



# NSA NAPLES SLP

NAVAL SUPPORT ACTIVITY NAPLES SCHOOL LIAISON PROGRAM

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

January 21 • 11:30 am  
"Rice to Meet You" Start of  
Semester Celebration  
Teen Center

February 5 • 1 pm  
School Liaison Chat in Gaeta  
Fleet Recreation Center

February 5 • 4 pm  
Installation Advisory Committee  
(IAC)  
Naples Elementary School

February 7 • 2:30 pm  
Homeschool Happening  
Strikers Bowling

February 8 • 10 am  
Teen Orientation Event  
Teen Center

February 20 • 4 pm  
NMHS School Advisory Committee  
(SAC)  
Naples Middle High School

February 27 • 4 pm  
NES School Advisory Committee  
(SAC)  
Naples Elementary School

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## School Liaison Roles and Responsibilities

A U.S. Navy School Liaison is a professional who serves as the primary link between Navy families, commands, local schools and districts, and the military community. Their main goal is to help military families navigate the unique challenges of transitioning into and out of different school systems due to frequent relocations and deployments.

### Support with School Transitions:

- Assist families with enrolling children in new schools.
- Provide information about local school options (public, private, charter, homeschooling, etc.).
- Help families understand school policies, curricula, and requirements, especially when moving between states or countries.

### Advocate for Educational Success:

- Ensure military children receive the appropriate support and accommodations in schools.
- Help families address issues like Individualized Education Programs (IEPs), advanced placement classes, or gifted education programs.

### Facilitate Communication:

- Act as a bridge between military families and schools to resolve conflicts or concerns.
- Provide school administrators with insights about the unique needs of military-connected students.

### Provide Resources and Referrals:

- Offer workshops, training, and resources for parents, students, and educators.
- Refer families to additional support programs, such as counseling or tutoring services.

### Build Community Partnerships:

- Work with local education agencies, community organizations, and military commands to improve the quality of life and education for military children.

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[Installation School Liaison Webpage](#)

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"Downloads" section at  
the Installation School  
Liaison webpage!

## Why Would Someone Need a School Liaison?

- ⇒ **Frequent Relocations:** Military families often move every 2-3 years, which can disrupt a child's education. School Liaisons help smooth these transitions.
- ⇒ **Understanding Educational Differences:** Different states and countries have varying academic standards, graduation requirements, and special education processes. A liaison can help clarify these differences.
- ⇒ **Accessing Military-Specific Resources:** They connect families to scholarships, military youth programs, and other resources tailored for military-connected students.
- ⇒ **Navigating Emotional and Academic Challenges:** Deployments, long separations, and other stressors can affect students. Liaisons provide support and connect families to counseling or other assistance, including transition and resiliency programs.
- ⇒ **Advocating for Military Families:** If a family encounters difficulties with schools (e.g., credit transfer, deployment-related absences), the liaison can advocate on their behalf.

## Additional Duties to Enhance School Liaison Effectiveness

### Supporting Deployment-Related Needs:

- **Workshops and Training:** Organize programs for educators and parents to help them understand the emotional and academic impact of deployment on children.
- **Resilience Support:** Collaborate with school counselors and psychologists to provide resilience-building resources for students facing deployment-related challenges.

### Promoting Awareness of Military Child Issues:

- **Education Outreach:** Educate school staff about the challenges faced by military families, such as frequent relocations, changes in academic standards, and social adjustment.
- **Month of the Military Child:** Lead events and initiatives during April to celebrate and recognize the contributions of military children.

### Crisis Response and Assistance:

- **Emergency Support:** Assist schools and families during crises, such as natural disasters or unexpected relocations, ensuring students' education and well-being remain uninterrupted.
- **Bereavement Support:** Help schools and families manage sensitive situations, such as the loss of a service member, by connecting them to appropriate resources.

### Coordinating with Installation Services:

- **Partnerships with Base Programs:** Work with Fleet and Family Support Centers, Youth Centers, and other base services to create a comprehensive support network for families.
- **Joint Efforts with Commands:** Provide briefings to military commands on school-related concerns, ensuring leadership is informed and engaged.

### Monitoring and Reporting:

- **Tracking Educational Trends:** Monitor trends affecting military children, such as graduation rates, absenteeism, or disciplinary actions, and report data to Navy leadership.
- **Feedback Collection:** Gather and relay input from families to improve educational services and advocate for changes when needed.

### Supporting Special Needs Students:

- **EFMP Coordination:** Assist families enrolled in the Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) with finding appropriate educational accommodations and services for children with special needs.
- **Facilitating Transitions:** Ensure smooth handoffs between schools for special needs students, including coordinating IEP or 504 plan transfers.

### Encouraging Parent and Student Involvement:

- **Providing support, resources, referrals, materials, ideas and opportunities.**

# TEEN ORIENTATION "RICE TO MEET YOU!"

Are you new to Naples and in grades 7-12?

You will "maki miso" happy if you join us for fun activities, yummy food and lively music.

**Tuesday, Jan. 21**  
**11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.**  
**Teen Center**  
**Support Site**



CYP Teen Center registration is required.

Scan here for registration information and form.



For more information, email the Naples Child and Youth Programs at [NaplesCYP1@us.navy.mil](mailto:NaplesCYP1@us.navy.mil).







## CHILD FIND Monthly Screenings

At Naples Elementary School

For Children 3 years old or  
4 years old who are not UPK Eligible  
(DOB after 9/01/2020)



### What is Child Find?

Child Find is an outreach program that actively seeks to locate and identify children who may have **developmental or educational delays** and maybe in need of **early intervention**.

#### Next Screenings:

Wednesday, September 18, 2024

Wednesday, October 16, 2024

Wednesday, December 11, 2024

Wednesday, February 12, 2025

Wednesday, March 12, 2025

Wednesday, April 9, 2025

Wednesday, May 14, 2025

If found eligible services are available for command sponsored children, ages 3 through 4, who exhibit developmental delays or have an identified disability in one or more of the following areas:

- Physical Development (Fine/Gross Motor)
- Communication/Speech
- Cognitive Skills (Thinking/Readiness)
- Social/Emotional Development
- Adaptive/Self Help Skills



To request a screening contact

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### WHAT IS THE COMPACT?

The Compact deals with the challenges of military children and their frequent relocations. It allows for uniform treatment as military children 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.

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provides resources and tools that Navy staff and parents can use to gain a clear understanding of special education

requirements and services and how they work. From legal rights to practical application and from student referrals to IEPs, *Special Ed Connection*<sup>®</sup> explains specific procedures and provides real-world application strategies to help you earn the complexities surrounding special education supports and services.



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**Special Ed Dictionary** – Provides straight forward definitions of more than 2,000 widely used terms and acronyms, enabling enhanced dialogue about special education issues.

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**Contact your local School Liaison Officer  
for more information.**



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