



# Yuma Sizzle

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## Online Academic Skills Course (OASC)

**Peterson's Online Academic Skills Course (OASC) for Military Success is designed for individuals in the U.S. military who want to build their reading comprehension, vocabulary and math skills to pass their exams, excel in their jobs, advance their careers or continue their education.**

### Features and Benefits:

- ◆ Pre-test are given to evaluate strengths and weaknesses in each subject area and to design customized lessons. Learners can then strengthen areas of weakness and reinforce concepts they already know.
- ◆ Interactive games, lessons and flashcards are used to reinforce learning for various learning styles.
- ◆ Practice sets and quizzes are given so learners can assess their progress throughout the course with instant feedback to ensure they understand the material.
- ◆ Post-test are given to measure end-of-course performance. Administrators can also monitor progress through data reporting against the pre-test.
- ◆ The program is self-paced, which allows learners to progress at a comfortable level and retake sections as necessary.
- ◆ Short, medium and full-length versions are available to fit any student's schedule and accommodate time constraints.
- ◆ Learners can access the course online 24/7 from any internet connected computer.

### Getting Started:

1. Go the OASC homepage at [www.petersons.com/dantes](http://www.petersons.com/dantes)
2. Log on as a servicemember
3. Sign in if you have a Petersons account or create a new account
4. Take the Verbal and Math Pre-Tests and begin your coursework

### October Testing

ACT	29th @ 0800-1300
AFCT	15th @ 0830-1200
CLEP/DSST/ College Exams	14th @ 0900-1100 27th @ 0900-1100
DLAB	1st @ 0900-1100
DLPT Part 1- Listening Part 2-Reading Part 1-Listening Part 2-Reading	8th @ 0830-1200 8th @ 1300-1630 20th @ 0830-1200 20th @ 1300-1630
SAT	22nd @ 0800-1400
TABE	9th @ 0900-1100 23rd @ 0900-1100
GED Practice	30th @ 0800-1400

### November Testing

ACT	18th @ 0800-1300
AFCT	19th @ 0830-1300
CLEP/DSST/ College Exams	24th @ 0900-1100
DLAB	5th @ 0900-1100
DLPT Part 1-Listening Part 2-Reading Part 1-Listening Part 2-Reading	4th @ 0830-1200 4th @ 1300-1600 17th @ 0830-1200 17th @ 1300-1600
TABE	6th @ 0900-1100 20th @ 0900-1100

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## MCAS Yuma Station Library News

### Library Hours

Monday-Thursday 0900-2100

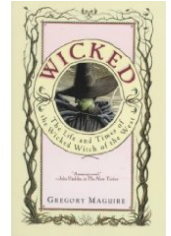
Friday 0900-2000 — Saturday 1000-1700—Sunday 1300-1700



**Did you ever want to learn more about bats? Well, now is your chance. Arizona Western College's BatGuy will presenting a brief on bats at the Station Library on October 21st at 10:00am. Everyone is welcome to attend!**

## BOOK CLUB

**The Book Club is currently reading “Wicked” by Gregory Maguire and will be meeting on Saturday, November 7th at 10:00 to discuss it.**



## ASVAB, ACT, SAT, @ GED Videos

Do you need help in preparing for the ASVAB, ACT, SAT or GED? The Station Library now has ASVAB, ACT, SAT and GED prep videos that can be checked out to assist you in achieving your best scores. A study guide accompanies the videos, which can be downloaded from [videoaidedinstruction.com](http://videoaidedinstruction.com) using code 47762.

## MGIB/Post -9/11 GI Bill Brief

**The monthly MGIB/Post-9/11 GI Bill Brief will be offered at the Education Center (Bldg 850) on October 13th at 1400. The brief discusses the differences between the MGIB and Post-9/11 GI Bill benefits. It is advised that you attend this brief before deciding to transfer over to the new Post-9/11 GI bill.**

**For more information, please contact  
Cindy Harris at 269-3589.**

## Holland's Self-Directed Search (SDS)

The Education Center is pleased to announce the arrival of Holland's Self Directed Search (SDS) assessments. The assessments aide in exploration of careers and majors and are especially helpful for those who may be unsure of what field they would like to pursue.

The SDS is a self-administered, self-scored, and self-interpreted vocational interest inventory, which provides scores on Holland's six occupational themes. Holland's theory states that most people can be loosely categorized into six types—[Realistic](#), [Investigative](#), [Artistic](#), [Social](#), [Enterprising](#), and [Conventional](#)—and that occupations and work environments also can be classified by these categories.

People who choose careers that match their own type are more likely to be both satisfied and successful. A great deal of research shows that a good fit between the worker's interests and his/her work environment is associated with job stability, stable career path, and achievement. Your SDS report can help you to understand more about yourself and how your individual skills and interests are related to your career choice.

Stop by the Education Center to learn more!