

JFHQ-FRG



..... **And we'rrrrre back!!!** Yes, your newest Family Readiness Group is here to stay. Small steps, big impact! We are so thrilled to report a wonderful showing at our very first FRG event. On August 4th, we hosted a Back to School Supply Give-Away event at Camp Keyes. Operation Homefront donated these wonderful school supplies to our Military Children and what a fabulous cause it was. About 50 families and/or Soldiers made it to our Give-Away and walked home with backpacks or bags full of supplies. We were able to reach over 75 children with school supplies thanks to Operation Homefront and their extraordinary initiative. We met some great Soldiers and families and hope to see everyone again in the future. We had beautiful weather and as part of our event, Mr. Ron Russo from the Maine Military Museum got to spend time giving tours and explaining our Military history to anyone who visited (I told you, you couldn't see this on the Military Channel!). Of course, this couldn't have all happened without the large amount of work from SFC Amber Silvermane, SSG Michael Collins, Michelle Darveau, Mr. Ron Russo, the JFHQ-FRG and lastly the Families for coming out on this gorgeous summer day!



COMING SOON TO AN EMAIL ACCOUNT ASSIGNED TO YOU.....

announcements of benefits, resources, jobs, assistance, etc.!!!! We will soon have our JFHQ's email distribution list set up and be able to send forward these bi-weekly updates to you. Look for it, you will find it so worthwhile! Super offers and great opportunities!

Two resources being offered are **Tutor.com** and **PositiveParentingSolutions.com**. Tutor.com is a free website for Military families and offers 24-hour educational tutoring assistance. Parenting.com is also another free website to assist parents with ideas, questions and support to help in raising your precious child/ren. Both resources are widely used and couldn't come at a better time. Be proactive, don't wait for a struggle. We have this one chance to make it right and we can't always do it all by ourselves. Again, these websites are very worthwhile, a WIN-WIN! I know our FRG members either love using these websites for our own children or can't wait to use them in the near future.

Are you looking to enrich your life? Do you feel good about assisting others and want to find something to help with? PLEASE look no further than our JFHQ's Family Readiness Group. We are always looking for Volunteers to join our Family Readiness Group. We would LOVE to HAVE you, whether it's becoming a Member or helping prepare for events, activities, etc. You may contact us through our email account at: JFHQ-FRG@hotmail.com. It would be so EXCITING to hear from you. Who's going to be our very first email correspondent (gentle, please)?? Also, our next JFHQ-FRG meeting will be held on Friday, September 14th from 12-2 at the Buker School, if you are interested, just let us know.

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