

What is a School Liaison and how can they help me?

School Liaisons (SL) help by providing you with educational information on your new area (based on residence) and link you up with a SL in your next duty station if you are leaving Naples. SLs also offer resources on deployment support, are the liaison between command, schools and military families, work with commands and schools on the Partnership in Education program, can help families navigate the special needs programs in districts, and offer information and support for Home School and Post-Secondary preparation.

How do I choose a school?

We know the importance of choosing a school that best meets the needs of your child(ren). Even though we are unable to make direct recommendations for schools, we are available to help you acquire information and research the schools in your area. We can provide overall information on your options which include: DoDEA, International/Private Schools, local Italian public schools and home schooling. Please see the "Alternative Day Care and Education Options" download for a starting point in your research.

What are the DoDEA school immunization requirements?

Students who enroll in the Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) schools are required to meet specific immunization requirements. These requirements represent the minimum requirements and do not necessarily reflect the optimal immunization status for students. This copy of DoDEA Immunization Requirements is provided to parents for informational purposes only. Official proof of immunization (i.e., copy of child's immunization/shot record) must be provided to the school registrar at the time of initial registration to verify immunization compliance. Registration forms and information can be found at https://www.dodea.edu/education/student-services/health-services.

Do I need to fill out a Free- and Reduced-Meal Program form?

The Navy Exchange Services Command or NEXCOM operates the student meal program with a local contractor in school complex cafeteria. Meals meet the USDA strict guidance in order to support U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) reimbursement.

NEXCOM utilizes a point of service to register and make payments on your child's lunch account. All students must have a student lunch account. When you register your child at either the elementary or middle high school, your child will be issued a student ID number. A letter will be sent to the parent's email address provided during registration. The letter will be generated from the LINQ system and will

contain your child's PIN number. Do not lose this information. Once you get this information, you will need to log into LINQ Connect at https://linqconnect.com/ to set up your child's account and make payments. See see "Lunch Account Set-up Steps" in the downloads section of the School Liaison webpage.

What is the Interstate Compact and what can it do for my family?

The Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children provides for the uniform treatment of military children transferring between public school districts and states. The goal of the Compact is to replace the widely varying policies affecting transitioning military students. The Compact addresses key educational transition issues encountered by military families including enrollment, placement, attendance, eligibility and graduation. More information can be found at www.mic3.net.

What do I do if I'm moving with a child with special needs?

In the Navy, your School Liaison can help you with the special needs navigation of the school or district where you are planning to send your child(ren). You should also contact the Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) to ensure you are enrolled and to inquire on the local information and resources they offer. You should also contact the local school district.

Do I need to complete an Overseas Screening?

To help facilitate your upcoming move, please complete an Overseas Screening. Your sponsor should ensure all dependent children medically and educationally screen prior to travel. The educational screening process will provide important information regarding the services available in Naples for your children. If the sponsor is active duty, they should send the completed DD2792-1 and copies of the children's IEPs to the EFMP contact. If the sponsor is a civilian, they should send the completed DD2792-1 and copies of the children's IEPs to the human resources point of contact. Once documents are uploaded to the Educational Screening and Assignment Concern Management System (ESACS), both DoDEA and EFMP will be able to make recommendations. The screenings are required for both active duty and civilian sponsors and dependents based on DoD Instruction 1315.19.

Can I home school and utilize DoDEA services?

DoDEA schools will provide and offer home schooled DoD dependents classes and/or special education services, consistent with existing regulations and policy. Dependents of sponsors electing to take up to three classes and/or utilize auxiliary services must complete the online registration and comply with other registry procedures and requirements. For information regarding: policy, eligibility, auxiliary services, courses and/or SPED, graduation and commencement and more visit https://www.dodea.edu/parents/homeschooling.cfm