Naval Support Activity Bethesda (NSAB),
Home of Walter Reed National Military Medical Center (WRNMMC)

NSAB is located in the boundary of Montgomery County Public School District. NSAB does not have base housing (except for the Fisher Houses and five (5) Flag Officer Houses on base.)

The National Capital Region (NCR), including parts of Maryland, Virginia, and D.C., has a number of school districts. Your first step is to decide where you will reside in the community. The best school districts as determined by school performance, graduation rates, national test performance, and local test performance. Families should remember that school attendance zone is tied to your address. Boundary lines are in place and schools are zoned with no exceptions.

Montgomery County Public School Information

Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) has some of the best schools in the nation and neighboring school districts are as competitive. The school district is one of the top 20 largest schools districts in the nation and the largest school system in Maryland. There are options to attend MC public schools, MC public charter schools, private schools, and homeschool. The information you'll find below will help you better understand each of these options. For a closer look at district population and school populations please visit https://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/about/

For Maryland Department of Education report card visit http://reportcard.msde.maryland.gov/

MCPS School Location Information

For MCPS School Assignment Tool visit http://gis.mcpsmd.org/SchoolAssignmentTool2/Index.xhtml
For MCPS Service Area Maps visit http://gis.mcpsmd.org/ServiceAreaMaps.html
For MCPS Bus Routes visit https://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/transportation/busroutes/

MCPS Registration

Registration is standard across the NCR. Proof of residency must be present before registration. No exceptions are made (even for military families). You will need immunization records, school records, birth certificate, and proof of residency. Registration is open throughout the year. It is recommended to call the school ahead of time to set up a time to complete the registration. Information on registering can be found at https://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/info/enroll/index.aspx

The full school calendar can be found by visiting https://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/calendar/

MCPS School Transfer Information

School districts do not allow transfers without living in the district due to the high number of military families in the area. Transfers are only allowed within the district meaning a child can only transfer from one school within MCPS to another school within MCPS. Your child however, must be in MCPS zone and enrolled at the local school first before the transfer.
Choosing a school through CLUSTERS
Clusters are groups within the district used to define the feeder schools assigned to High Schools. You can visit http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/clusteradmin/ click on the high school name and it will show the feeder elementary and middle schools.

Before and After School Care
For complete school start times visit https://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/transportation/busroutes/

Due to the late start time and early end time parents may require before and after care. Be sure to ask about before and after school care at your local school. Some schools have a partnership with local organizations to host aftercare within the school or the school staff can refer some popular partnerships.

Homeschooling
Parents interested in home schooling in the Montgomery County must submit the “Home School Notification Form”. This must be submitted at least 15 days prior to beginning home instruction. Each subsequent year that home schooling continues the “Annual Notification to Continue Home Schooling Form,” must be submitted. These forms and additional information about homeschooling in MCPS can be obtained by visiting https://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/homeschooling/index.aspx

Graduation Requirements
For specific information on graduation requirements please visit https://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/graduation-requirements.aspx

Preschool Information
Preschool is not covered by the state of Maryland unless one or more of the following requirements are met followed by an application process. For more information please visit https://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/dtecps/earlychildhood/ OR https://earlychildhood.marylandpublicschools.org/families/accessing-prek

Eligibility requirements for Maryland:
- Low-income or receive public assistance
- Homelessness
- Receive special needs services

Military Childcare.com to search for military childcare centers near you at https://militarychildcare.cnic.navy.mil/mcc-consumer/home/viewhome.action

Child Care Aware provides a subsidy to military parents who meet certain eligibility requirements. The childcare must meet certain additional requirements, for more information please visit http://usa.childcareaware.org/
Maryland’s Child Care Subsidy Program (CCS)
Maryland provides a subsidy for parents who meet certain eligibility requirements. Information, eligibility information, and an application can be found at https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/HHS-Program/Program.aspx?id=CYF/CYFChildCareSubs-p307.html

Resources
MCPS has a variety of homework help. Please visit https://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/students/homework.aspx for more information.

Inquire with your local school for their Parent Teacher Association (PTA) information.

Additional Links:

Other Maryland County School Districts
Anne Arundel Schools
https://www.aacps.org/

Frederick County Schools
https://www.fcps.org/

Howard County Public Schools
https://www.hcpss.org/

Prince George’s County Public Schools
https://www.pgcps.org/

District of Columbia

DC School Search visit http://profiles.dcps.dc.gov/
You can select to view by levels or by individual schools. Once school is loaded click to view school profile.

DCPS enrollment information for Military Families visit https://dcps.dc.gov/node/1098372

DCPS Charter School Board visit https://www.dcpcsb.org/

Virginia School Districts

Virginia Department of Education / School, Division Report cards:

Alexandria City Public Schools
https://www.acps.k12.va.us/

Arlington County Public Schools
https://www.apsva.us/

Fairfax County Public Schools: Schools and Center Directory:
https://www.fcps.edu/schools-centers