13. Community Resources: Education and Family

**Chico Local Schools Information:**
Chico is proud of its activities in education which include California State University, Chico, Butte Community College and the Chico Unified School District with numerous Elementary, Junior, and High Schools. In addition, there are several private schools in the area.

**Educational Options for your Dependent Children:**

**Preschools (Ages 2.5 - 5)**
Pre-school for children below the age of 5 is not mandatory and therefore most pre-schools are privately-owned. You do not need to reserve a space in a preschool prior to your arrival, although spaces at some of the better schools fill up quickly. Before choosing a preschool for your child, you are encouraged to visit several of them to decide where your child would feel most comfortable. Fees range from approximately $375/month (part time) to $1200/month (full time). Most preschools require children to be toilet trained.

**Kindergarten** is usually for half days (morning or afternoon sessions)
**Elementary School** includes Kindergarten through 5th grade.
**Middle School (Junior High School)** includes 6th, 7th and 8th grades
**High School** includes 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th grades.

**Chico Unified School District** manages all public Elementary (including Kindergarten), Junior and High schools. If you have a child, 5-18 years old, you are required to have them attend a school in your neighborhood or a private school of your choice. Please check the Chico Unified School District Website for the location of the public schools serving your residence.

[http://www.chicousd.org/Our-Schools/index.html](http://www.chicousd.org/Our-Schools/index.html)

Please, in person, contact Chico Unified School District Office at:

1163 E. 7th Street
Chico, CA 95928
Telephone: 530 891 3000
Open daily 8am – 5 pm except on public holidays.

**Immunizations:** For verification of required immunizations, take copies of your child’s medical records with you when you meet with school officials.
California State University, Chico

There are nearly 600 hundred International Students at the university representing over forty foreign nations. As a visiting scholar, you and your dependents are not eligible to enroll in courses but your department may arrange for you to occasionally visit some classes when convenient. Dependents may apply for academic admissions to CSU, Chico and, if eligible and admitted, they will have all the privileges and responsibilities as any other admitted international student.

http://www.csuchico.edu/international/