

# Joint Base Charleston South Carolina



# School Information Packet

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## School Liaison Office (SLO) Welcome

Welcome to Joint Base Charleston (JB CHS) and the Palmetto State. This electronic package contains information to help you with the education transition of your school- age children (PK-12). Most of the links in the packet are "live" so you can easily access the information you need using the Ctrl key and your mouse. Contact the School Liaison Office (SLO) with questions/concerns as you transition to the installation/area schools.

**\*\* If a link is not live, copy and paste into your browser\*\***

The Charleston area has a plethora of educational choices/options for your children. The SLO will help you navigate those options upon receipt of orders, ensuring you are armed with the best school information possible. The Tri-County is undergoing tremendous economic growth, housing activity, and of course more schools/traffic.

Feedback on the information contained in the packet is always appreciated. The goal is to get accurate information to families more efficiently. Please "like" the Facebook Page <https://www.facebook.com/jbcharleston.SLO> to stay abreast of educational information.

Additional installation information can be found on the Installation Page for Joint Base Charleston, accessed at: <https://installations.militaryonesource.mil/view-all>

We look forward to working with you. Welcome to Joint Base Charleston and the Palmetto State.

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## **Military Children's Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunities for Military Children** [www.mic3.net](http://www.mic3.net)

- The Compact addresses key educational transition issues encountered by children of military families, including Enrollment, Placement/Attendance, graduation, and extra-curricular activities.
- The Compact is adopted by all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and the Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA).
- The Compact eases educational challenges encountered by military children
- Supports uniform treatment as they transfer between school districts in member states to ensure continuity of education.
- Note: The Compact only applies to public schools

### **The Compact Covers – Children of:**

- Active-duty members of the uniformed services, including
- National Guard and Reserve on active-duty orders (Title 10)
- Members or veterans who are medically discharged or retired for one year
- Members who die on active duty, for a period of one year after death
- Uniformed members of the Commissioned Corps of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA),
- United States Public Health Services (USPHS)

### **The Compact "Does Not" Cover – Children of:**

- Inactive members of the National Guard and Reserves (Not Title 10)
- Members now retired not covered above
- Veterans not covered above
- Other Department of Defense personnel not on active duty
- Members other than the uniformed personnel of NOAA and USPHS

## General Information

### Introduction

Children of military members attend school in the school district where they reside: Charleston, Dorchester 2, Dorchester 4, or Berkeley. Districts provide a full range of PK-12 educational programs, i.e., Career & Technical Education, traditional academic programs, athletics, classes for gifted students and students with special needs. There is also a wide array of magnet, charter, virtual, and private schools available in the area. School starts in mid- August and ends early June for most schools.

### South Carolina Public Schools

Public schools are operated at the county level under the South Carolina Department of Education. Statewide test results, and overall school quality, can vary significantly from school to school within each district. It is recommended you look at the individual report cards, and visit each campus, as you make your housing decision.

- Test Scores: <https://ed.sc.gov/data/test-scores/>
- School Report Cards & Comparison Tool: <https://screportcards.com>
- State Standards (Family Friendly): <https://eoc.sc.gov/families>

### Attendance Policies/Look up Attendance Zones

According to state law, students attend assigned public schools within their district of residence. If in doubt, call the district or the School Liaison Office. There are charter schools that draw from all areas of the state regardless of residence.

Berkeley County: [https://gis.berkeleycountysc.gov/maps/school\\_system/future.html](https://gis.berkeleycountysc.gov/maps/school_system/future.html)

Charleston County: <https://www.croppermap.com/charleston/>

Dorchester District 2: <https://www.ddtwo.org/families/register-for-school>

Dorchester District 4: <https://www.dorchester4.k12.sc.us>

## New Student Registration

### Tips for Changing to a New School

Get an "unofficial" copy of transcripts/records to hand carry. This will help ensure proper placement at the new school in case your official records are delayed. You are authorized to carry this "unofficial" copy under terms of the Military Children's Interstate Compact referenced on Page 5.

High school students should work with guidance at the receiving school as early as possible. Find out all you can about the courses you are going to sign up for at the new school. Bring a copy of your previous high school course syllabi, or a copy of your textbook's Table of Contents. Algebra II may cover different material at your new school, don't wait for an unpleasant surprise.

Registration and enrollment are completed online. Upload all required documentation on the district portal. If you know the school you will attend, verify next steps with that school's registrar. Charter and private schools will have different enrollment policies, so check with them directly.

### Early Enrollment/Registration: Act 40 of 2023

"A pupil complies with the residency requirements for school attendance in a school district if a parent or legal guardian of the pupil is *transferred to or is pending transfer to a military installation within this State while on active military duty pursuant to an official military order.*"

- A school district shall accept an application for enrollment and course registration by electronic means for a pupil who meets those requirements. This includes enrollment in a specific school or program within the school district.
- Proof of residency must be provided upon arrival.

**\*\* Contact the School Liaison Office for more information\*\***

### Enrollment (Age Requirements/Pre-K)

Children who are five years old on or before 1 September **must** register for kindergarten. Children who are four years old on or before 1 September **may** be eligible for pre-school, but strict guidelines may apply. Contact the school in your attendance zone for available slots and requirements for eligibility to attend. According to South Carolina Law, school-aged children must be transferred/enrolled in school within 10 days of arrival.

## Documentation

Provide the following documents to the school at the time of registration:

- Student's Birth Certificate
- Proof of residence (normally two sources)
- Unofficial Copy of school records from previous school if available
- Current Special Education records (IEP/504) if applicable
- Proof of guardianship, if applicable

## Immunizations

The Medical Clinics will assist you with proper immunizations for South Carolina. Call: 843-963-6719 for the AB, or 843-794-6850 at the WS. They will assist you with updates and proper documentation of immunizations.

## Impact Aid

Since 1950, Congress has provided financial assistance to Local Education Agencies (LEA) through the Impact Aid Program. The purpose is to disburse payments to the LEAs that are financially burdened by Federal activities, including lost property tax revenue due to tax exempt federal property and the increased expenditures due to the enrollment of federally connected children in their district. (See Supplemental)

## South Carolina High School Diploma Requirements

Visit the South Carolina Department of Education for diploma requirements:

<https://ed.sc.gov/index.cfm?LinkServID=605ECD73-ACD2-2226-D69DE28436D6BBB0>

## Special Education

- **State:** Contact South Carolina's Office of Exceptional Children at 1-866-628-0910 or visit <https://ed.sc.gov/districts-schools/special-education-services>
- **Installation:** The Joint Base Charleston School Liaison Office (SLO) 843-963-4410/2931 for assistance with the special educational needs of your children
- **Baby Net:** Early intervention services are available for children aged birth through two years of age through Baby Net, the SC Department of Health and Human Services <https://www.scdhhs.gov/resources/programs-and-initiatives/babynet>
- **Child Find:** Local school districts are responsible for children within their jurisdiction suspected of having disabilities including: Preschool children, ages 3 through 5, including those in private preschools or childcare programs. <https://oses.ed.sc.gov/early-childhood/child-find/>

## Charleston County School District (CCSD)

(<https://www.ccsdschools.com>)

Home to the Air Base, CCSD serves more than 51,000 students in 88 schools, the second largest district in South Carolina.

### Those Living in Air Base (AB) Housing

AB Housing is serviced by CCSD. Families may elect to attend [Lambs Elementary](#) or [Hunley Park Elementary](#) (K-5) Middle school students (6-8) are assigned to [Zucker Middle School](#), a science magnet school. [Stall High School](#) (9-12) is a state-of-the-art facility that is demonstrating strong improvement.

### CCSD Choice School Options for Military Families

[www.ccsdschools.com/family-resources/resources-for-military-families](http://www.ccsdschools.com/family-resources/resources-for-military-families)

Charleston County's Resolution to Accommodate Military Families expands access to K-12 School Options for Military Families providing:

- Extended magnet school application periods for military families arriving outside the normal application deadlines.
- The Military Application provides inbound families an opportunity to apply to three CCSD schools they would like to attend. Transportation to a choice school varies, and assignment depends on space available.
- Applications are submitted directly to the CCSD office as noted on the application. A copy of your orders will be required as well.
- APPLY EARLY ONCE YOU HAVE ORDERS
- YOU MAY APPLY IN THE REGULAR LOTTERY SEASON JANUARY-FEBRUARY

DO NOT APPLY DIRECTLY TO ANY OF THE CHOICE SCHOOLS. Direct questions to the district representative as noted on the military application, or with the School Liaison Office.

CCSD Charter Schools operate their own lottery and wait lists. You can contact them directly for additional information.

### Early College/Dual Credit

CCSD schools offer Advanced Placement and Dual Credit programs in the high schools, and the district offers an [Early College High School](#) campus. Students can earn college credits, and "potentially" an associate degree upon graduation from high school. Contact the high school or district offices for more specific information.

## **Berkeley County School District (BCSD)**

([www.bcsdschools.net](http://www.bcsdschools.net))

Berkeley County School district is located slightly north of the Air Base and is home to the JB Charleston Weapons Station. It provides K-12 education for more than 40,000+ students at 48 schools. The county is undergoing massive growth, and there is a wide range of housing and educational opportunities.

### **Those Living in Weapons Station (WS) Base Housing**

WS housing is serviced by Berkeley County Schools. [Marrington Elementary School](#) serves grades Kindergarten to 5<sup>th</sup> grade. There is a full day 4-year-old program for families that meet the household income criteria. [Marrington Middle School of the Arts](#) is an arts-infused magnet school for grades 6-8. The school has been awarded the National Blue- Ribbon Award and a Palmetto's Finest designation. [Goose Creek High School](#) and the [Berkeley Center for the Arts](#) provide a comprehensive 9-12 curriculum.

### **Active Duty Residing in Berkeley County**

A special provision allows "Active Duty" military families, attached to Joint Base Charleston, residing in Berkeley County, to enroll their school age children at the Marrington Schools on the Weapons Station. Transportation is ONLY provided for eligible base residents.

**\*\* Contact the School Liaison Office for more information\*\***

### **Dual Credit**

BCSD schools offer Advanced Placement and Dual Credit programs in the high schools. Students can earn college credits, and "potentially" an associate degree, upon graduation from high school. Contact the high school or district offices for more specific information.

### **Early College**

The district operates an Early College High School campus for Juniors and Seniors. The [Berkeley Middle College](#) is located on the Trident Technical College Campus in Moncks Corner and accepts approximately 50 new students per year.

### **Specialty Programs** (<https://www.bcsdschools.net/page/specialty-programs>)

Berkeley County School District offers several innovative programs for students and families looking for a learning environment with an emphasis on a specific theme or goal. These offerings include the arts, school-within-a-school small learning communities, highly rigorous academics, and more.

## **Dorchester School District 2 (DD2)**

(<https://www.ddtwo.org>)

Dorchester School District 2 is located just north of JB Charleston Air Base. It serves more than 26,522 students in 27 schools. The district is recognized as a school system of excellence, consistently ranked among the best in South Carolina.

[Rollings Middle School of the Arts](#) provides an art infused magnet program for grades 6-12. Application and enrollment information is available from the district. There are no special provisions for military families currently.

### **Early College/Dual Credit**

DD2 offers Advanced Placement and Dual Credit opportunities in high schools. Early College high school programming is available within individual high schools. Students can earn college credits, and "potentially" an associate degree, upon graduation from high school. Contact the high school or district offices for more specific information.

## **Dorchester School District 4 (DD4)**

([www.dorchester4.k12.sc.us/page/about-us](http://www.dorchester4.k12.sc.us/page/about-us))

Dorchester School District 4 (DD4) is the smallest of the four county public school systems. Located in the heart of St. George, South Carolina, and proudly serves approximately 2,200 students across six schools, including three elementary schools, one middle school, one high school, and one alternative education center.

### **Military Life Counselors (MFLC)**

JB Charleston is fortunate to have nine embedded counselors serving ten of our local public schools. They provide support, and short term non-medical counseling for military children and families assigned to the school. They also provide support to the faculty and counselors. Current schools supported are:

Marrington Elementary  
Marrington Middle SOA  
Cane Bay Elementary

Fort Dorchester Elementary  
Oakbrook Elementary  
Joe Pye Elementary  
Sand Hill Elementary

Lambs Elementary  
Hunley Park Elementary  
Palmetto Scholars Academy

## Public Charter Schools

### **The South Carolina Public Charter School District** ([www.sccharter.org](http://www.sccharter.org))

Provides a wide array of charter and virtual school options throughout the state/local area.

### **Palmetto Scholars Academy** (<https://www.psaschool.org/>)

PSA is a grades 6-12 state charter school located near the Air Base. Geared to GT and strong performing students. Military Preference.

### **Green Charter Schools Lowcountry** (<https://scgreenlowcountry.org>)

Opened 2021-22 for grades K-6. The program is focused on Renewable Energy, using the Project Lead the Way Engineering Curriculum at all grade levels. Located in N. Charleston.

### **Mevers School of Excellence** (<https://www.meversschoolofexcellence.org>)

Serves Students in grades K-8. Located near JB Charleston Weapons Station.

### **Berkeley Preparatory Academy** (<https://www.berkeleyprepacademy.org>)

Serves students in grades K-8 in the Cane Bay area of Summerville.

### **Summerville Preparatory Academy** (<https://www.summervilleprep.org>)

Serves students in grades K-6, expanding to K-8 over next two years.

## Homeschool

South Carolina statutes provide parents or guardians with three different options for home schooling their children. The choice is left up to the parents or guardians to select the option that is best for their children. State Department of Education Webpage: (<https://ed.sc.gov/districts-schools/state-accountability/home-schooling>)

See "Supplemental Materials" for the JB Charleston "Homeschool Fact Sheet."

**\*\* Contact the School Liaison Office for more information\*\***

## **Private Schools**

Private schools in the greater Charleston area are too numerous to list and the choice is a personal matter. It is suggested that the private schools be contacted directly to determine tuition/enrollment requirements. There may be additional fees for some programs. Here are a few popular Web links to private school information:

South Carolina Independent School Association – List of accredited schools by county: <https://www.scisa.org/schools/member-listing-by-county.html>

South Carolina K12 Private Schools – by county:  
<https://www.sciway.net/edu/k12/k12private.html>

Diocese of Charleston - <https://charlestdiocese.org/schools/charleston-catholic-schools>

Private School Review by County: <https://www.privateschoolreview.com/south-carolina>

## **Adult Education**

The Base Education Center can provide information on Adult Education programs. It offers a wide range of educational services and programs to help people fulfill their educational goals. The local school districts also have Adult Education Programs for those living within their attendance zones.

Berkeley County	843-899-8690
Dorchester County	843-873-2901
Charleston County	843-746-6500

## **SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION**

### **District Policy Manuals (Online)**

- BCSD Policy Manual: <https://go.boarddocs.com/sc/berkeley/Board.nsf/Public>
- CCSD Policy Manual: <https://go.boarddocs.com/sc/charleston/Board.nsf/Public>
- DD2 Policy Manual: <https://boardpolicyonline.com/?b=dorchester>
- DD4 Policy Manual: <https://boardpolicyonline.com/?b=dorchester4>

### **EOC Report: Military Child Performance in South Carolina 2025**

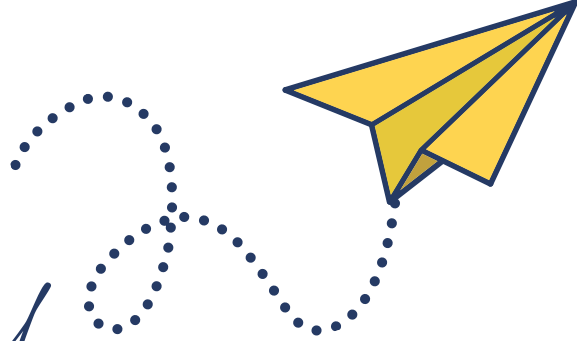
SC Education Oversight Committee Report on Military Connected Students (2025):  
<https://eoc.sc.gov/sites/eoc/files/Documents/Educational%20Performance%20of%20Military-Connected%20Children%20in%20SC%202025%20Report.pdf>

### **Program Handouts**

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# MOVING WITH *Military-Connected* STUDENTS

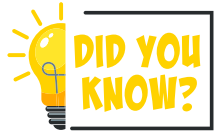


As you transition, please utilize this checklist to ensure you have all the necessary information and documents for a smooth transfer of your student's PreK-12 education.

*\*Remember to **hand-carry** all documents with you.*

Transitions can be challenging; however, with the assistance of a **School Liaison**, military families gain access to an expert who can facilitate this journey.  
**Before you pack, let's chat!**

## EVERY MOVE MATTERS



### PRE-K THROUGH 12 EDUCATION STATE MILITARY PROVISIONS

*\*Check with your gaining installation School Liaison for state or country specific guidance*

**Advance Enrollment** - initiative that allows parents to enroll their children in public school based on military orders as opposed to traditional means of establishing residency, thus, allowing enrollment to occur before the family has moved to the new duty station.

**Open Enrollment** - Open enrollment is a form of K-12 public school choice that allows students to attend a different school than the one to which they are assigned based on their place of residence. Most states have one or more policies providing for varying degrees of open enrollment, but they can differ greatly across state and even district lines.

**School Choice** - School choice allows public education funds to follow students to the schools or services that best fit their needs - whether that's to a public school, private school, charter school, home school or any other learning environment families choose.

**Military Student Identifier** - This designation is used in education to identify students with active-duty parents in the U.S. Armed Forces, National Guard, or Reserves. This identification helps schools understand and address the unique academic needs and challenges these students face, allowing for targeted support.

### Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children



#### STUDENTS COVERED UNDER THE COMPACT

- K-12 dependents of the following:
- Active-duty members of the uniformed services, including members of the National Guard and Reserve on active-duty orders (Title 10)
  - Members or veterans who are medically discharged or retired for one year
  - Members who die on active duty, for a period of one year after death
  - Uniformed members of the NOAA and USPHS

#### TRANSFER OF EDUCATION RECORDS & ENROLLMENT

- ✓ Official and Unofficial Educational Records
- ✓ Immunizations
- ✓ Kindergarten & First Grade Entrance Age

#### GRADUATION

- ✓ Waiver Requirements
- ✓ Exit Exams
- ✓ Transfers During Senior Year

#### PLACEMENT AND ATTENDANCE

- ✓ Course Placement
- ✓ Educational Program Placement
- ✓ Special Education Services
- ✓ Placement Flexibility
- ✓ Absence Related to Deployment Activities

#### ELIGIBILITY

- ✓ Eligibility for Enrollment
- ✓ Eligibility for Extracurricular Participation

*Student Focused... Partnership Driven*





Student: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

**Prior to Leaving:**

- Provide current school official withdrawal date
- Request an **unofficial** copy of all student records
  - Unofficial Transcripts
    - High school (HS) credits obtained during middle school must be distinctly marked as HS level on a HS transcript
  - Assessment data
  - AP Courses/Dual Credit
  - Current IEP and/or 504 Plan
  - Gifted & Talented documentation
  - Other special or behavioral documentation
- Academic, Extracurricular and Leadership
  - Report cards
  - Course schedule, description and syllabus
  - Counselor recommendations for special placement or college admissions
  - JROTC records and extracurricular activities
  - Community service or service learning
  - Academic recognitions or competition participation
  - Academic grading system overview - weighted vs non-weighted grading system

**Registering at the Gaining School (Registrar)**

Contact Installation School Liaison for local requirements and assistance

- Original Birth Certificate and/or Passport
- Social Security Card/Number
- Current Health Record, Immunizations
- Custody/Guardianship, Power of Attorney
- Military Orders with student listed as a dependent
- Parent & student's military ID card or other picture ID
- Local emergency contact information
- Proof of Residency (confirm accepted documents)
- Withdraw paperwork from sending school
- Proof of wounded warrior status (if applicable)
- Losing school information
  - Name, address, phone number, and website
  - Name and contact information for counselor and registrar

*Notes*

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**Course Selection or Placement at the Gaining School (Counselor or Admin)**

- Unofficial copy of school records
  - Cumulative folder/transcripts
  - Current schedule
  - Report cards, withdrawal grades or progress reports
  - Assessment scores (standardized or special programs)
  - Other academic, extracurricular and leadership documents
- Special Programs records (if applicable)
  - IEP and/or 504 Plan
  - Behavior Intervention Plan (BIP)
  - Gifted & Talented Program description and assessment
  - English Language Learner (ELL) or Bilingual education
  - Functional Behavioral Assessment (FBA)
  - At-risk or other action plans for classroom modifications

**Important Dates & Deadlines**

- Accelerated Withdrawal Date
- Registration
- First Day of School
- Open House/Meet the Teacher
- Try-outs
- Lottery Application Deadline



**Researching PreK-12 Education Options**

- Installation School Liaison webpage & social media
- District/State webpages
- State education standards
- State accountability data
- State attendance requirements
- Standardized assessment requirements

**Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) Non-DoD Schools Program (NDSP)**

- If you are currently overseas and enrolled in a DoDEA NDSP School – it is recommended that you request a translated transcript for your student. This service can be coordinated through NDSP and is paid for by NDSP if within your yearly funding allotment.
- It is recommended that you obtain a duplicate transcript that will transfer correctly into the U.S. public school system – This will be particularly important if your student is in middle or high school.



Contact the School Liaison at your losing and gaining installation during your PreK-12 education transition

For a listing of worldwide School Liaison Program Managers, please visit

<https://installations.militaryonesource.mil/search?program-service=12/view-by=ALL> or scan the QR code to the right. These professionals are standing by willing to assist you with your Pre-K through 12 educational needs for your military connected student





## Home-school Fact Sheet JB Charleston

Home school rules and regulations vary from state to state. Below you will find the rules and regulations for home schooling in South Carolina. Additionally, there is a list of resources, books and Internet sites, available to assist parents in making this important decision regarding their child's education. State webpage: <http://ed.sc.gov/agency/programs-services/125/>

### Compulsory School Age in South Carolina

*"five years of age before September first until . . . seventeenth birthday or "graduation from high school; five-year-olds may be excused from kindergarten with submission of written notice to the school district"*

South Carolina Legal Home Schooling Options: <a href="#">1</a> <a href="#">2</a> <a href="#">3</a>			
	Option: 1	Option: 2	Option: 3
<b>Legal Option:</b>	Establish and operate a home school as approved by the local school board	Establish and operate a home school under the membership auspices of the South Carolina Association of Independent Home Schools (SCAIHS)	Establish and operate a home school under the membership auspices of an association for home schools with no fewer than fifty members
<b>Attendance:</b>	180 days per year, 4½ hours per day	180 days per year	180 days per year
<b>Subjects:</b>	Reading, writing, math, science, and social studies; also composition and literature in grades 7-12	Reading, writing, math, science, and social studies; also composition and literature in grades 7-12	Reading, writing, math, science, and social studies; also composition and literature in grades 7-12
<b>Qualifications:</b>	High school diploma or GED or a baccalaureate degree	High school diploma or GED	High school diploma or GED
<b>Notice:</b>	None, if transferring from another state/country. If your child has been attending a SC school and you chose to home school you must notify the school district in writing.	None, if transferring from another state/country. If your child has been attending a SC school and you chose to home school you must notify the school district in writing.	None, if transferring from another state/country. If your child has been attending a SC school and you chose to home school you must notify the school district in writing.
<b>Recordkeeping:</b>	Maintain evidence of regular instruction including a record of subjects taught, activities in which the student and parent engage, a portfolio of the child's work, and a record of academic evaluations, with a semiannual progress report	None required by statute; SCAIHS requires some recordkeeping	Maintain evidence of regular instruction including a record of subjects taught, activities in which the student and parent engage, and a portfolio of the child's work, with a semiannual progress report
<b>Testing:</b>	Participate: statewide testing Basic Skills Assessment Prog	None required by statute; SCAIHS has requirements	None

## Homeschool Fact Sheet (Cont'd)

Many parents who home school in South Carolina choose Option 3 because it allows more flexibility, particularly in the area of curriculum selection. Option 3 requires affiliation with an accountability association. This organization provides a means of legal compliance for its members under SC home school statutes 59-65-45 (SCAIHS) and 59-65-47 (all others). Each organization has its own policies and membership fees. Here are a few that our families use:

- Grace Home School Association: <https://www.homeschoolingsc.org/grace-home-school-association/>
- Carolina Homeschooler: <http://www.carolinahomeschooler.com/>
- Homeward Education Association: <http://www.homewarded.com/>
- South Carolina Association of Independent Home Schools: <http://www.schomeschooling.com>
- At Home In The Lowcountry Association: <http://www.athomeinthelowcountry.com/>
- Half Moon Homeschool Association: [www.halfmoonhomeschool.com](http://www.halfmoonhomeschool.com)
- Complete associations list: [ed.sc.gov/districts-schools/state-accountability/home-schooling](http://ed.sc.gov/districts-schools/state-accountability/home-schooling)

**NOTE - You MUST be covered by a legal accountability association within 10 days of the beginning of school in your school district or your children will be considered truant.**

Although not required, affiliation with a support group is a good idea, particularly for those new to home schooling. One popular support group in the Tri-County is the Lowcountry Christian Home Educators Association: <https://www.homeschool-life.com/3195/>. Parents can find valuable home school information, resources and support.

### **Other Informative Websites:**

Home School Legal Defense Association: <https://www.hslda.org> - free & fee based resources  
Home School Central: <http://www.homeschoolcentral.com>  
Home School World: <http://www.home-school.com/>  
South Carolina Public Charter School District: <https://sccharter.org/>

### **Virtual Schools:**

VirtualSC: <https://virtualsec.org/>  
South Carolina Virtual Charter School: <https://scvcs.org/>  
Low Country Virtual: <https://lowcountryvirtual.org/>  
K12 South Carolina Online School: <https://www.k12.com/south-carolina-online-schools>

### **Joint Base Charleston School Information**

School Information Packet: [jbcharleston.com/school-liaison](http://jbcharleston.com/school-liaison). Look under "Downloads."  
School Liaison Facebook: [JB Charleston School Liaison Office](#)  
Homeschool Group Facebook: [JB Charleston Homeschool Families](#)

*For more information please contact the School Liaison Office, JB Charleston at 843- 963-4410/2931*

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## MILITARY FAMILY LIFE COUNSELORS - ASSIGNED TO SELECT SCHOOLS

The Department of Defense (DOD) authorized funding for nine Military Family Life Counselors (MFLC's) serving eight elementary schools, two middle schools, and one high school in the Charleston Tri-County area.

	<b>Berkeley County</b> Marrington ES (2) Marrington MSOA (1)	<b>Charleston County</b> Lambs ES (.8) Hunley Park ES (.2)	<b>Dorchester District 2</b> Oakbrook ES (.4) Fort Dorchester ES (1)
	Cane Bay ES (1)	Palmetto Scholars Academy MS/HS (1)	Joe Pye ES (.6) Sand Hill ES (1)

MFLC's offer short-term non-medical counseling services to children, parents, faculty, and staff. The MFLC's interface with military students in small group sessions as well as individual sessions. The MFLC counselors are at the schools to help and are available to talk to military students, facilitate group activities, outreach to parents and to process interactions and concerns, such as:

- Communication
- Self-esteem/self-confidence
- Resolving conflicts
- Behavioral management techniques
- Bullying
- Helping children deal with angry feelings
- Sibling/parental relationships
- Deployment and reintegration issues

The MFLC program utilizes professional, licensed and credentialed counselors. This DOD program is provided by Magellan Health Services. Contact the School Liaison Office for more information.



### WHAT IS THE COMPACT?

Developed in 2006, the Military Interstate Children's Compact was adopted by all 50 states, the District of Columbia and the Department of Defense Education Activity. The Compact eases the educational challenges that military children encounter, and supports uniform treatment as they transfer between school districts in member states. Note: The Compact only applies to public schools.

### STUDENTS COVERED

Children of the following:

- Active duty members of the uniformed services, including members of the National Guard and Reserve on active duty orders (Title 10)
- Members or veterans who are medically discharged or retired for one year
- Members who die on active duty, for a period of one year after death
- Uniformed members of the Commissioned Corps of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), and United States Public Health Services (USPHS)

### STUDENTS NOT COVERED

Children of the following:

- Inactive members of the National Guard and Reserves (Not Title 10)
- Members now retired not covered above
- Veterans not covered above
- Other Department of Defense personnel, federal agency civilians and contract employees not defined as active duty
- Members other than the uniformed personnel of NOAA and USPHS

### SOME OF THE ISSUES COVERED

#### Enrollment

- Educational Records
- Immunizations
- Kindergarten & First Grade

#### Entrance Age

#### Placement & Attendance

- Course & Educational Program Placement
- Special Education Services
- Placement Flexibility
- Absence Related to Deployment Activities

#### Graduation

- Waiving courses required for graduation if similar course work has been completed
- Flexibility in accepting state exit or end-of-course exams, national achievement tests, or alternative testing in lieu of testing requirements for graduation in the receiving state
- Allowing a student to receive a diploma from the sending school instead of the receiving school

## MISSION

Through the Interstate Compact, MIC3 addresses key educational transition issues encountered by children of military families.

### CONTACT US AT

1776 Avenue of the States | Lexington, KY 40511  
859.244.8133 | [www.mic3.net](http://www.mic3.net) | [mic3info@csg.org](mailto:mic3info@csg.org)





**Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) – Family Support  
Joint Base Charleston | Military & Family Readiness Center**

The Joint Base Charleston EFMP Family Support Team is here to provide guidance, resources, and personalized support for military families enrolled in the Exceptional Family Member Program. We understand that every family has unique needs—and we’re here to help.

**Note: This is not a complete list of services. We tailor our support to meet your unique needs.**

**How We Can Help:**

- Information & Referrals – on- and off-base resource navigation
- IEP/504 Support – Referrals and school-related guidance
- EFMP Respite Care – Assistance with eligibility and application
- PCS & Transition Planning – Warm hand-offs and relocation support
- Deployment Planning – Resource planning during deployments
- Educational Inquiries – In partnership with the School Liaison Officer
- Support Groups – Connect with peers who understand your journey
- Peer & Family Connections – Opportunities to build relationships
- Informational Workshops – Learn, grow, and stay informed
- Recreational Events – Inclusive, family-friendly activities
- Lending Library – Books and tools for all ages and stages
- Family Needs Assessment (DD Form 3054) – Personalized support planning

**Visit Us:**

**EFMP Family Support Office  
Military & Family Readiness Center –Airbase**

**104 E. Simpson St, Bldg. 500  
Joint Base Charleston, SC 29404**

**Contact Shelly Black  
EFMP Family Support Navigator**

**Phone: (843) 963-4663  
Email: [Shelly.Black@us.af.mil](mailto:Shelly.Black@us.af.mil)**

**Stay Connected  
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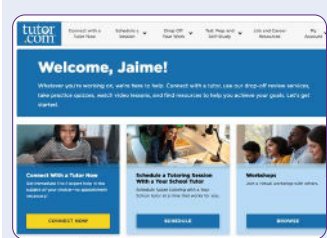
The expert tutors at **Tutor.com/military** can help you work through tough homework problems, improve your writing skills, study for a test, review a difficult concept, and so much more!

Students enrolled in a DoDEA school can access Tutor.com via Classlink.

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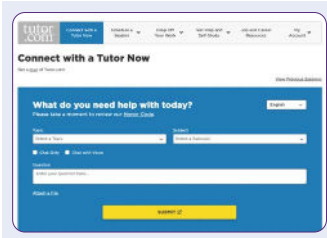
### Step 1: Get started

1. Go to [www.tutor.com/military](http://www.tutor.com/military)
2. Click on your branch of service.
3. Certify your eligibility and create an account.
4. Click **GET A TUTOR NOW**.



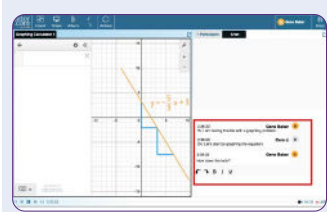
### Step 2: Match with the right tutor

Fill in the quick pre-session questionnaire. Using this information, we will match you with the first available tutor best qualified to assist you.



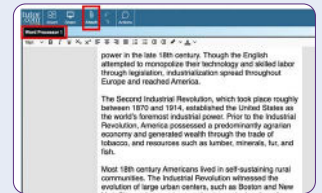
### Step 3: Communicate

You can use text- or voice-chat to communicate with your tutor in the online classroom.\* You may also use the interactive whiteboard to share work and ideas. *All activity in the classroom is recorded. Transcripts will be available afterward in **My Account** under the **Completed Sessions** tab.*



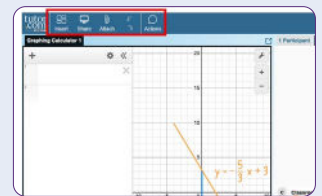
### Step 4: Share a file

You can upload files related to your assignment to the online classroom—including documents, spreadsheets, presentation slides, screenshots, image files, and more.



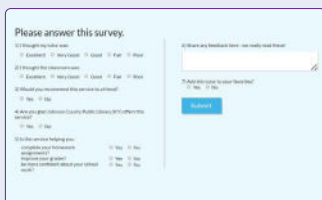
### Step 5: Use special tools

A graphing calculator, text editor, and code editor can be used when working on subject material requiring special tools. You can open them by using the buttons above the whiteboard.



### Step 6: Rate and review your session

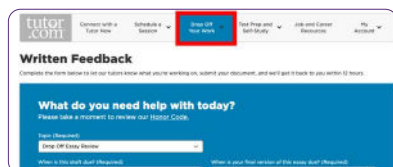
After each session, be sure to let us know how we did! Then you'll have the option to play a recording of your session and email or print the chat log and whiteboards.



## Explore Additional Resources

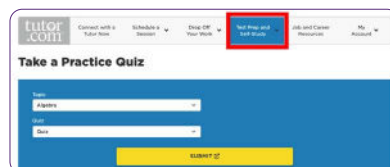
### Submit your paper

Get expert help from a tutor without having to connect for a real-time session. Upload a draft of your assignment—whatever stage it is at—and get detailed feedback within a day. Retrieve your tutor's completed review in **My Account** under the **Completed Sessions** tab.



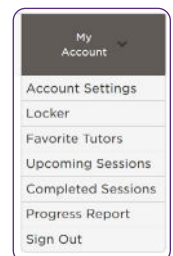
### Practice for a test

Use our practice quizzes to assess your knowledge and prepare for upcoming math, science, or English tests as well as the ASVAB exam. Review your results and connect with a tutor to go over any questions you may have missed.



### Use My Account

- Access files you have saved or those you have shared in sessions with your tutors under **Locker**.
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- Review previous sessions and retrieve feedback on your drop-off reviews under **Completed Sessions**.



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# welcome

**Greetings and welcome to Joint Base Charleston Youth Programs!**

**The Youth Programs staff would like to reach out to all of our new families relocating to Joint Base Charleston to let families know about various activities and programs offered at Youth Programs.**

**We have a variety of programs to include the School Age Program (SAC), Sports Program, Instructional Programs and Open Recreation.**

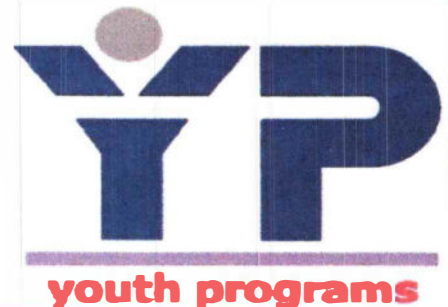
**Our SAC program is for ages 5-12 and provides full day, before and after school programs enriched with activities from 4H and Boys and Girls Club of America.**

**The Sports Program offers organized, instructional, and recreational sports and fitness activities such as Soccer, Basketball, Tee-Ball, specialty camps and more.**

**Throughout the year, instructional programs are offered such as Martial Arts, Dance and other special interest programs.**

**Lastly, Open Recreation is offered for 9-18 years old (still attending high school). This program provides a space to socialize with peers, learn health and life skills, engage in recreational activities and expand knowledge through character and leadership clubs and workshops.**

**If you are interested and/or have additional questions regarding Youth Programs, take a look at our attached JB Charleston Youth Programs flyer.**



# JB Charleston Youth Programs



The **School Age Program** offers care

for *before school*, *After school*, and seasonal *camps* for youth ages 5-12 years old. The school age program provides age appropriate activities through the 4-H and Boys and Girls Club curriculum. Activities



include field trips, a focus on building life skills, creative arts, physical activities, and various other activities. Breakfast, lunch and snack are reflected and provided on standardized menus.

### **Transportation:**

- Air Base services selected schools in the North Charleston area.
- Weapons Station services selected schools in the Goose Creek Area.

### **Cost:**

- Weekly Enrollment Fees are based on a Sliding Scale of Total Family Income.



## **BGCA and 4H Programming**



Weekly 4H enrichment programming is offered at the JB Youth Programs. Throughout the week, youth experience hands on challenges to include but is not limited to building rockets, smart cars, learning about and constructing bridges, experimenting with trajectory and torque, and so much more.



The **Sports Program** provides a wide array of organized, instructional and recreational sports and fitness activities to the youth on the Weapons Station and Air Base. The overall goal is to help youth



develop sportsmanship and learn the fundamental skills for each sport. The sports programs cannot function without volunteer coaches.

This is a great opportunity for parents/active duty/dependents/retirees to pass on their knowledge and skills to the next generation.

Sports Programs offered: Soccer, Basketball, Volleyball, Baseball along with Sports Camps and Fitness events.

## **Instructional Programs**



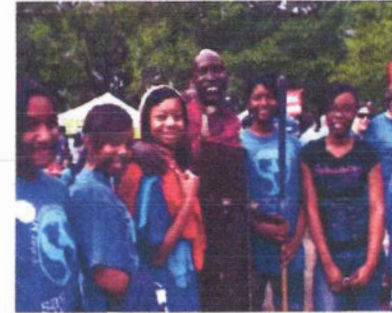
### **Current Programs**

- *Homeschool*
- *Martial Arts Lessons*
- *Specialty Programs during summer months*
- *Dance Classes*

Classes offered through our center promote and enhance the development of our youth. Instructors are all highly certified. If you have a special interest in a class not currently being offered, please let us know.



The **Open Rec/Teen Program** caters to 9-18 year olds. For only \$35/Year, this program offers a variety of activities for preteens and teens.

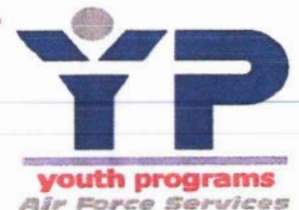


Activities offered includes but is not limited to lock-ins, dances, health promoting programs, field trips, and various leadership/character building programs offered through the Boys and Girls Clubs of America.

## **Big Benefits Being a Member of...**

*For only*

**\$35/Year,**



*your youth has access to...*

- *Discounts* on Instructional Programs
- *FREE/Discounts* on varied Special Programs and workshops
- *FREE/Discount* on varied Dances/Lock In's.

**Contact Us...**

**Weapons Station Youth Programs**

**843-794-7809**

**Air Base Youth Programs**

**843-963-5684**



# JB Charleston Youth Programs

## Youth Introduction

JB Charleston AB Youth Programs (843) 963-5684

JB Charleston WS Youth Programs (843) 794-7809

*The staff at JB Charleston Youth Programs are here to help you make your move easier. Please tell us a little about your child and their interests.  
First, are you arriving / new to the area or getting ready to leave?*

<input type="radio"/>	<b>My child will be moving to the Charleston Area</b>	<input type="radio"/>	<b>My child will be leaving the Charleston area. They will be moving to / near:</b> _____ <i>Ex: Peterson AFB, Syracuse, NY, etc.</i>  <b>(We'll forward your child's information to your next Youth Programs so they can send you information on their offerings as well as the local area!)</b>
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### Parent / Guardian Information

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Duty Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Home / Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Squadron / Unit: \_\_\_\_\_ Arrival / Departure Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Child Information (Please complete separately for each child)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_  
*If summer, last grade completed*

Email (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Please have your child tell us their interests below. *(Don't see what they're into? Tell us on the next page)*

Sports	Music	Clubs / Programs	Hobbies / Interests
<input type="checkbox"/> Archery	<input type="checkbox"/> Alternative / Indie	<input type="checkbox"/> Career Launch	<input type="checkbox"/> Animals
<input type="checkbox"/> Baseball / Softball	<input type="checkbox"/> Blues / Jazz	<input type="checkbox"/> Chapel Youth Group	<input type="checkbox"/> Cars
<input type="checkbox"/> Basketball	<input type="checkbox"/> Choir / Singing	<input type="checkbox"/> Congressional Award Program	<input type="checkbox"/> Comedy
<input type="checkbox"/> Bowling	<input type="checkbox"/> Comedy	<input type="checkbox"/> Goals for Graduation	<input type="checkbox"/> Computers
<input type="checkbox"/> Cheerleading	<input type="checkbox"/> Composing / Writing Music	<input type="checkbox"/> Military Youth of the Year	<input type="checkbox"/> Cooking
<input type="checkbox"/> Football	<input type="checkbox"/> Country / Folk	<input type="checkbox"/> Homeschool	<input type="checkbox"/> Dancing
<input type="checkbox"/> Frisbee	<input type="checkbox"/> Dance / Electronic / Techno	<input type="checkbox"/> Keystone Club (ages 14-18)	<input type="checkbox"/> DJ
<input type="checkbox"/> Golf	<input type="checkbox"/> Gospel	<input type="checkbox"/> Homeschool	<input type="checkbox"/> Drama
<input type="checkbox"/> Gymnastics	<input type="checkbox"/> Hip Hop / Rap	<input type="checkbox"/> SMART Girls	<input type="checkbox"/> Filmmaking
<input type="checkbox"/> Hiking / Walking	<input type="checkbox"/> I play an instrument: (List in other)	<input type="checkbox"/> Sports Club	<input type="checkbox"/> Fitness
<input type="checkbox"/> Hockey	<input type="checkbox"/> Metal	<input type="checkbox"/> Teen Tech Team	<input type="checkbox"/> History
<input type="checkbox"/> Horseback Riding	<input type="checkbox"/> Pop / Top 40	<input type="checkbox"/> Torch Club	<input type="checkbox"/> Movies
<input type="checkbox"/> Karate / Judo / Taekwon Do	<input type="checkbox"/> R&B / Soul	<input type="checkbox"/> Youth Advisory Council	<input type="checkbox"/> Outdoors
<input type="checkbox"/> Running	<input type="checkbox"/> Reggae	<input type="checkbox"/> Youth Leadership Forum	<input type="checkbox"/> Painting
<input type="checkbox"/> Skiing / Snowboarding	<input type="checkbox"/> Rock	<input type="checkbox"/> 4H	<input type="checkbox"/> Photography
<input type="checkbox"/> Soccer		<input type="checkbox"/> Torch Club	<input type="checkbox"/> Reading
<input type="checkbox"/> Swimming			<input type="checkbox"/> Science
<input type="checkbox"/> Tennis			<input type="checkbox"/> Scrapbooking
<input type="checkbox"/> Volleyball			<input type="checkbox"/> Technology
<input type="checkbox"/> Weights			<input type="checkbox"/> Travel
<input type="checkbox"/> Wrestling			<input type="checkbox"/> Video Games
			<input type="checkbox"/> Writing

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Other (If your child has any other interests not listed, please list them here)

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Please send your completed form to [628fss.fsf.2@us.af.mil](mailto:628fss.fsf.2@us.af.mil)

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**Joint Base Charleston Child and Youth Programs  
Child Care/School-Age Care/Family Child Care Resources**

**MILITARY CONNECTED**

**REGISTER ONLINE BEFORE GOING TO THE CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTERS**

MilitaryChildCare.com -website for military families seeking child-care, Child & Youth/Open Recreation programs. <http://militarychildcare.com>  
855-696-2934

Joint Base Charleston Child Development Center (Air Base)  
1654 East Jackson Street  
Joint Base Charleston, SC 29404  
843-963-4366  
Webpage: [www.jbcharleston.com/child-development-center#services](http://www.jbcharleston.com/child-development-center#services)

Joint Base Charleston Child Development Center (Weapons Station)  
201 Von Steuben Street  
Goose Creek, SC 29445  
843-794-7408  
Webpage: [www.jbcharleston.com/child-development-center#services](http://www.jbcharleston.com/child-development-center#services)

Joint Base Charleston Family Child Care Program  
2373 White Circle  
Joint Base Charleston, SC 29404  
843-963-2546  
Webpage: [www.jbcharleston.com/family-child-care](http://www.jbcharleston.com/family-child-care)

Joint Base Charleston School-Age Care (Air Base)  
2451 N. O'Neal Avenue  
Joint Base Charleston, SC 29404  
843-963-5684  
Webpage: [www.jbcharleston.com/youth-programs#services](http://www.jbcharleston.com/youth-programs#services)

Joint Base Charleston School-Age Care (Weapons Station)  
788 Chapel Drive  
Goose Creek, SC 29445  
843-794-7809  
Webpage: [www.jbcharleston.com/youth-programs#services](http://www.jbcharleston.com/youth-programs#services)

Military Child Care in Your Neighborhood -Administered by Child Care  
Aware <http://childcareaware.org>  
800-424-2246

## **SCHOOL DISTRICTS**

Berkeley County School District  
228 East Main Street  
Moncks Corner, SC 29461  
842-899-8600  
<http://www.bcsdschools.net>

Charleston County School District  
75 Calhoun Street  
Charleston, SC 29401  
843-937-6300  
<http://www.ccsdschools.com>

Dorchester County School District 2  
801 John McKissick Way  
Summerville, SC 29483  
<http://www.ddtwo.org>

Dorchester County School District 4  
500 Ridge Street  
St. George, SC 294 77  
843-563-4535  
<http://www.dorchester4.K12.sc.us>

## **SEARCH FOR CARE - SOME INCLUDE RATINGS**

National Association for the Education of Young Children: [www.naeyc.org](http://www.naeyc.org)

ABC Quality – Find Child Care  
<http://abcquality.org>

South Carolina Child Care Resource & Referral Network  
1530 Wheat Street  
Columbia, SC 29208  
888-335-1002  
<https://www.scchildcare.org/providers/child-care-provider-resources/>



## FAQ on Impact Aid For Parents

### 1. What is Impact Aid?

Impact Aid is a Federal education program that reimburses school districts for the lost revenue and additional costs associated with the presence of nontaxable Federal property, such as military installations; Indian Trust or Treaty lands; Federal low-rent housing facilities; and national laboratories, national parks and other Federal buildings or lands. There are more than 1,200 federally impacted school districts (those districts that receive Impact Aid) located across all 50 states. Together, they educate more than 10 million public school students.

### 2. How are federally impacted school districts different from other public school districts?

Most public school districts are funded in large part by local revenue – primarily a combination of local property taxes on homes and businesses or other local fees. School financing is limited for federally impacted school districts because Federal property – and housing, businesses, and other facilities located on Federal property – are tax exempt. This means that, unlike other types of property, the Federal government’s land does not contribute to the costs of running a school district.

### 3. Who are federally connected students?

Federally connected students are those who have a parent or guardian on active duty in the military; live on Indian lands, in Federal low-income housing or other federally owned property; or live with a parent or guardian who works on Federal property. More than 80 percent of military-connected and American Indian students attend public schools. A school district can receive Impact Aid funding if it has at least 400 federally connected students in its Average Daily Attendance (ADA), or at least 3% of all children in its ADA are federally connected. The number and percentage of federally connected students in a district is a critical factor in determining how much Impact Aid funding that district receives.

### 4. Why is Impact Aid directed toward the school district and not individual families, schools or Tribes?

Impact Aid takes the place of revenue that a community would otherwise generate through property, income and sales taxes. Therefore, it goes into a school district’s operating fund and is used to support *all* students in the district, just like other local tax revenue.

### 5. How do school districts use Impact Aid funds?

Impact Aid can be used for any general fund purpose, such as instructional materials, teacher salaries, transportation, technology, social-emotional supports or facilities. All decisions on how Impact Aid funds are spent are made locally. This flexibility and local control allows school district leaders to target funds supporting all students wherever the needs are greatest.

## THE NAFIS FAMILY

### MISA

Military Impacted  
Schools Association

### NIISA

National Indian Impacted  
Schools Association

### FLISA

Federal Lands Impacted  
Schools Association

### MTLLS

Mid-to-Low-LOT  
Schools

**6. What information does the school district need to collect from parents, and why?**

For a school district to receive Impact Aid, the Federal government requires it to collect specific information to verify its federally connected students. For each student, this information includes both enrollment information (such as name, birth date and school) and residence and parent employment information (including, but not limited to, student address if on Federal property; name and address of the Federal property on which a parent is employed; and name, rank and branch of service of a parent who is a member of the uniformed services on active duty). The form must be signed and dated by the parent supplying the information.

**7. How is this information shared and protected?**

Information on the form is used only for purposes of submitting the Impact Aid application. It is subject to a school district's student privacy policy, as well as Federal and state laws protecting the privacy of students and families.

**8. Why do I have to complete these forms every year?**

Since enrollment changes from year to year, the Federal government requires school districts to count students every year before it allocates Impact Aid funding. It is critical that survey forms are filled out completely and signed, or the student may not be recognized as federally connected (which means less money for the school district!).

**9. Does my school district receive all the Impact Aid funding it is due?**

No. Funding must be approved annually by Congress. Because of limited Federal funding and competing interests, Impact Aid has not been fully funded since 1969. On average, school districts receive about 55% of what they're due.

**10. How much of my school district's budget is made up of Impact Aid?**

It depends on your community and its level of impaction. Impact Aid funding can range from a fraction of a percent to more than 50 percent of a school district's budget, as some federally impacted school districts are located entirely on Federal property or have as few as three taxpayers.

**11. What can I do to support Impact Aid?**

Be sure to complete all Impact Aid survey forms in their entirety to ensure it gets the funding it deserves. If you hear other parents questioning why they need to fill out the forms, let them know how important it is to their local school.

To learn more about Impact Aid and how to advocate for the program, visit the NAFIS website at [www.nafisdc.org](http://www.nafisdc.org).



## School Liaison Program

### 2024-2025 Scholarship Search



Scholarship Link	Eligibility or Description
<a href="#">AAPA Veterans Caucus Scholarships</a>	Assist eligible Physician Associate students
<a href="#">AFCEA</a>	Various Opportunities
<a href="#">Air Force Aid Society</a>	Various Opportunities
<a href="#">Air Force Association Scholarship Program</a>	Various Opportunities
<a href="#">American Legion</a>	Various Opportunities
<a href="#">American Legion Legacy Scholarship</a>	Dependents of post-9/11 veterans who died on active duty or those who have a VA disability rating of 50% or more
<a href="#">AMVETS National Scholarship Program</a>	Active Duty, Guard and Reserves; their spouses as well as their Dependents and grandchildren
<a href="#">Anchor Scholarship Foundation</a>	Dependents and spouses of active duty, retired, and honorably discharged Navy personnel
<a href="#">Army Aviation Association of America</a>	Current member or spouse/child/grandchild/unmarried sibling of current or deceased member
<a href="#">Army Emergency Relief Fund</a>	Spouse and Dependents of US Army
<a href="#">Army Engineer Spouses' Club</a>	Graduating high school senior of a member of Army Engineer Spouse Club and US Army Engineer or current US Army Corps of Engineers
<a href="#">Army Nurse Corps Association</a>	Current or former US Army who is currently enrolled in nursing or nursing student of a parent, spouse or child is/has served in US Army
<a href="#">Army Scholarship Foundation</a>	Dependents and spouses of active duty, guard, reserve and former honorably discharged or KIA Army members
<a href="#">Career One Stop – US Dept. of Labor</a>	Explore Careers, Find Training, and Scholarships
<a href="#">Catching the Dream – Native American</a>	Native American Heritage
<a href="#">Chief Petty Officer Scholarship Fund</a>	Must be a dependent child (natural or adopted), step-child, or a non-uniformed spouse (registered in DEERS) of a US Navy Active Duty, Retired, Honorably Discharged, Reserve or deceased Chief, Senior Chief, or Master Chief Petty Officer of the United States Navy
<a href="#">Chief Warrant and Warrant Officers Association Scholarship Grant</a>	High school senior of enlisted US Coast Guard
<a href="#">Coast Guard Foundation</a>	Dependents, spouse, enlisted members, civil service of the US Coast Guard
<a href="#">Coca Cola Scholars Foundation</a>	Achievement Based Scholarship
<a href="#">College Board Scholarship Search Engine</a>	Scholarship Search Engine
<a href="#">College Scholarships</a>	Scholarships Search from Military Sources
<a href="#">Daedalian Foundation Scholarships</a>	Various opportunities for career in military aviation. Need local chapter sponsorship.
<a href="#">Daughters of the American Revolution</a>	Various Opportunities
<a href="#">Dependents of Fallen Patriots Foundation</a>	Various Opportunities
<a href="#">Dependents' Scholarship Fund (Elementary School)</a>	For use with parochial, denominational, independent, or a

	home school
<b>Scholarship Link</b>	<b>Eligibility or Description</b>
<a href="#">Daughters of the Cincinnati Scholarship</a>	Applicants must be daughters of career commissioned officers in the United States armed services
<a href="#">DAV Auxiliary Natl Educ Scholarship</a>	For eligible students attending an accredited college, university, or vocational school
<a href="#">DAV Scholarships</a>	Age 21 or younger who have volunteered with DAV or DAV Auxiliary
<a href="#">Dept. of Veteran Affairs</a>	Survivor and dependent education benefits. Fry Scholarship and Dependents Education Assistance
<a href="#">Dolphin Scholarship Foundation</a>	High school or college students and spouses of current and former members of the Submarine Force
<a href="#">FastWeb</a>	Scholarship Search Engine
<a href="#">Federal Employee Education &amp; Assistance</a>	Merit-based scholarships to federal public servants, spouses, children, and grandchildren. Surviving children whose federal employee parents died or were severely injured in the line of duty during terrorist attacks
<a href="#">Federal Student Aid</a>	FAFSA needed for federal student aid as well as state and college grants, scholarships, and loans
<a href="#">FinAid</a>	Scholarship Search Engine
<a href="#">Fisher House Scholarship Programs - DECA</a>	Students whose parents are Active Duty, reserve/guard, deceased or retired; Awarded at each commissary
<a href="#">Fleet Reserve Association Educational Foundation</a>	Self, spouse, parent, grandparent, great-grandparent of US Navy, Marine, Coast Guard
<a href="#">Florida Students Financial Aid &amp; Grants</a>	Florida Resident Various Opportunities
<a href="#">Folds of Honor Foundation</a>	Dependents' Fund and Higher Education Scholarships
<a href="#">Freedom Alliance Scholarship</a>	Dependents of military personnel who have been killed or permanently disabled in a combat mission or training accident
<a href="#">Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation</a>	Pursuing any major likely to lead to a public service career
<a href="#">Heroes' Legacy Scholarship</a>	Dependents of service member fallen in battle or died or have become disabled through active military service since 9/11
<a href="#">Hispanic Assoc of Colleges &amp; Univ</a>	Various Opportunities
<a href="#">Hispanic Scholarship Fund</a>	Merit based awards
<a href="#">Hope for the Warriors</a>	Spouse and caregivers of post 9/11 veterans
<a href="#">Imagine America Military Award Program</a>	Transitioning Military Members
<a href="#">Iraq and Afghanistan Service Grant</a>	Parent or Guardian KIA in Iraq or Afghanistan
<a href="#">Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Scholarship</a>	Need based young scholars program
<a href="#">Knights of Columbus - Matthews and Swift Scholarship</a>	Dependents of members killed or permanently disabled while serving in combat zone. Must have applied or have been admitted to a Catholic college
<a href="#">La Unidad Latina Foundation</a>	New York City Residents
<a href="#">Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association</a>	Dependents or grandchildren of members of the FRA and LA-FRA
<a href="#">Leave No Veteran Behind</a>	Veteran Education Loan Relief
<a href="#">Marine Corp Scholarship Foundation</a>	Child of active duty, reserve, or veteran of the Marine Corps or Navy Corpsman who was attached to the Marine Corps

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<a href="#">MCA Chaplain Candidate Scholarship</a>	Seminary students who are currently serving as chaplain candidates in the Air Force, Army, or Navy
<a href="#">Military Child of the Year Award</a>	Military dependent, 13-18 years at the time of nomination/application
<a href="#">Military Impacted Schools Association Scholarship</a>	Merit-based scholarships for dependents attending a MISA member school district
<a href="#">Military Officers Association of America Scholarships</a>	Child of Active Duty, Reserve, Guard, Retired. Various Opportunities available
<a href="#">Military Order of the Purple Heart Scholarship Program</a>	Spouse, widow, child or grandchild of a Purple Heart recipient or member of MOPH
<a href="#">Military Spouse Career Advancement Accounts (MyCAA)</a>	Spouse of Active Duty, ANG, Reserve (E1-5, W1-2, O1-2)
<a href="#">National Merit Scholarships</a>	Qualifying test (PSAT/NMSQT). Principal must endorse semifinalist.
<a href="#">National Military Family Association</a>	Spouse Scholarship
<a href="#">Navy League Foundation</a>	Child/grandchild of veteran or active duty of Navy Sea Cadet Corps
<a href="#">Navy Seal Foundation</a>	Various Opportunities
<a href="#">Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society</a>	Child or spouse of active duty, retired, deceased Sailors and Marines
<a href="#">Paralyzed Veterans of America</a>	Members and immediate family of PVA
<a href="#">Pat Tillman Education Scholarship</a>	Active Duty, Veterans and Military Spouses
<a href="#">Peterson - Scholarships, Grants, and Awards</a>	Scholarship Search Engine
<a href="#">Post 9/11 GI Bill and Yellow Ribbon Program</a>	Learn how GI Bill works and explore options such as the Yellow Ribbon Program
<a href="#">Princeton Review</a>	Search colleges and test prep materials
<a href="#">Purple Heart Foundation</a>	Various Opportunities
<a href="#">Ron Brown Scholar Program</a>	Selective Scholarship Program for African Americans
<a href="#">Rotary Club Scholarships</a>	Various Opportunities
<a href="#">Sallie Mae Scholarship Search</a>	Scholarship Search Engine
<a href="#">SMART Scholarship Program - DoD</a>	Various Opportunities
<a href="#">Society of Women Engineers</a>	Pursue an ABET-accredited bachelor or graduate student program in preparation for careers in engineering, engineering technology, and fields related to engineering
<a href="#">Sons and Daughters Pearl Harbor Scholarship</a>	Bi-annual distribution
<a href="#">Special Operations Warrior Foundation College Scholarship</a>	Reimbursement for college application fees, college campus visits, all other costs related undergraduate education
<a href="#">State Education Benefits and Scholarships for Dependents</a>	Grades 6-11 for Exceptional Performers
<a href="#">Student Veterans</a>	Various Opportunities
<a href="#">Tailhook Education Foundation</a>	Child or grandchild of current or former Naval Aviator, Naval Flight Officer, or Air-Crewman or those who served onboard a US Navy aircraft carrier
<a href="#">Taiwanese American Scholarship Fund</a>	Taiwanese American youth – high school seniors
<a href="#">Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education Grant (TEACH)</a>	Federal Student Aid requiring a teaching service obligation. Must complete FAFSA

Scholarship Link	Eligibility or Description
<a href="#">THANKS USA</a>	Child and spouse for undergraduate or accredited trade program
<a href="#">That Others May Live Foundation Scholarship</a>	Child whose parent died while conducting a USAF Combat Rescue Operation or Training Mission
<a href="#">The American Institute of Architects</a>	Pursing Architect Career
<a href="#">Thurgood Marshall Scholarship Fund</a>	Various Opportunities
<a href="#">Troops to Teachers</a>	Helps get veterans in teaching programs for PreK-12
<a href="#">Tylenol Future Care Scholarship</a>	Pursuing careers in healthcare
<a href="#">Undergraduate Scholarship Program-CIA</a>	Paid Internship Opportunity for undergraduate students and tuition assistance
<a href="#">UNIGO</a>	Scholarship Search Engine
<a href="#">United Negro College Fund</a>	Various Opportunities
<a href="#">US Air Force and Space Force ROTC</a>	Various Opportunities
<a href="#">US Army ROTC</a>	Various Opportunities
<a href="#">US Navy ROTC</a>	Various Opportunities
<a href="#">US Veterans Magazine</a>	List of Military Scholarships available to veterans, spouses and family
<a href="#">Veterans of Foreign Wars</a>	High school and Middle school Essay Program. Patriot's Pen and Voice of Democracy
<a href="#">VFW</a>	Help A Hero Scholarship Program
<a href="#">VFW Auxiliary</a>	High School Young American Creative Patriotic Art Contest
<a href="#">Wings Over America Scholarship Foundation</a>	Various Opportunities for Navy commands or communities

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