

Sill has robust foreign disclosure program

Did you know that Fort Sill had more than 400 foreign students attend classes and about 150 international visit requests processed last year?

There are 10 countries participating in our Foreign Liaison Officer and Personnel Exchange programs, and an additional country will be added this summer.

G2 coordinates, reviews and judges foreign government requests for information on a daily basis and reviews programs of instruction and lesson plans before courses are taught to international military students.

This facilitates the sharing of information with our foreign partners and supports the building partnership capacity effort.

Recently Angela Wood,

Headquarters, Training and Doctrine Command foreign disclosure officer, conducted a staff assistance visit of Fort Sill's foreign disclosure program March 25-26. The staff assistance visit was designed to measure the effectiveness of Fort Sill's program. The outcome was commendable. Wood met with the Directorate of Training and Doctrine program developers, foreign disclosure representatives and contact officers, presented briefings and provided a forum to answer questions and discuss issues that relate to supporting foreign visitors at Fort Sill.

Due to the lack of training currently available for foreign disclosure representatives and officers, and contact officers, Wood's intention was to create an elec-



Did you know?

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tronic foreign disclosure handbook to provide relevant content and related training and educational materials to enhance the professional development and effectiveness of the Army's foreign disclosure workforce with their duties. Fort Sill's contribution to the new handbook includes:

Foreign disclosure review worksheet. Upon review of the program of instruction and lesson process it was noted that Fort Sill has changed and improved upon the review process. All TRADOC programs of

instruction must be reviewed and given a foreign disclosure rating prior to foreign students attending any TRADOC course. Courses may either be completely releasable, partially restricted or not releasable at all. In the past, compact discs and electronic documents were given by the program developers to the foreign disclosure officer to make the determination whether information was releasable or not. The foreign disclosure officer would spend hours looking over the slides and docu-

ments for any references contained within in the hopes of capturing any references that were used to develop lessons. This is no longer the case. A foreign disclosure worksheet is now submitted by the program developers to the foreign disclosure officer with every reference for each lesson and each lesson plan is compiled into a complete program of instruction. Each reference, overall lesson and program of instruction is given a foreign disclosure rating which allows the foreign disclosure officer and security assistance training field activity to provide accurate information to foreign partners regarding the releasability of courses to International Military Students. The worksheet and explanation of why this is

considered a best practice will be added to the foreign disclosure workbook.

Foreign Disclosure Release Memorandum. Fort Sill was noted for going the extra mile by requiring a foreign disclosure memorandum of release from outside presenters coming here that is also considered a best practice. This memorandum requires that the release of information is conducted by the proper authorities at the presenter's home station therefore Fort Sill is not in the business of releasing information it does not own to foreigner visitors.

Wood will return to Fort Sill to participate in the 2012 Security Managers/S2 Conference as a guest speaker and to return for a follow up staff assistance visit in August.

LPS discusses plans for new post school

By Keith Mitchell,
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The plan to build a new elementary school at Fort Sill moved one step closer to becoming a reality when the Lawton Public Schools was invited this week to submit an application for up to \$37.2 million in federal funds for the project.

Lawton Public Schools received a letter from the Office of Economic Adjustment April 2 inviting it to submit a formal application for an amount not to exceed \$37,215,368.

The money would be used to build a new school on post that would replace Geronimo Road Elementary and Sheridan Road Elementary schools.

"This is fantastic news for the Lawton-Fort Sill community," said Barry Beauchamp, LPS superintendent. "It is a true win for our children and our school district. The members of the Lawton Board of Education, the leadership of Fort Sill and many citizens of our community have worked extremely hard to gather resources and support for this project, and it is very rewarding to see such a wonderful collaborative effort result in this special opportunity. We will be diligently working over the next month to complete the formal application and hopefully will start construction in late summer or early fall."

Fort Sill officials were equally excited to learn of the invitation.

"This is great news for our Soldiers and their families, and will certainly enhance the quality of education our children receive," said Col. Paul Hossenlopp, Fort Sill Garrison commander. "Without question, this highlights the commitment of the Defense Department, the Army and our local community in supporting a second-to-none quality of life for our military families."

The receipt of the invitation is the latest in a lengthy process by LPS and Fort Sill to obtain funding to build a new elementary school.

Nearly a year ago, Under

Secretary of the Army Joseph Westphal personally visited Fort Sill to tour the two schools and meet with LPS and Fort Sill leaders. In September, LPS was instructed to prepare a proposal outlining the replacement of the two facilities. The action was taken after the Department of Defense set aside \$250 million in funds to upgrade aging and overcrowded public schools on military installations. Both Geronimo Road and Sheridan Road schools were on the secretary of defense's priority list of schools designated as needing replacement.

A five-member delegation from Fort Sill and LPS traveled to Washington, D.C., in

October to discuss the scope of the project with an Oklahoma Education Association evaluation team. The OEA made a site visit in December to validate the proposal and determine if it adequately addressed the outlined needs.

In the nearly four months since the site visit, Beauchamp said numerous inquiries and requests for information have been fielded by the local team as it worked to determine a clear cost estimate for the project.

The superintendent indicated the April 2 letter inviting LPS to complete the final portion of the application process means the district could receive final word within the next four to six weeks. Current

plans call for final completion of a design so that the bidding process to construct the school can take place in August.

The new school will sit immediately south of the present Geronimo Road Elementary School and will serve as many as 1,400 students — the student populations of the two current Fort Sill schools, along with future growth generated by Buffalo Soldier Acres, a new housing unit on post, Hossenlopp said.

The new school will be constructed in a campus-type setting made up of multiple buildings connected by a central hallway leading to shared administrative, athletic, cafeteria and auditorium facilities.

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RACH relocations

The following is a list of clinic relocations in April by Reynolds Army Community Hospital.

Physical therapy will temporarily relocate to Building 2776, Ringgold Road April 27 and will start seeing patients May 2.

The chiropractic clinic will temporarily relocate April 27 to 3E, rooms 159-160 in the hospital and resume clinic hours May 2.

The pain management clinic will permanently relocate to the internal medicine clinic in the hospital April 3 and will see patients April 4.

Orthopedics and podiatry will remain in the same

area, but will close April 13-14 and reopen April 16.

Internal medicine will make a permanent move to the Family Medical Home on the first floor of RACH in the third week of April and will resume seeing patients April 23.

RACH apologizes for any inconveniences to customers while they finalize renovations to improve the facility.

Garage sale

Permits are on sale now for the postwide garage sale, which is May 5 in the BOLC Parking Lot on Crane Road from 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. Permits for Family & MWR authorized patrons who wish to sell in the BOLC parking lot cost \$20. Permits may be purchased at Adventure Travel in Building 4700. The event is open to the public for shopping.

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