

2025 WINTER PROGRAM GUIDE



ARMED SERVICES YMCA

Armed Services YMCA of Alaska

Registration for All Programs Opens November 3.

Get ready to register! Make sure your ASYMCA program account is up to date or create a free account at alaska.asymca.org.

All programs are open to Active Duty Military members and their families.

KICKSLED RENTALS

Eielson AFB & Ft. Wainwright

Experience Alaska winters on a kicksled! Kicksleds may be reserved online at alaska.asymca.org/seasonal-programs. Call 907-353-5962 for details.

- Eielson: Available until December 31
- Ft. Wainwright: Available until breakup

NEW! CUPS & CONVERSATIONS

Eielson AFB & Ft. Wainwright

Come have a cup of coffee and join in some conversations with ASYMCA staff and special guests! Hear about upcoming programs and share feedback. Location will rotate between offices at Fort Wainwright and Eielson AFB. We will meet 10:00–11:00 a.m. on the following dates:

- Ft. Wainwright: November 7 and January 2
- Eielson: December 5 and February 6

HOLIDAY MEAL INGREDIENTS

JBER, Ft. Wainwright, & Eielson AFB

Starting in November, stop by our Marketplaces to check our special holiday shelves! We'll have all the traditional items for a holiday meal. Shelves will also be stocked with ingredients that represent our diverse community.

- Mondays–Fridays from 8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
- November 10–January 10

NEW! FT. GREELY THANKSGIVING MEAL KITS

Ft. Greely

The ASYMCA of Alaska is bringing holiday cheer to our Ft. Greely military families! We are committed to ensuring all military families have the ingredients they need to enjoy a traditional holiday meal. Open to those currently serving (E1–E5). Meals kits will be delivered to Ft. Greely by November 21. Registration is required.

FARMERS MARKET

ASYMCA Welcome Center | JBER

Because of a generous donation, we invite you to a Farmers Market at our JBER Welcome Center. Open to currently serving military and their dependents at no charge. Locally grown whole chickens and root veggies will be available on a first come, first serve basis. You must have an ASYMCA program account to participate. Create your free account at alaska.asymca.org.

- November 24 from 1:00–4:00 p.m.

MILITARY FAMILY NIGHT AT THE REINDEER FARM

Anchorage Area

Join us at the Reindeer Farm for family holiday fun on December 5! Tickets include tour, photo with Santa, and a craft. Registration is required. In partnership with Global Credit Union.

- December 5 with tours from 3:30–6:30 p.m.
- Tickets: \$15/person (no cost for those under 2)

COLLEGE VISIT SCHOLARSHIP

Statewide | Military Teens of Active Duty (E3–E9)

Let the ASYMCA help you tour college with our 2nd annual College Visit Scholarship! One-minute video application required. In partnership with Alaska Airlines and Global Credit Union Foundation.

- Applications accepted online November 3–15
- Want feedback on your application? Sign up for a virtual feedback session with an ASYMCA staff member. Our final session is November 7. Registration is required.

NEW! HOLIDAY TRAIN

Anchorage Area

Take a magical ride on an Alaska Railroad holiday train that the whole family will enjoy! Meet Santa Claus, pose for family photos, get creative with crafts and a coloring contest, win some fun prizes, and more! Each participant must have a ticket. In partnership with Bettisworth North.

- December 7 from 2:00–4:30 p.m.
- Check in is at 1:00 p.m.
- Cost: \$15/person

NEW! WINTER FAMILY FEST

Fairbanks Area

Join us for a family night of cookie decorating, crafts, light snacks, hot chocolate, reindeer, and holiday cheer. One registration per household. In partnership with Global Credit Union.

- December 12 from 4:00–7:00 p.m.
- Musher's Hall, 925 Farmers Loop Rd.
- Cost: \$5/person

TEEN SHOP NIGHT

Fairbanks Area & JBER

Teens, find the perfect presents for your parents at the ASYMCA Bargain Shop during our annual Teen Shop Night! Teens will have special access to Bargain Ships during this event and receive a \$25 store credit. Registration required. Powered by Wounded Warrior Project.

- December 18 from 4:30–6:30 p.m.
- No cost

ANCHORAGE WINTER SPOUSE RETREAT

Anchorage Area

Rest and recharge with a mini retreat! Your 30-minute retreat session includes a massage and a personal photo shoot by a professional photographer. Open to active duty female military spouses. Powered by Wounded Warrior Project.

- January 31 at an Eagle River AirBnB (location will be emailed upon registration)
- Cost: \$50/person

FAIRBANKS WINTER SPOUSE RETREAT

Fairbanks Area

Rest, recharge, and reconnect with our Winter Spouse Retreat. Enjoy activities like crafts, ice skating, skiing, and sizzling bonfires with this daylong retreat. The day will end with a special dinner prepared by Chef Lizzie. Open to active duty female military spouses. Powered by Wounded Warrior Project.

- January 24 at Chena Camp, 2702 Bird Dr.
- Cost: \$50/person

SALUTE TO THE MILITARY

Nominations Accepted Through November 30

The 2026 Salute to the Military will be held February 14 in Anchorage. During this event, we will honor one civic leader and one military spouse. These two awards are peer-nominated and nominations are accepted through November 30! Visit alaska.asymca.org to nominate an outstanding civilian or spouse for:

- Bobby Alexander Civic Leader
- Alaska Military Spouse of the Year

Tickets for the February 14 Salute to the Military event go on sale starting December 1.

CELEBRATE THE HOLIDAYS!

Visit alaska.asymca.org or scan the QR code to learn more or to register for ASYMCA holiday programs.



Questions? Contact us at 907-552-9622 or welcome.center@asymca.org.

