

FINDING YOUR COMMUNITY

YOUR HOMESCHOOL JOURNEY — OUR SUPPORT —

STAY CONNECTED

You define your student's educational path—we help you navigate it. Department of War (DoW) School Liaisons partner with homeschool families by providing vital resources, local insights, and clear avenues to make informed decisions. Don't feel overwhelmed; we are standing by to assist you in finding your footing in your new community.

Starting out or already established?

Your homeschool journey isn't a solo mission.

DoW Joint Service School Liaisons are here to help.

Connect with your School Liaison today to explore local homeschool options and location-specific essentials.

Contact your School Liaison for tailored homeschooling guidance and family-focused resources.

Discover academic, social and recreational activities available to homeschool familes.

Explore what policies your state has enacted for military homeschoolers.

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JOINT SERVICE SCHOOL LIAISON PROGRAM

WHERE THEY ARE, WE ARE



Military homeschool families face a unique set of considerations when they PCS. Each one resets your legal homeschooling requirements and families must prepare academically, administratively and logistically to avoid education interruption. With the assistance of a School Liaison, military families gain access to a professional who can help navigate this journey.

As you transition, please utilize this checklist to ensure you have all the necessary information and documents for a smooth transfer.

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

Homeschool PCS Checklist



Before you Receive Orders:

- [ ] Update education records
- [ ] Back up all digital schoolwork
- [ ] Review your current location's withdrawal/notification policy
- [ ] Compile a simple, current portfolio of schoolwork

When you Receive Orders:

- [ ] Research the homeschool laws in the gaining location's (e.g. Host Nation regulations, record keeping, required hours/subjects)
- [ ] Evaluate how your curriculum aligns with the new location's policies
- [ ] Identify local/state options for support and homeschool organizations
- [ ] Explore available public and virtual school opportunities for homeschool students
- [ ] Verify shipment weight allowances and internet connectivity

Gather and Organize Records:

- Student portfolios
- Attendance logs
- Curriculum list
- Assessment and evaluation data
- Transcripts/Report Cards
- Immunization records
- Other location specific requirements

Plan for the PCS Gap:

- [ ] Plan for educational activities during your move
- [ ] Pack school essentials in carry-on or unaccompanied baggage

Arrival at the New Duty Station:

- [ ] Establish Proof of Residency
- [ ] File homeschool paperwork, if required
- [ ] Connect with the local and state homeschool community and explore opportunities

Specialized & Advanced Considerations:

- [ ] File a withdrawal notice or end-of-year report, if required
- [ ] Designate homeschool materials as PBP&E or "Pro-Gear" (JTR, 7/1/26, App. A, A-20)
- [ ] Coordinate services for special needs, special education and connect with the Exceptional Family Member Program
- [ ] Investigate High School (diploma equivalency, dual enrollment, athletics eligibility, and national assessment) options
- [ ] Research funding supports (e.g. school choice vouchers and scholarships)
- [ ] Prepare for a potential transition to a different educational model

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 - 12 educational needs for your military-connected student

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