



Fort Sill's Commitment to Health Protection

14 March 2020

Lawton Fort Sill Family,

We are all closely monitoring the impacts of the COVID-19 virus and assessing how it affects you, our Families, the Lawton Fort Sill community, and our mission. As you know, the effects are worldwide and the situation changes rapidly.

While no Fort Sill Soldiers or family members currently have tested positive to date, we are taking preventative necessary steps to minimize the spread of the virus and perform our civic duty to protect others. Our number one priority is our safety while continuing to balance the mission.

The most near-term impact will be domestic travel restrictions. As you may already know, DOD has suspended all domestic travel including leave, PCS, and TDY effective 16 March until 11 May 2020. Leave will be restricted to the local area. The decision was made to help reduce the spread of COVID-19 and to keep you and your family safe. The health, safety, and welfare of you and your family will always be our top priority.

With spring break for Lawton Public Schools currently underway we understand the timing of this is inconvenient and the situation is rapidly evolving. Many of our families have already started leave as part of spring break. There will not be a recall off of leave back to Fort Sill and we hope that where ever you are you take appropriate precautions for you and your family. We look forward to seeing all of you back healthy, recharged, and safe here at Fort Sill.

We will continue to provide frequent information and updates on the situation on Fort Sill. We encourage everyone to continue to take steps to protect yourself from this virus like washing your hands, maintaining social distancing, and avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth when out. It is important to follow the CDC and watch your local news for updates.

Thank you for your service; it is truly an honor to serve alongside each and every one of you.

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