO: Aug 22)

Army Senior Student

- MAJ (S) Nick Harrell (CAO: Sep 21)

Marine Corps Senior Student

- Vacant currently

Purdue AF ROTC

- Website: <https://polytechnic.purdue.edu/afrotc>
- Phone: 765-494-2042 (Front Desk)
- Email: afrotcdet220@purdue.edu
- PAS: Col Joseph McKenna

Purdue Army ROTC

- Website: <https://polytechnic.purdue.edu/armyrotc>
- Phone: 765-494-2099
- PMS: LTC Kevin White

Purdue Navy ROTC

- Website: <https://polytechnic.purdue.edu/nrotc>
- Phone: 765-494-2055
- PNS: CAPT Chris Nelson
- Email: nrotcbo@purdue.edu
- Marine POC: CAPT Joshua Calderon, Marine Officer Instructor
 - Email: calder48@purdue.edu

Purdue Veterans' Success Center

- <https://www.purdue.edu/veterans/>
- 765-494-7638
- They are your POC for applying for in-state residency for purposes of in-state tuition. See instructions in your PMRI Fellowship offer letter or if coming w/funding from your Service, you should still apply and save significant monies over paying non-resident fees. It's a simple application process and you'll be approved....but you must apply!

Air Force In-Processing (See Checklist on AFIT CIP website)

MPF

- Checklist: <https://cip.afit.edu/CIPPORTAL/>
- Org Boxes
 - Force Management: 88mss.dpmo@us.af.mil
 - Customer Service: 88mss.dpmc@us.af.mil
- 88 FSS/FSDE Formal Training [<88FSS.FSDE.FormalSchools@us.af.mil>](mailto:88FSS.FSDE.FormalSchools@us.af.mil)
 - This might be useful for UPT, IFT, or other PCS to Training scenarios
 - (937) 904-4888

AFIT PAS Code

- WEOJFY7. (Make sure this is correct otherwise you will have issues utilizing other systems)

AFIT CSS POCs

- CSS@afit.edu
- ****As a last resort**** Reach out to Gary Morris to in-process with AFIT. The local detachment does not have full access to your personnel file to make all the necessary updates you need.
 - gary.morris.2@us.af.mil / gary.morris@afit.edu

Duty Title

- MS Student: AFIT CI MS Student
- PhD Student: AFIT CI PhD Student

AFIT DTS

- TSgt Ashley Krueger, ashley.krueger.3@us.af.mil

AFIT Fitness Manager

- MSgt Alexander Moyo, Alexander.Moyo@us.af.mil

AFIT Security Office

- afit.ci.security@us.af.mil
- Greg Dixon, gregory.dixon.ctr@afit.edu, 937-255-6565 x3118
- MSgt Lacey Erbe (AFIT/CI Security Assistant), lacey.erbe@us.af.mil

Finance:

- Email payhelp@us.af.mil with your orders stating you want to in-process.
- Submit your travel claim through: Comptroller Service Portal
 - <https://usaf.dps.mil/teams/SAFFMCSP/portal/SitePages/Home.aspx>
 - From Finance: In order to complete your PCS claim, we will need:
 - PCS orders (front and back copy)
 - Lodging receipts if you have recently completed a stay in temporary lodging or stayed in temporary lodging before PCSing (Lodging prior to departure or after arrival...authorized ~10 days reimbursement total)
 - This is different than the hotels you stayed in while in transit
 - A non-availability statement if applicable
 - Port lodging receipts
 - if you are coming from an OCONUS location
 - Most document forms will be provided for you.
 - If your email contains PII, or other sensitive information, please utilize SAFE APPS for secured file transfer to transmit these documents:
 - <https://safe.apps.mil/>
 - CAC required.
- Madison Kane, SrA, USAF, Financial Operations Technician, 88 CPTS/FMF, Civilian Pay/Military PCS Team Lead, Wright Patterson AFB, OH, Comm: (937)522-2079

WPAFB TMO:

- From WPAFB TMO:
 - Please submit all information and documentation listed on the attached PPM Documentation Collection Sheet to:
 - WPAFBTMO@US.AF.MIL
 - You will need to print off the DD Form 2278 and DD Form 1351-2 from your account in the DPS system at www.move.mil
 - Anna (Suzie) Puckett, Contractor, Personal Property Lead, WPAFB
 - Comm (937) 257-2153 DSN 787-2153
 - Fax (937) 257-3477 DSN 787-3477

DEERS (Local)

- Lafayette Armory (id cards, DEERs updates, etc.)
 - 5218 Haggerty Lane, Lafayette, IN 47905, (317) 247-3300 (near YMCA)
- Grissom Air Reserve Base (DEERS, id cards)
 - BLDG 598, Room 138, (765) 688-3909

Awards and Decorations

- Ms. Taiesha Williams (WPAFB) can update your awards and decorations
 - taiesha.williams.1.ctr@us.af.mil

LeaveWeb

- <https://leave.af.mil/login>
- Senior Student should be primary, PM should be alternate
- AFIT/CI requires additional COVID paperwork/approval, so plan leave in advance to ensure proper processing time with your program manager, checklist on AFIT CIP Website.
- Under 26 requires additional safety briefing and form.
- AFI 36-3003 governs Leave.

vRED

- Update through vMPF, which can be accessed through AF Portal.

Table 3.1. Determining Duty or Chargeable Leave.

R U L E	A	B	C	D	E
	If member is	and performed the majority of scheduled duty (over 50 percent)		or on a non- duty day	then the member is on
		Yes	No		
1	starting leave or signing up for space- available travel	X			duty.
2			X		leave.
3				X	leave.
4	returning from leave or space-available travel	X			duty.
5			X		leave.
6				X	duty.
Note: Leave status is not necessarily chargeable leave. For example, a member is on leave status after working at least 50% of the duty day, and the following day is the first day of chargeable leave. However, a member cannot sign up for space-available transportation before the first day and time of leave status.					

AFIT CIP Portal

- <https://cip.afit.edu/cip/>
 - Course plan submitted before first term; grades submitted after each term
- Form 9 should be confirmed and submitted for assignments

Air Force Related Topics

Air Force Connectivity

- Webmail: <https://webmail.apps.mil/mail/inbox>
- VPN to AFNET: VMware Horizon Client (how-to provided on AF Portal)
- Notice: officers coming straight from a commissioning source may not have an @us.af.mil (or Space Force email). This may limit the younger officers' ability to resolve various personnel issues that arise and may require accessing various Air Force sources (such as GAL or webmail).
 - Accessing vMPF may require an email. You can try spoofing it by giving it a placeholder email for the moment and then fixing it once the account was created

Motorcycle Riding

- Motorcycle Safety training course is covered by AFIT/Safety Office.
 - The course is offered in Frankfort, In (about 30-45 minutes away).
 - Military riders can get resident rates (~150\$).
 - Cost is fully refundable.
- Timothy Thomas (timothy.thomas@afit.edu) manages the MUSST Accounts.
- Several Students have motorcycles and can be mentors in accordance with motorcycle safety program guidance.

Air Force Mentorship

- Reach out to various O-6 types for mentorship. These folks can provide great insight. Below are a few recommendations for those looking for mentors especially in the 6X community
 - Col Michelle Ewy (Deputy Director AFRL-Stuff/AFOSR): PhD in chemistry, huge supporter of STEM AAD efforts, former Aide to AF Chief Scientist, Retires in 2022
 - Col Jason Bartolomei (AFNWC GBSD SML/Director, he's the guy in-charge, but the naming convention changes based on the season), PhD from MIT, really receptive and engaging

Promotion

- A Promotion Recommendation Form (PRF) should be completed by previous unit prior to your school assignment.
 - If you are due for a promotion, it is on you to check and make sure your paperwork is where it needs to be.

AFIT Patches for OCPs

- <https://www.reaperpatches.com/products/af-institute-of-technology?variant=35305575743655>
- There is a small number of patches locally within the AF Corps of PMRI...ask the Sr Student

Fitness Testing

- Det 220 (Purdue) administers the tests, coordinate through Senior Student
- Schedule early
 - Testing is historically offered prior to Fall semester following arrival of new students
- Make sure PAS Code is updated or there may be an issue linking your myFSS/myFitness account with your score.
- **It is your responsibility for staying current / green on all personnel readiness issues**

Periodic Health Assessment (See Medical Section)

- Should be accomplished annually

Signature Blocks

- There is no standardize format nor a requirement to have a signature block, but if you choose to create one, please comply with the proper abbreviations and common format.
- Some examples are provided:

PMRI Recommended:

First M. Last, Rank, Service
Purdue Military Research Institute Fellow, (MS/PhD) Student/Candidate
<https://engineering.purdue.edu/PMRI>

Other Examples:

Rank First Last
PhD Student, AFIT/CIG (Purdue University)
name@purdue.edu
Cell: XXX-XXX-XXXX

First M. Last, 2d Lt, USAF
AFIT MS Student, Purdue University
(Note: Instead of AFIT MS Student, you could also put your degree program like AAE MS Student or you could list AFIT/CIG. It is not unreasonable to change this line based on who you are communicating with)

FIRST M. LAST, 2d Lt, USAF
DAWN-ED Graduate Student
PMRI, Purdue University
XXX.XXX.XXXX

First M. Last, Rank, Service
Purdue Military Research Institute Fellow, Degree
(if you work in one) Name of Lab/Center
School (eg School of Aeronautics and Astronautics)
Purdue University
email@purdue.edu
<https://engineering.purdue.edu/PMRI>

First M. Last
Graduate Candidate, Purdue University

First M. Last
AAE MS Candidate, Purdue University

Space Force In-Processing
See Air Force In-Processing

Space Force Related Information

Space Force Portal: <https://www.my.spaceforce.mil/login>

Navy In-Processing

Email the Purdue Navy ROTC admin Team to start Check-in: nrotcadmin@purdue.edu

Navy Related Topics

The Navy ROTC Commander is responsible for all Navy students while at Purdue University. The Commander is responsible for FITNESS reports and approves all liberty and leave chits. All Navy students are encouraged to contact the Navy ROTC Commander or XO upon arrival.

Periodic Health Assessment (PHA)

- One option is to register through Great Lakes, Captain James A. Lovell Federal Health Care Center, and then do a virtual PHA annually
 - Call to Register stating registration to complete annual active duty PHA: 224-610-3747
 - Follow instructions in the Periodic Health Assessments section to complete online portion and schedule PHA appointment: <https://www.va.gov/lovell-federal-health-care-tricare/programs/fisher-clinic-operational-medicine/>

Army in-Processing

In-process with the US Army Student Detachment (USASD) at Fort Jackson as outlined in your orders.

Links to forms and processes can be found here: <https://usacimt.tradoc.army.mil/lrb/usasd/index.html>

USASD falls under Training and Doctrine Command (TRADOC); if you need to wear ACU/OCP for an event, patch available here: <https://www.shopmyexchange.com/army-unit-patch-tradoc/1272804>

USASD can often be, unhelpful. Reach out to one of the current student Officers at Purdue if you run into issues, they can point you in the right direction or advise on how to approach the situation.

Army Related Topics
Placeholder

General Military Information

Arrival Date:

- If you already have housing secured/arranged, arriving two weeks prior to start of classes is usually sufficient to get settled. Typically, classes begin the 3rd week of August.
 - You will want all this time to get your affairs in order prior to starting your classes, so take this into account when you are requesting an arrival date.
 - It is a sprint until Christmas break, then you will get ~ two weeks off, then it is another sprint to summer break, then you will get ~ two weeks off...rinse and repeat

Applying for In-State Tuition/Residency

- For those on PMRI Fellowships, your offer letter asks you to apply for in-state residency once you have orders.
 - Please note that this is for tuition purposes only...does not affect your legal state of residency.
 - It's a very easy process...just follow the directions on your offer letter.
- If not on a Fellowship, go to the Purdue Registrar website and look for "Residence Classification Information for Military Personnel" and follow the directions.
- There is a deadline for filing and failing to do this, could cause you to be responsible for the difference in costs of in-state and out of state tuition.
- **Waivers for failing to submit the application on time are extremely rare!**

BAH Rate (<https://www.defensetravel.dod.mil/site/bahCalc.cfm>)

- \$ 1,278/month, O-1, no-dependents (2024)
- \$ 1,992/month, O-3, with-dependents (2024)

Car/Vehicle Registration

- Cars can be registered in Indiana as a non-resident.
- If you are a non-resident, you are exempt from various Indiana vehicle/use/wheel taxes.
 - <https://www.in.gov/bmv/resources/military-families/>
 - Tax should be around \$50 to register your car.
 - *State Form 46402* is required, but it can be signed by Senior Student, who verifies you are in Indiana on military orders and are not a resident.

Purdue Parking

- Purdue has various parking passes, and as a grad student living more than 1.5 miles from campus, you may purchase a C pass without any restriction.
- PMRI has secured the privilege of being able to purchase A and B passes, just like faculty and staff.
 - 'A' passes cost \$250 per year (August to August)
 - NOTE>>>you can only have one kind of pass at a time...and once purchased, it's yours for whatever time commitment you agreed to.
- Prior to the Fall and Spring semesters, PMRI leadership will reach out and ask if you'd like to purchase an upgraded parking pass. They will then send a list of those students that want the upgrades to Parking Facilities for review/approval. Approval typically happens only a few days prior to classes starting.
 - While we've tried to accelerate that approval, we have not been successful. That said, it truly is a privilege that we're being given to have an A or B pass.
 - Please don't "brag" about this to your fellow grad students who are having to purchase C passes. **This privilege could easily be lost.**

- Purdue is notorious for giving out parking tickets (~\$70). They have a whole fleet of parking cops checking every spot on campus multiple times a day; a parking permit is very worthwhile, especially with PMRI helping us purchase employee-level permits (A & B).
- For those who need to make frequent trips to classes on campus, the A permit will allow you to park in prime locations like covered parking garages close to academic buildings (see map linked below).
- The B and C permits are the same price, but B has more locations.
- Free street parking can be found on Waldron Street, but these spots are usually taken by the fraternities and sororities. More free spots are found in the streets off campus east of the sports complex and Northwestern Ave. Sylvia St has free two-hour parking on the street and is very close to most engineering buildings.
 - NOTE>>>>Moving your car to another free parking location on the same block does NOT restart the parking clock. If you're going to move it, move it to a different block.
- <https://www.purdue.edu/campus-map/parking.html>

MyPay

- <https://mypay.dfas.mil/#/>
 - Can check paystubs and get tax documents (travel/PCS W-2s as well as annual W-2)
 - Can set up allocations and contributions to TSP here.
 - Can change tax withholdings (W-4 status)

TSP

- <https://www.tsp.gov/>
- 401k-like retirement account, which needs to be logged into and setup.
 - Recommend investing your money in ROTH TSP
 - Contributions / Allotments can be setup in MyPay.
 - How your money is invested needs to be established on the TSP.gov website
 - Information about funds is here:
 - <https://www.tsp.gov/funds-individual/>
 - <https://www.tsp.gov/funds-lifecycle/>
 - Most people would do fine investing in a lifecycle fund with a target decade of your retirement
- May require you to request password and log-in information via mail

Local Military Bases

- Lafayette Armory (National Guard, can replace military and spouse ID cards)
- Fort Benjamin Harrison (Indianapolis, home of DFAS) 1 hour drive
- Grissom Air Reserve Base, Kokomo (45 minutes to 1 hour)
- Crane Naval Base / NSA Crane
- Wright-Patterson, OH (serving MPF)
 - ~ three hour drive
- Fort Knox, KY
- Scott AFB, IL
 - Four hour drive
- Great Lakes Naval Base (2.5 hour drive)

Medical and Dental Information

Medical

- Should have an annual Periodic Health Assessment (PHA), **which is a READINESS item**
- 88th BOMC (Base Occupational Medical Clinic)
 - For updating your annual PHA and other health/medical record updates such as vaccines
 - Phone number: 937-255-8226
 - Points of Contact:
 - Mike Girard: michael.k.girard.civ@mail.mil
 - James Boshonek: james.p.boshonek.civ@mail.mil
 - Org Box: USAF Wright-Patterson AFB 88 MDG Mailbox BOMC usaf.wright-patt.88-mdg.mbx.bomc@mail.mil

Immunization Clinic

- May not answer phone – 937-257-3822

Local Medical Providers

- The providers need to be certified with Tricare, so just because they are in the same office does not mean they will necessarily be covered.
- Franciscan (TRICARE in-network provider)
 - There is a sports (and family) medicine clinic at the YMCA building (Lafayette)
 - There is a clinic off of Sagamore Pkwy, near Salisbury in West Lafayette
 - Lisa Turner is a nurse practitioner and is, at least, familiar with paperwork and processes of PHAs.
- Referrals can be easily made through the Primary Care Physician (PCP / PCM [manager])
 - Out of network if appointments cannot be made within 60 days or the drive is greater than 1hr drive
 - A particular issue for urology (maybe you are thinking of a vasectomy by someone that does it for a living, rather than a military doc who does not)
 - Franciscan **does not** have an in-network provider that can meet these requirements
 - Humana Military (Tricare East) Website: <https://www.humanamilitary.com/>
 - Able to register and see referral approval information here
 - If you have a referral to a provider you do not prefer, you can look up other providers and call Humana to change the provider

Local Pharmacies (In-network)

- Walgreens
- Meijer
 - Flu shots can be done here

Flight Physicals

- Wright-Patterson Air Force Base

Dental

- **Form DD 2813 required each visit**
 - https://www.hqmc.marines.mil/Portals/133/Dental_dd2813.pdf
 - Email to Wright Patterson Dental Clinic (Aug 21)
 - King, Ana A TSgt USAF 59 MDW (USA) ana.a.king2.mil@mail.mil
 - Dummitt, Michael T SSgt USAF (US) michael.t.dummitt.mil@mail.mil (DSN: #937-257-8761)
- Knop Family Dentistry (Lafayette)

- Takes and is familiar with Tricare (United Concordia)
 - Laid back, not super aggressive dentist
 - Great communication (email and SMS reminders for appointments)—helpful for a busy schedule.
- Deerfoot Trails Density
 - Same as Knop and located on Veterans Memorial Highway
- Pediatric Dentistry West: Dr. John and Dr. Zach Bozic (West Lafayette)
 - Takes Tricare (United Concordia)
 - Great with kids
- Dental Care of Indiana (West Lafayette)

Housing and Schools

General thoughts on housing:

Housing options are, generally speaking, limited even compared to the current state of the housing market. Everyone is on basically the same moving cycle: depart in Spring/Summer, arrive in Summer/Fall. Housing in West Lafayette is, generally speaking, strong due to lack of building and limited supply for 3+ room houses. Basements are hot commodities. Contracts are hard to get accepted with VA loans due to an influx of investors and cash offers being made by (usually international) competition.

- Typically avoid Lafayette inside (west) of Route 52 and north of Teal
- Suggested to avoid area near the Tate and Lyle plants...it's stinky
- Most officers with families choose to live in West Lafayette
- Klondike area (Lindberg Village, Blackthorn neighborhood, etc. "West of 231") (West Lafayette)
 - Seems to be very family friendly, lots of families with children
 - Western edge of West Lafayette
 - Very commutable to the University, but much longer drive to things in Lafayette (mall, YMCA, Churches, Sam's Club, Home Depot, Lowes, etc.)
 - Strong schools (but not considered as strong as West Lafayette Schools)
- Residential West Lafayette (north of University, circa Salisbury Rd, River Rd, Lindberg Ave, etc., "East of 231, South of 52")
 - Older, pricier homes
 - Convenient location to grocery stores, eateries, campus, etc.
- West Lafayette (Near Harrison HS, circa Kalberer Rd, "North of 52")
 - There are some newer homes and neighborhoods
 - Seem to be a little more expensive
 - Anecdotally, this is where the professors live
- Battle Ground (Near Prophetstown State Park, West Lafayette address)
 - Farther away from most things with older, affordable homes
 - Strong schools
 - Some historical museums
 - The local legend states that the *War of 1812* began here
- South Lafayette circa Veterans Memorial Parkway
 - Seems to be family friendly
 - Further from university but closer to mall, etc.
 - Seems to be a growing area with newer construction
- Zillow Data
 - [Houses for Sale](#)
 - [Houses for Rent](#)
 - [Houses Sold Recently](#)
- Apartments
 - West Lafayette (Close to campus) – pay between \$750-\$1000/month per person depending on roommates – walk to campus buildings, restaurants/bars
 - 120 Fowler Flats – New building, maybe not the best management
 - Rise and The Hub – Luxury new buildings (more toward \$1000+/month)
 - Generally, AVOID Granite Management
 - The Fairway Apartments – DO NOT LIVE HERE. Management is horrible
 - Burgett Rentals (John Burgett – 765-427-1684) - Several homes in good location. John is a reasonable landlord

- West Lafayette (Away from campus) – pay between \$400-\$600/month per person depending on roommates – generally quieter, and larger scale (“mass production” undergraduate living). Look close to Celery Bog for walking/biking trail. Many places have busses to take you to campus.
 - The Cottages
 - Village West
 - University Place
 - The Lodge on the Trail
 - Really nice complex with vast amenities
 - Next to Walmart
 - Lark & Alight
 - Redpoint
- Downtown Lafayette – pay between \$450-\$600/ month per person depending on roommates – walk to downtown restaurants/bars (generally better food options)
 - South Street Lofts – Good looking loft style, decent management
 - Historic Lahr Apartments – Nice older building in heart of downtown
- Handymen / Contractors
 - Remodeling Work
 - Ben Hoskins
 - getbenhere@gmail.com
 - Tolentino Tile & flooring
 - 765-714-7688
 - Carpet Cleaners
 - Chem-Dry of Lafayette
 - <https://www.carpetcleanerlafayetteindiana.com/>
 - ~1000sqft = ~300\$
 - HVAC Service
 - F&S Williams, Inc
 - <https://fswilliams.com/>
 - 150\$/year service contracts for Heating and AC
 - Very thorough and honest
 - Brand HVAC
 - <https://www.brandhvac.com/>
 - Consistently tried to upsell and over diagnose problems

Schools

- Klondike Elementary / Klondike Middle School (West of 231, off of 52)
- West Lafayette School District
- Lafayette Catholic School System

Preschools

Information and Fees (Current as of Jan 2022)

- [Christ United Methodist Church Early Learning](#), 3610 S 18th St Lafayette, IN
 - Moms Time Out: 12 months- 3 years (Must be walking, doesn't have to be potty trained)
 - M or W or F: 9:15-11:45 @ \$60.00 per month
 - Young Threes: Must be 3 years old by 12/31/22 (Potty trained required)
 - T and Th: 9:15-11:55 @ \$135.00 per month
 - 3/4 Class: Two different offerings (3 year old by 8/1/22 and Potty trained)
 - MWF or T/Th: 9:15-11:55 @ \$135 per month (2-day option) or \$165 per month (3-day option)
 - Preschool Class:
 - MTWTh: 9:15-12 @ \$190.00 per month
- [Saint Francis Early Learning](#), 1223 N 16th St Lafayette, IN (Catholic School System)
 - *Discounts available based on income level and/or church affiliation
 - Preschool 3's: 3 by August 1
 - M-F 8 a.m.- 3 p.m. @ \$660.00 per month
 - M-F 7 a.m.- 5:30 p.m. @ \$740.00 per month
 - AM ½ day M-F 8- 11 a.m. @ \$425.00 per month
 - PM ½ day M-F 12-3 p.m. @ \$425.00 per month
 - AM ½ day T and Th 8-11 a.m. @ \$178.00 per month
 - Preschool 4/5's: 4 by August 1
 - M-F 8 a.m.- 3 p.m. @ \$660.00 per month
 - M-F 7 a.m.- 5:30 p.m. @ \$740.00 per month
 - AM ½ day M-F 8- 11 a.m. @ \$425.00 per month
 - PM ½ day M-F 12-3 p.m. @ \$425.00 per month
 - AM ½ day MWF 8-11 a.m. @ \$266.00 per month
 - PM ½ day MWF 12-3 p.m. @ \$266.00 per month
 - School day MWF 8 a.m.-3 p.m. @ \$410.00 per month
 - All day MWF 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m. @ \$460.00 per month
- [Saint James Lutheran School](#), 615 N 8th St Lafayette, IN
 - *Email julieg@stjameslaf.org for tuition information
 - Childcare: Nursery 6 weeks – 15 months
 - Toddler Room: 15 months- 24 months
 - Half day Preschool: 7:30-12:30
 - Full day Preschool: 7:30-5:25
 - Preschool 2's: 2 by Aug 1
 - Preschool 3's: 3 by Aug 1 and potty-trained
 - Pre-kindergarten: 4 by Aug 1
- [Faith West/East Preschool](#), 1920 Northwestern Ave Building 3 West Lafayette, IN
 - *Same price for both locations. Contact for tour to find out more information.

- Early 3's @ \$38.89 per week
- K3 @ \$55.00 per week
- K4 @ \$72.22 per week
- Preschool Full Time @ \$161 per week
- K5-full day @ \$538.00 per month
- K5-half day @ \$395.00 per month
- Village Nursery, 1700 IN-26, West Lafayette, IN
 - Preschool 2's: 2 by Aug 1
 - T/Th, 9:20-11:50am @ \$95.00 for 2 classes per week
 - T/Th, 12:30-3pm @ \$95.00 for 2 classes per week
 - MWF, 9:20-11:50am @ \$130 for 3 classes per week
 - Preschool 3: 3 by Aug 1
 - T/Th, 9:20-11:50am @ \$95.00 for 2 classes per week
 - MWF, 9:20-11:50am @ \$130 for 3 classes per week
 - T/W/Th, 12:30-3pm (for older 3/4/5 year-olds) @ \$130 for 3 classes per week
 - Pre-Kindergarten: Must be 4 by Aug 1
 - MWF, 9:20-11:50am @ \$130.00 for 3 classes per week
 - T/W/TH, 12:30-3pm (for older 3/4/5 year-olds) @ \$130.00 for 3 classes per week
 - M-F, 9:20-11:50am @ \$210.00 for 5 classes per week
 - Preschool Spanish: Must be 4 by Aug 1
 - T/Th, 9:20-11:50am @ \$100 per month for 2 classes per week
 - P.I.T.: Class for toddlers 12-24 months
 - T, W, Th, or F 9:30-11 @ \$125/semester
 - Stay and Play: 12 months and walking
 - 8:45-12pm @ \$25.00 flat rate
- Little Bronchos (Offered through Lafayette Public Schools--Inside Linnwood, early childhood center)
 - AM Program
 - M-F, 9-11:30am @ \$50.00 per week
 - PM Program
 - M-F, 12:15-2:45pm @ \$50 per week

Day/Child Care

- [Christ United Methodist Church Early Learning](#), 3610 S 18th St Lafayette, IN
 - All day care options

Parks and Recreation

Playgrounds and Parks

- Indiana Dunes National Park
 - May be a fee for parking, but presenting a military ID may waive the fee YMMV
 - Recommend a different beach as this sits between several refineries in Gary, IN
- Turkey Run State Park
 - One of the nicest places to hike in Indiana (1hr south of West Lafayette)
 - Hiking, camping, kayaking, Horseback riding
- Celery Bog (West Lafayette)
 - 1620 Lindberg Rd West Lafayette, IN
 - Great running trails near off-campus apartments
 - 4.3 Miles paved trails
- Fair Oaks Farms
 - Off of I-65 Exit 220, 45 minutes north of West Lafayette
 - GREAT ice cream if you're going to/from northern Indiana!
 - Has tours of their milking and pork operations. You likely haven't seen anything like this...the kids will enjoy it...and expect that you will too!
 - They also have an up-scale restaurant on site...reservations may be required.
- Happy Hollow, 1301 Happy Hollow Rd West Lafayette, IN 47906
 - Site of PMRI Fall Gathering
 - The park contains 2 accessible playgrounds for ages 2-5 and 5-12, an open turf area and 5 picnic shelters. This park has parking lots. This also has a trail system with a winding creek kids can splash in.
- Columbian Park/Zoo, 1915 Scott St Lafayette, IN
 - Refurbished and developed in 2020/2021
 - The park has five different playgrounds ranging from ages 2-12, numerous picnic shelters, with on street parking. There is a parking lot near tropicanoe cove.
 - New Baseball Field called Loeb Field
 - Semi-professional baseball, Family friendly
 - Zoo
 - \$2/person or family pass for ~ \$30
 - Tropicanoe Cove (Water Park)
 - Train rides for children
 - Paddleboats
 - Carousel and Fishing in the future
- Munger Park, 3505 Greenbush St Lafayette, IN 47905
 - This park has one playground with three swings. The primary focus at this park is a stocked fishing pond, and a 0.9 mile loop trail that curves around the pond starting at the playground.
- McCaw Park, 3745 Union St Lafayette, IN 47905
 - The playground is situated on poured-in-place rubber surfacing, ensuring that all people can gain access to the facility.
- Tapawingo Park, Tapawingo Dr. West Lafayette, IN 47906
 - This is not a huge playground but has access to trails and is where you can ice skate outside in the winter.
- Armstrong, 821 Beck Lane Lafayette, IN 47909
 - This park is also where Castaway Bay is housed.

- Lommel, 300 Wilshire Avenue West Lafayette, IN 47906
 - Two playgrounds, balance beam, lots of swings. Can get muddy after a rain.
- Murdock, 2100 Cason Street Lafayette, IN 47904
 - Tot and multi-age playgrounds, a redesigned 18-hole disc golf course
 - Sled Run for the Winter with artificial snow
- University Farm Park, 490 LaGrange St. West Lafayette, IN 47906
 - This park has tons of pinecones if you ever are looking to find some for a project. This park has off street parking.
- Peck-Trachtman, 3300 Dubois St West Lafayette, IN 47906
 - There is a climbing boulder. This is an awesome park across the street from the West Lafayette Farmers Market.
- Prophetstown State Park, 5545 Swisher Rd West Lafayette, IN 47906
 - This state park has three playgrounds, one in the camping section, and two off the main road after the water park.
 - Entrance fees for in state license is \$7.00 daily, out of state is \$9.00 daily or \$50.00 annual entrance permit to all State Parks in Indiana.
 - free during winter months
 - Camping, fishing, native interpretation sites, farm / homestead with live animals
 - Free Halloween event for kids
- Cumberland Park, 3065 N. Salisbury St West Lafayette, IN 47906
 - This park is where the West Lafayette Farmers market is held during the summer. It has a brand new playground next to the wellness center.
 - It also has garden plots that the community can rent out or they will allow nonprofits to use one of the four available based on first ask before season starts.

Festivals in Lafayette/West Lafayette

- Starry Night (West Lafayette, September)
- Sunflower Festival (Wea Orchard 3rd Weekend in July)
- Christmas Parade (Downtown Lafayette)
 - Early-December, family-friendly, entertaining, cold, over an hour long
 - Bring blankets and hot-chocolate

Gun Shops

- 4 Guns
- Applied Ballistics Gun Range (+rentals)

Motorcycle

- Hunter's Moon Harley Davidson
 - <https://huntersmoonhd.com/>
- Indian Motorcycle of Lafayette
 - <https://www.indianmotorcycleoflafayette.com/>

Ice Cream

- Original Frozen Custard
 - <https://www.originalfrozcustard.com/>
- Silver Dipper (Campus and West Lafayette)
 - <http://www.silverdipper.com/>
- Igloo Frozen Custard
 - <https://igloofrozcustard.com/>

- Budge's
 - <https://www.budgesdrivein.com/>

Food Local Restaurant Favorites

Mary Lou Donuts 1830 S 4 th St Lafayette, IN	Mamma Ines- Mexican Bakery 518 Sagamore Parkway N Lafayette, IN	Sweet Revolution Bakery 109 N 5 th St Lafayette, IN	McCord's Candies Old fashioned soda locally made candy canes 536 Main St Lafayette, IN
Café Literato 1920 Northwestern Ave West Lafayette, IN	Greyhouse Coffee Delicious crepes 100 Northwestern Ave West Lafayette, IN		
South Street Smoke House 3305 South St Lafayette, IN	Triple XXX Homemade root beer 2 N Salisbury St West Lafayette, IN	DT Kirbys Good burgers 644 Main St Lafayette, IN	Bru Burger 101 Main Street Suite 100 Lafayette, IN
Red Seven 200 Main St Lafayette, IN	East End Grill 1016 Main St Lafayette, IN	The Bryant 1820 Sagamore Parkway W West Lafayette, IN	Bistro 501 Special Occasions 501 Main St Lafayette, IN
Thai Essence 1534 Win Hentschel Blvd West Lafayette, IN	Maru Sushi Best Sushi 102 N Chauncey Ave D West Lafayette, IN	Katana Sushi and Ramen Good sushi 1048C Sagamore Parkway W West Lafayette, IN	Sharmas Kitchen Best Indian in town 1403 Sagamore Parkway North Lafayette, IN
Bruno's Pizza 212 Brown Street West Lafayette, IN	Fiesta Burrito 2122 Veterans Memorial Parkway Lafayette, IN	La Scala Italian 312 Main Street Lafayette, IN 47901	Another Broken Egg Café Only breakfast and lunch 516 Northwestern Ave #1500 West Lafayette, IN
Silver Dipper Ice Cream 307 sagamore Pkwy W C West Lafayette, IN 201 E State St Lafayette, IN	Budges Drive-in Ice cream and drive in food 1102 N 14 th St Lafayette, IN	Red Mango Frozen Yogurt 102 N. Chauncey Ave Ste B West Lafayette, IN	Town and Gown Bistro Great Brunch 119 N River Rd West Lafayette, IN

Veterinary Clinics

- VCA Paw Prints Animal Hospital, they have a care service that includes dental/shots/everything. Ask for Dr Brandon Cross.
- Low Cost Spay and Neuter (South Lafayette Area)
 - <https://lowcostspayneuterindiana.org/>
 - Bare bones services, but economical for shots, heartworm, flea/tick treatments
- Pets and Vets as Partners, 1220 Montgomery St, West Lafayette, In 47906, 765-463-7877
 - <https://petsandvetsaspartners.com>
- Blair Animal Clinic, 3662 N 250 W, West Lafayette, In 47906
 - <https://www.blairanimalclinic.com>

Groomers

- Pooch At Play Doggie Daycare, 2960 Lindberg Rd, West Lafayette, IN 47906
 - Groomer prioritizes dog comfort over having the best trim, by far the least expensive.

Gyms

- YMCA offers free memberships to military members and their families
 - Just walk in with your CAC and sign some waivers.
 - Do not go through Military OneSource, AFIT, ROTC Units
 - YMCA is very familiar with military and takes care of you
 - Facility built in 2018 and is well maintained
 - Many free fitness classes
 - Swimming lessons \$21/month for children
- Purdue gym - France A. Córdova Recreational Sports Center ("Corec")
 - Membership included with Full-Time Student Status
 - Very Big, Very Nice, VERY busy during Fall and Spring Semesters
 - Free weights, cardio equipment, pool, basketball courts, racquetball courts, rock climbing
 - Currently need to make a reservation online (COVID rule – should end in Fall)
 - Paid classes (cycling/yoga) for ~ \$50/semester unlimited plan
 - Paid lockers ~ \$20/semester
- West Lafayette Wellness Center
 - <https://www.westlafayette.in.gov/departments/index.php?structureid=277>
 - Built in 2021
 - ~ \$70/month for family membership
 - May be able to get fee covered through Military OneSource, but not easy
- Cross Fit "Box" Gyms
 - Placeholder

Useful Academic Information

- PowerPoint Templates for College of Engineering
 - <https://engineering.purdue.edu/Communications/Branding/powerpoint-templates>

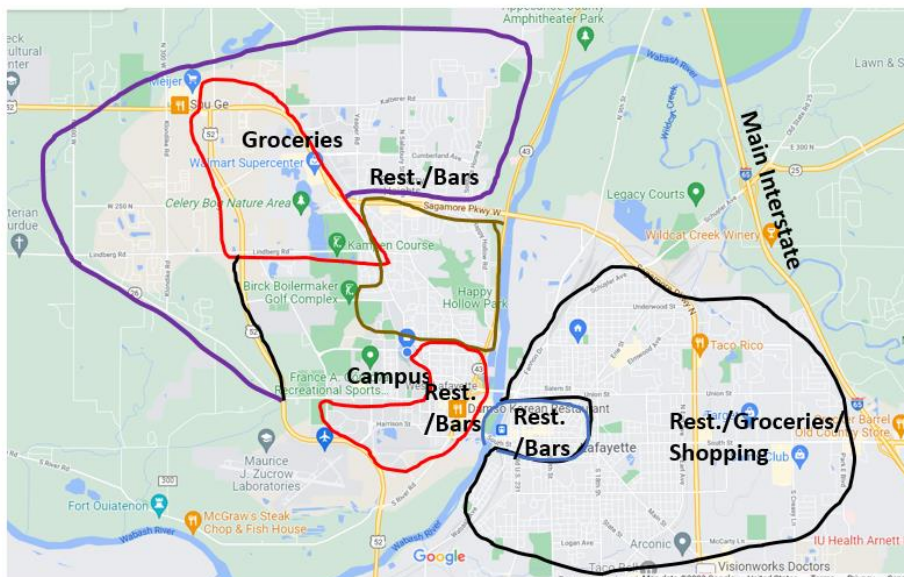
Useful Information for the Greater-Lafayette area

Map of Purdue

- http://www.purdue.edu/campus_map/?_ga=2.190874669.620245064.1626707109-62041572.1612894399

Legend:

-  Undergrad/grad student apts/houses
-  Cheap West Lafayette "suburbia"
-  Ritzier suburbia (professor type)
-  Pretty nice downtown apartment options
-  Cheap Lafayette – cheaper and rougher than West Lafayette



Internet Service Providers

- Comcast seems to have less outages than MetroNet for internet service, based purely on anecdotal evidence from monitoring neighborhood Facebook groups/Nextdoor.com.
 - MetroNet has faster speeds (fiberoptic) and a student discount.

Extra Curriculars for Children

- Soccer
 - Greater Lafayette Regional Soccer Association
 - Inexpensive (50\$/season) with Spring and Fall option
 - Always a need for volunteer coaches
 - <http://www.glrso.org/clubsite/?p=5998>
 - Soccer Shots
 - Skills based soccer training/class
 - More expensive
 - Class consists of practice/game
- Malone's Gymnastics
 - Semesterly schedule with varying price by age.
 - Summer camps are offered as well
 - <https://www.malonesgym.com/>
- CUMC Cheer and Basketball League
 - January through March
 - Kindergarten to 5th Grade
 - 60\$ per child
 - Practice once per week, game on Saturday
 - Shirts, poms, and end of year gift included in price

- Sporties for Shorties
 - McAllister recreation ages 4-5 to expose them to different sports meeting 4 times
 - Basketball: March- April \$25.00
 - T-ball: April - May \$25.00
 - Soccer: June - July \$25.00
 - Flag Football: August - September- \$25.00
- Lafayette YMCA
 - Various Leagues offered throughout the year

Military OneSource

- MilTax
 - Free HR Block Premium
 - Covers Real Estate, Stocks, Cryptocurrency, etc
 - Must access through link on Military One Source.
 - <https://www.militaryonesource.mil/financial-legal/tax-resource-center/miltax-military-tax-services/>

Student Discounts

- Wall Street Journal
 - \$10/month for daily print delivery and electronic version
- Spotify Premium
 - \$4.99/month
 - Comes with Hulu and Showtime subscriptions

Military Discounts

- AMEX Platinum
 - Get a referral from someone (each person gets ~ \$500 after conditions met)
 - Many benefits and offers throughout the year
 - Fees waived for military
- Chase Sapphire Reserve
 - Fees waived for military
 - ~ \$200 travel credits
- Rakuten (cashback website)
 - <https://www.rakuten.com/r/ILLINI140?eeid=28187>
- Home Depot / Lowes
 - Menard's does not offer a military discount
- NEX (Navy version of AAFES)
- AAFES
 - No tax
 - TV sales in September/Superbowl
 - Apple (iPad) sales (no recycle fees) in November
 - Furniture sales around Veteran's Day
 - Military Clothing / Uniforms

Attractions

- Chicago
 - Field Museum
 - Museum of Science and Industry
 - Art Institute of Chicago
 - Grant Park
 - Navy Pier

- Zoos
 - Brookfield Zoo (paid admission)
 - Lincoln Park Zoo (free)
- Sporting Venues
- Indianapolis
 - Zoo
 - Children's Museum
 - Raceway
- Fort Wayne
 - Children's Zoo
- Cedar Point (midway between Toledo and Cleveland, Ohio)
- King's Island (Mason, Ohio)
- Six Flags (Gurnee, Illinois)
- Indiana Beach (about 15 miles from West Lafayette in Indiana)
- Holiday World (Santa Claus, In)

Airports (shuttle services to each for ~ \$25/way)

- O'Hare
 - 2-2.5 hour drive
 - United, Delta, American, Southwest,
 - USO lounge older, but nice/large
 - Near rotunda after TSA
- Indianapolis Airport
 - One hour drive,
 - Nice / newer airport
 - New / smaller USO before TSA
 - Smaller airport in general

Churches

- Blessed Sacrament (West Lafayette)
 - Contemporary Catholic worship
 - Cry room
 - Spanish speaking services
- St Mary (Lafayette)
 - Cathedral for Lafayette-in-Indiana dioceses
 - In between contemporary and traditional service
 - Broadcast on TV
- St Boniface (Lafayette)
 - Most traditional Catholic service in Lafayette
 - Family friendly (but no cry room)
 - Weird sound/echo issues depending on where you sit
 - 6:30 am daily mass, Oktoberfest in Fall
- St Lawrence (Lafayette)
 - Traditional Catholic service
 - Managed/served by same priest as St Boniface (semi-combined parish with St Boniface)
- St Anne Church and Shrine (Lafayette)
 - Sister parish to St Mary's
 - In between contemporary and traditional service
 - 7 am daily mass
 - Smaller church with limited seating...can become crowded
- St Thomas (campus)
 - Contemporary Catholic worship
 - More student-oriented
- Christ United Methodist Church
 - Free vacation bible school for children

Spouses and Families

Spouse Support Network

- Please have your spouse connect with other spouses while you are here as a student, especially if you have children.
- There is a Facebook Messenger group for your spouse to stay connected with other spouses and there are quarterly meetups.

Spouse Employment

- Lots of jobs are available in the local area between Purdue, Arconic, Tate and Lyle, Ivy tech, schools, Franciscan/IU Health, etc

Seasonal Family Events

Fall:

Purdue Kids Boilermaker Club The Boilermaker Kids Club is the official kids club for Boilermaker fans in 8th grade and under. Memberships are only \$35 and include swag, invitations to exclusive events, free tickets and more!	Exploration Acres 6042 Newcastle Rd. Lafayette, IN 47905 Corn Maze Sept 17-Oct 30 Hours Thursday- Sunday Pumpkin patch, apple cider, corn/sunflower maze, little activity areas, farm, and food trucks. Sunflower maze(August) Corn Maze and Pumpkin Patch (September and October)	Kent's Cucurbits LLC 1595 E State Road 18 Brookston, IN 47923 September 18 th - Apple Popcorn Festival Pre- picked Pumpkin, Decorative Squash, Dried Gourds, and Corn Maze. Garden Mums, straw bales, Indian corn. September 11- October 31 Hours Tuesday- Sunday https://kentscucurbits.com
21 petals 748 E 700 S Lafayette, IN 47909 https://www.21petalsflowerfarm.com/ You pick Flowers. Around \$35.00 for a 5 gallon bucket.	Hillside Acres 9811 N county Road 600 W Rossville, IN 46065 August 28 th open Thursday- Sat Pumpkin Patch, Timber Town, corn maze, sunflower trail, apples, country market. Admission Thursday \$8.00 per person, Friday/Sat \$10.00 per person. 4 and under free	St. Boniface German Fest St. Boniface Church 318 N 9 th St Lafayette, IN Sept 11 5 pm \$5.00 per adult, 18 and under free

	<p>Admission includes entrance into timber town, corn maze and hay rides.</p> <p>https://hillsideacresfamilyfarm.com/activities-admission/</p>	<p>Enter and exit at 8th and ferry streets and 9th and ferry streets.</p>
<p>Covington Apple Fest</p> <p>Court House Square Covington, IN Sept 25th @ 9am</p>	<p>Bacon Festival August 28 Delphi, IN</p>	<p>Feast of the Hunter's Moon October 9-10 Fort Ouiatenon 3129 S. River Road West Lafayette, IN 47906</p>
<p>Trail of Scarecrows at Prophetstown Park</p> <p>Usually open beginning of October until first week of November. Prophetstown has a mile trail lined with decorated scarecrows from organizations in the city.</p> <p>A prairie maze occasionally is available too.</p>	<p>Boilermaker Special Free rides Fridays before home games on campus</p>	<p>Malones Gymnastics Open Gym once a week during school hours One hour \$4.00 per walking child</p>

Winter:

<p>Faith East Oasis Park</p> <p>\$2.00 per child, indoor play space</p>	<p>Northend Community Center</p> <p>\$2.00 per child, indoor play space</p> <p>Smaller than faith east but has a more contained young kid space.</p>	<p>McCord's</p> <p>Candy Cane Making Class</p>
<p>Carmel Christkindlmarkt</p> <p>Nov 24-Dec 24 Offers military appreciation day, free hot chocolate on this day</p>	<p>Get Air</p> <p>Tuesdays and Thursdays 10 a.m.-12 p.m. dedicated toddler time</p>	<p>Elite Air</p> <p>Trampoline park</p>
<p>Purdue Union Christmas Tree and Gingerbread House</p> <p>Purdue union houses a fresh cut tree in the union along with a 7 foot tall gingerbread house. Early December arrival, leave week after finals.</p>	<p>Sledding behind Happy Hollow School- Salisbury and Kingston</p>	<p>Riverside Skating Center</p> <p>Outdoor skating center</p> <p>Family Night Wednesdays- Children 16 and under free skate rental with paid adult</p> <p>Offer lessons during week \$5.00 per person \$3.00 skate rental</p>
<p>Imagination Station</p> <p>Small, indoor children's museum</p> <p>Adult: \$7.00 2 and up: \$ 7.00 Members: Free</p> <p>600 North 4th street Lafayette</p>	<p>Flourish Classroom and Studio</p> <p>Classes during the week</p>	<p>Dulls Tree Farm</p> <p>1765 W. Blubaugh Ave. Thorntown, IN 46071 Cut your own Christmas trees, has kid area for play when visiting.</p>

Spring:

<p style="text-align: center;">Columbian Park Zoo</p> <p>Offers summer and spring classes for all ages</p> <p>Open Mid- April – Mid October Season pass: 50 pass for family Adult and Kid: \$2.00 per person over 2</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Purdue Horticulture Park</p> <p>1600 W. State Street West Lafayette, IN</p> <p>Great for walking, picnicking, and large open green space</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Purdue Baseball Games</p> <p>Preseason Fest mid February- skill stations for kids</p> <p>Halloween Game- Free, players dress up in costumes play three innings then kids trick or treat.</p>
<p>West Lafayette Farmers Market May- October; Wednesday 3:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Huffman Berry Farm 7910 E 300 N Lafayette, IN 47905 U-pick Strawberries. May- June</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Little Bird Lane Consignment Sale</p> <p>Two annual sales, one in spring before spring break and one in fall before Halloween.</p> <p>Consign items or go shop for new to you items. Follow their Facebook page for dates.</p>

Summer:














<p style="text-align: center;">Aviators Baseball Games</p> <p>Season starts end of May, beginning of June</p> <p>Season Tickets- \$225.00 10 tickets for \$80.00</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Tippecanoe County 4H Fair</p> <p>July 16-23,2022 Animals, carnival rides and other additional fun experiences.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Annie's Orchard</p> <p>9624 W. 75 S West Lafayette, IN 47906 Open June- September. Cherries, blueberries, peaches, nectarines, strawberries, apples Follow their Facebook page for updates.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Indiana Dunes</p> <p>Free with National Park Pass, can get at the gate</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Wea Creek Orchard</p> <p>5618 South 200 East Lafayette, IN 47909 July- Oct Thursday- Sunday Apples, peaches, pumpkins, Sunflowers.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Purdue Loeb Fountain</p> <p>During the summer while students are away the kids come out to play. This fountain is a great free place for young and older children to run around and play. It is essentially a free splash pad right on campus.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Remington Splash Pad</p> <p>Free Splash pad with two playgrounds and walking path</p> <p>16505 S 630 W Remington, IN 47977</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Tropicanoe Cove</p> <p>Located in Columbia Park Memorial Day- Labor Day Season Pass: \$150.00, additional family members \$50.00 Over 48 inches: \$9.00 Under 48 inches: \$7.00</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Castaway Bay</p> <p>Located in Armstrong Park Memorial Day- Labor Day \$5.00 per person Season pass: \$75.00 initial, then \$25.00 additional member</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Delphi Canal Park 4th of July Festival</p> <p>Trail walks, activities for children, parade, canal boat playground, and ride the canal boat.</p> <p>1030 North Washington St. Delphi, IN 46923</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Corn Wagon</p> <p>Parks in West Lafayette pizza hut parking lot Fresh veggies in season</p>	


Hiking Trails

Celery Bog Nature Center with restrooms 1620 Lindberg Rd West Lafayette, IN 4.3 miles paved trails	Fall Creek Gorge Steep walled canyons, tumbling waters 1598 N 025 E Williamsport, IN 47993	Prophets Rock Hike 0.7 mile trail that connects to Wabash Heritage Trail Located in Tippecanoe battlefield park
Prophetstown State park 5545 Swisher Road West Lafayette, IN 47906	Tippecanoe Battlefield Park 200 Battle Ground Avenue Battle Ground, IN	Clegg Botanical Garden N 400 E Lafayette, IN 1.1 mile lightly trafficked loop trail
Amphitheatre Trails 4449 IN-43 West Lafayette, IN 2.5 mile loop	Williamsport Falls 1.6 mile loop trail Waterfalls 25 N Monroe St Williamsport, IN 47993	

Appendix A: Military Ranks

Air Force

Enlisted			No Insignia
E-1	AB	Airman Basic	
E-2	Amn	Airman	
E-3	A1C	Airman First Class	
E-4	SrA	Senior Airman	
E-5	SSgt	Staff Sergeant	
E-6	Tsgt	Technical Sergeant	
E-7	MSgt	Master Sergeant	
E-7	MSgt	Master Sergeant (with diamond)	
E-8	SMSgt	Senior Master Sergeant	
E-8	SMSgt	Senior Master Sergeant (with diamond)	
E-9	CMSgt	Chief Master Sergeant	
E-9	CMSGT	Chief Master Sergeant (with diamond)	
E-9	CCM	Command Chief Master Sergeant	
E-9 Special	CMSAF	Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force	



Officer			
O-1	2 nd Lt	Second Lieutenant	
O-2	1 st Lt	First Lieutenant	
O-3	Capt	Captain	
O-4	Maj	Major	
O-5	Lt Col	Lieutenant Colonel	
O-6	Col	Colonel	
O-7	Brig Gen	Brigadier General	
O-8	Maj Gen	Major General	
O-9	Lt Gen	Lieutenant General	
O-10	Gen	General	
Special	GAF	General of the Air Force	












Space Force

		Enlisted	
E1	Specialist 1	Spc1	Preferred term is Specialist but Spec1 or Specialist 1 are both acceptable
E2	Specialist 2	Spc2	Preferred term is Specialist but Spec2 or Specialist 2 are both acceptable
E3	Specialist 3	Spc3	Preferred term is Specialist but Spec3 or Specialist 3 are both acceptable
E4	Specialist 4	Spc4	Preferred term is Specialist but Spec4 or Specialist 4 are both acceptable
E5	Sergeant	Sgt	Sergeant
E6	Technical Sergeant	TSgt	Sergeant or Technical Sergeant or Tech Sergeant
E7	Master Sergeant	MSgt	Sergeant or Master Sergeant
E8	Senior Master Sergeant	SMSgt	Senior or Senior Master Sergeant
E9	Chief Master Sergeant	CMSgt	Chief or Chief Master Sergeant
E9	Chief Master Sergeant of the Space Force	CMSSF	Chief or Chief Master Sergeant of the Space Force

Officer			
O1	Second Lieutenant	2d Lt	Second Lieutenant or Lieutenant
O2	First Lieutenant	1st Lt	First Lieutenant or Lieutenant
O3	Captain	Capt	Captain
O4	Major	Maj	Major
O5	Lieutenant Colonel	Lt Col	Lieutenant Colonel or Colonel
O6	Colonel	Col	Colonel
O7	Brigadier General	Brig Gen	Brigadier General or General
O8	Major General	Maj Gen	Major General or General
O9	Lieutenant General	Lt Gen	Lieutenant General or General
O10	General	Gen	General




Army

		Enlisted	No Insignia
E-1	PVT	Private	
E-2	PV2	Private 2	
E-3	PFC	Private First Class	
E-4	SPC	Specialist	
E-4	CPL	Corporal	
E-5	SGT	Sergeant	
E-6	SSG	Staff Sergeant	
E-7	SFC	Sergeant First Class	
E-8	MSG	Master Sergeant	
E-8	1SG	First Sergeant	
E-9	SGM	Sergeant Major	
E-9	CSM	Command Sergeant Major	
E-9 Special	SMA	Sergeant Major of the Army	












Officer			
O-1	2LT	2 nd Lieutenant	
O-2	1LT	1 st Lieutenant	
O-3	CPT	Captain	
O-4	MAJ	Major	
O-5	LTC	Lieutenant Colonel	
O-6	COL	Colonel	
O-7	BG	Brigadier General	
O-8	MG	Major General	
O-9	LTG	Lieutenant General	
O-10	Gen	General	
Special	GOA	General of the Army	

Navy






Enlisted

			No Insignia
E-1	SR	Seaman Recruit	
E-2	SA	Seaman Apprentice	
E-3	SN	Seaman	
E-4	PO3	Petty Officer 3 rd Class	
E-5	PO2	Petty Officer 2 nd Class	
E-6	PO1	Petty Officer 1 st Class	
E-7	CPO	Chief Petty Officer	
E-8	SCPO	Senior Chief Petty Officer	
E-9	MCPO	Master Chief Petty Officer	
E-9		Fleet / Command Master Chief Petty Officer	
E-9	MCPON	Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy	



Officer
















O-1	ENS	Ensign	
O-2	LTJG	Lieutenant Junior Grade	
O-3	LT	Lieutenant	
O-4	LCDR	Lieutenant Commander	
O-5	CDR	Commander	
O-6	CAPT	Captain	
O-7	RDML	Read Admiral (lower half)	
O-8	RADM	Read Admiral (upper half)	
O-9	VADM	Vice Admiral	
O-10	ADM	Admiral	
O-11	FADM	Fleet Admiral	

Warrant Officers Ranks

W-1	WO1	Warrant Officer 1* NO LONGER IN USE	
W-2	CWO2	Chief Warrant Officer 2	
W-3	CWO3	Chief Warrant Officer 3	
W-4	CWO4	Chief Warrant Officer 4	
W-5	CWO5	Chief Warrant Officer 5 (Established 2002)	

Marines

		Enlisted	
E-1	PVT	Private	No Insignia
E-2	PFC	Private First Class	
E-3	LCpl	Lance Corporal	
E-4	Cpl	Corporal	
E-5	Sgt	Sergeant	
E-6	SSgt	Staff Sergeant	
E-7	GySgt	Gunnery Sergeant	
E-8	1stSgt	First Sergeant	
E-8	MSgt	Master Sergeant	
E-9	MGySgt	Master Gunnery Sergeant	
E-9	SgtMaj	Sergeant Major	
E-9 Special	SgtMaj MarCor	Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps	











		Officer		
O-1	2ndLt	2 nd Lieutenant		
O-2	1stLt	1 st Lieutenant		
O-3	Capt	Captain		
O-4	Maj	Major		
O-5	LtCol	Lieutenant Colonel		
O-6	Col	Colonel		
O-7	BGen	Brigadier General		
O-8	MajGen	Major General		
O-9	LtGen	Lieutenant General		
O-10	Gen	General		
W-1	WO	Warrant Officer		
W-2	CWO2	Chief Warrant Officer 2		
W-3	CWO3	Chief Warrant Officer 3		
W-4	CWO4	Chief Warrant Officer 4		
W-5	CWO5	Chief Warrant Officer 5		

Coast Guard

Enlisted

E-1	SR	Seaman Recruit	
E-2	SA	Seaman Apprentice	
E-2	FA	Fireman Apprentice	
E-2	AA	Airman Apprentice	
E-3	SN	Seaman	
E-3	FN	Fireman	
E-3	AN	Airman	
E-4	PO3	Petty Officer 3 rd Class	
E-5	PO2	Petty Officer 2 nd Class	
E-6	PO1	Petty Officer 1 st Class	
E-7	CPO	Chief Petty Officer	
E-8	SCPO	Senior Chief Petty Officer	
E-9	MCPO	Master Chief Petty Officer	
E-9	CMC	Command Master Chief Petty Officer	
E-10	MCPOCG	Master Chief Petty Officer of the Coast Guard	

Officer

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O-9	VADM	Vice Admiral	
O-10	ADM	Admiral Chief of Naval Operation / Commandant of the Coast Guard	

Warrant Officers Ranks

W-2	CWO2	Chief Warrant Officer 2	
W-3	CWO3	Chief Warrant Officer 3	
W-4	CWO4	Chief Warrant Officer 4	