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<u>Military Youth: A School Perspective</u>: Findings from Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, 2010

<u>Health and Mental Health Needs of Children in US Military Families</u>: Findings published in Pediatrics, Official Journal of the American Academy of Pediatrics, 2013

<u>Military Family Lifestyle Survey Comprehensive Reports:</u> Findings from Blue Star Families The 2016 Blue Star Families Report is expected to be released December 7, 2016.

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Military One Source

This site provides tons of information and support to military families. Of particular interest to educators is assistance with quickly arranging free counseling for military children.

DoDEA Educational Partnership

The Educational Partnership Program promotes quality education, seamless transitions and deployment support for military students through outreach and partnership development. The Educational Partnership Program also has the authority to issue grants for programs that enhance student achievement. The Program will provide training to Local Education Activities on how to write applications for grants and will serve as a clearinghouse for information on grants that are available for military-connected Local Education Agencies (LEAs). The <u>SLO Directory</u> for locating School Liaisons from every service branch can also be found on this site.

Students at the Center

An educational resource for military families, military leaders and school leaders from The Department of Defense Education Activities Educational Partnership provides information on important policies, procedures, and best practices that are critical to supporting the educational needs of military families. It also includes information on military terms and acronyms.

Military Impacted School Association (MISA)

Military Impacted Schools Association (MISA) is a national organization of school superintendents. Our mission is to serve school districts with a high concentration of military children. MISA is also part of the National Association of Federally Impacted Schools (NAFIS).

<u>MIC3 (Interstate Compact)</u> This is the official website of the Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission. The goal of the interstate compact is to replace the widely varying policies affecting transitioning military students with a consistent policy in every school district and in every state that chooses to join.

John Hopkins Military Child Initiative (MCI)



John Hopkins MCI provides resources, best practices and an online course to assist educators who want to enhance school success for highly mobile children.

<u>Staying Strong</u> This site contains videos and other educational resources for teachers and parents of military-connected children.

<u>Military Kids Connect</u> Military Kids Connect (MKC) is an online community for military children (ages 6-17 yr old) that provides access to age-appropriate resources to support children dealing with the unique psychological challenges of military life. MKC offers informative activities, fun games, helpful videos, and an online community that can build and reinforce understanding, resilience, and coping skills in military children and their peers.

Military Kids Connect is an initiative of the <u>National Center for Telehealth & Technology</u> (T2), the Department of Defense agency formed in 2008 to test, evaluate and leverage available and emerging software and hardware in support of psychological health and traumatic brain injury in the broad military community.

<u>Veterans Day Support</u> Many resources are provided to help with planning a Veteran's Day Assembly, including a downloadable guides.

<u>Tough Topic Series: Military Kids</u> The State Of Washington's Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) has developed a series of fact sheets to help educators in the classroom understand and support military kids.

<u>Traumatic Grief in Military Children The National Child Traumatic Stress Network</u> has developed many resources for working with children who have undergone a traumatic event. There is a link on the front page for supporting military families.

<u>American Academy of Pediatrics (Support for Military Children and Adolescents)</u> This website has resources for working with children of military parents during transitions.

Working With Military Children: A Primer for School Personnel

This downloadable booklet provides information on issues relating to military children. There is even a great section on military acronyms and ranks!

Military Child Education Coalition (MCEC)

The Military Child Education Coalition (MCEC) is a non-profit organization focused on ensuring quality educational opportunities for all military children affected by transitions and deployments. MCEC conducts research, develops resources, and offers professional development for educators (Transition Counselor Institutes, Special Education Leaders Institute, Living in the New Normal, etc.)



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