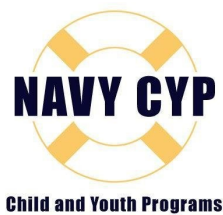




SCHOOL LIAISON  
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# Naval Support Activity Mid-South K-12 Education Handbook



Child and Youth Programs

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# NSAMS School Liaison

## Child & Youth Education Services

Welcome to NSA Mid-South,

As School Liaison (SL) for NSA Mid-South, my role is to help parents in making their child’s educational transition to the Mid-South a smooth one. My focus is to provide school information enabling parents to make informed decisions for the best educational fit for their child as well as educate local schools and community organizations on the unique challenges military families face due to frequent transitions and deployments. I serve as the primary point of contact between parents, the military installation and the local school community.

Seven core areas:

- School Transition Services (PCS Cycle)
- Deployment Support
- Post-secondary Preparation
- Partnerships in Education
- Homeschool Linkage and Support
- Special Education System Navigation
- Installation, School and Community Communications

You can visit the NSA MWR Facebook page for timely information on upcoming events for military families, educational articles and learning-based activities: <https://www.facebook.com/navymwrnmidouth/>

There is also a SL page, on the NSA Mid-South MWR website, with information on local public and private schools in the area, as well as resources and information on homeschooling, easing transitions and school options. This web page houses information for transitioning families regarding special education, TN school registration, graduation requirements, and much more! You can visit this page at

<https://www.navymwrnmidouth.com/programs/b0037509-8cba-4b10-9655-4cd063a2fb33>

If you are in need of any additional information please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns you may have. I am here to help Navy families be the best “advocate” for their child’s education. Once again, welcome aboard!

V/r,

Your NSA Mid-South  
School Liaison

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# Surrounding School Districts

Many military families and contractors assigned to Naval Support Activity Mid-South choose to live in either Shelby or Tipton County. Families living in the following counties should take comfort in knowing that the superintendents, administrators, and faculties of these school districts are eager and ready to serve their educational needs. The following Individual School, and District wide, data was populated using the following references:

**Enrollment:** TN Dept. of Education

**Grades Served:** TN Dept. of Education

**Military Student Population:** TN Dept. of Education, Office of Impact Aid Programs

**Chronically Out of School:** TN Dept. of Ed.—The chronically out of school indicator measures school, district and state chronic absenteeism. A student is considered chronically out of school if he or she misses 10 percent or more of school days for any reason. A school, district, or the state can perform well on this indicator if the school, district or state has a low chronic absenteeism rate or significantly reduces its chronic absenteeism rate.

**Success Rate:** TN Dept. of Education— The one year success rate represents the percentage of students that scored on track or mastered on annual state tests.

**Ready Graduate:** TN Dept. of Ed.—The Ready Graduate rate represents the percentage of students who demonstrate readiness for postsecondary and career. For 2017-18, a Ready Graduate is a student who graduated on time in 2017 and earned a composite ACT score of 21 or higher. Additional pathways related to early postsecondary opportunities, industry certifications, and military readiness will be included in future years.

**Graduation Rate:** TN Dept of Ed.—The graduation rate represents the percentage of students who graduate on time with a regular high school diploma. Graduating on time is defined as graduating within four years and a summer.

**Average ACT Composite:** TN Dept. of Education

**CTE Concentrators:** TN Dept. of Ed.—The CTE Concentrators rate represents the percentage of students in the graduation class who graduated AND concentrated in Career and Technical Education. A student is recognized for having concentrated in Career and Technical Education if the student completes three or more credits within a career cluster or CTE program of study.

**English:** TN Dept. of Ed.—The English Language arts (ELA) achievement rate represents the total number of ELA tests on which students scored on track or mastered divided by the total number of English Language arts assessments. The assessments included in this rate are: Grades 3-8 English Language Arts, English I, English II, and English III.

**Math:** TN Dept. of Ed.—The mathematics achievement rate represents the total number of mathematics tests on which students scored on track or mastered divided by the total number of mathematics assessments. The assessments included in this rate are: Grades 3-8 Math, Algebra I, Algebra II, Geometry, Integrated Math 1, Integrated Math II, and Integrated Math III.

**Overall Student Growth:** TN Dept. of Ed.—Overall growth provides an indication as to the amount of growth achieved by students in the school or district, regardless of whether or not the student is on grade level. Based on the growth achieved by their students, the school is assigned a level between 1 and Level 5, with Level 5 being the highest.

# Millington Municipal Schools

(Zoned for NSA Mid-South Family Housing)



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 Director of Schools  
 Millington Municipal Schools

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<http://millingtonschools.org/>

**Enrollment:** 2,487

**Grades Served:** PK-12

**Military Student Population:** 4.8%

**Chronically Out of School:** 15.5%

**Success Rate:** 30.8%

**Ready Graduate:** 29.3%

**Graduation Rate:** 89.2%

**Avg. ACT Composite:** 18.9

**CTE Concentrators:** 38.6%

**English:** 28.5%

**Math:** 28.5%

**Overall Student Growth:** Level 1

**Notable Program:** NJROTC

Elementary Schools	Grades	Address	Phone	School Hours
<b>Millington Primary</b> Enrollment: 756 (zoned for base)	PK-3	6445 William Osteen Dr. Millington, TN 38053	(901) 873-8433	0815 -1515
Middle Schools	Grades	Address	Phone	School Hours
<b>Millington Intermediate</b> Enrollment: 560 (zoned for base)	4-6	4964 Cuba Millington Rd. Millington, TN 38053	(901) 873-8130	0800 -1500
High Schools	Grade	Address	Phone	School Hours
<b>Millington Middle Central High</b> Enrollment: 833 (zoned for base)	7-12	8050 West Street Millington, TN 38053	(901) 873-8105	0700 - 1400

# Arlington Community Schools



Jeff Mayo  
Superintendent  
Arlington Community Schools

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<http://acsk-12.org/>

**Enrollment:** 4,673

**Grades Served:** K-12

**Military Student Population:** 5.6%

**Chronically Out of School:** 3.9%

**Success Rate:** 54.8%

**Ready Graduate:** 69%

**Graduation Rate:** 97.2%

**Avg. ACT Composite:** 23.6

**CTE Concentrators:** 38.9%

**English:** 54.9%

**Math:** 53.6%

**Overall Student Growth:** Level 1

**Notable Programs:** PAVE Academy,  
Academy of Engineering and Innovation

Elementary Schools	Grades	Address	Phone	School Hours
<b>Arlington Elementary</b> Enrollment: 787	K-5	11825 Douglas St. Arlington, TN 38002	(901) 867-6000	0800 -1500
<b>Donelson Elementary</b> Enrollment: 853	K-5	12140 Donelson Farms Pkwy Arlington, TN 38002	(901) 389-6973	0800 -1500
Middle Schools	Grades	Address	Phone	School Hours
<b>Arlington Middle</b> Enrollment: 962	6-8	5470 Lamb Road Arlington, TN 38002	(901) 867-6015	0845-1545
High Schools	Grade	Address	Phone	School Hours
<b>Arlington High</b> Enrollment: 2,071	9-12	5475 Airline Road Arlington, TN 38002	(901) 867-1541	0700 - 1400

# Bartlett City Schools



Dr. David A. Stephens  
Superintendent  
Bartlett City Schools

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Bartlett, TN 38134  
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Fax: 901-202-0854

<https://www.bartlettschools.org/>

**Enrollment:** 9,009

**Grades Served:** PK-12

**Military Student Population:** 2.8%

**Chronically Out of School:** 7.6%

**Success Rate:** 47.9%

**Ready Graduate:** 56.3%

**Graduation Rate:** 96.2%

**Avg. ACT Composite:** 21.2

**CTE Concentrators:** 53.3%

**English:** 45.6%

**Math:** 49.5%

**Overall Student Growth:** Level 5

**Notable Programs:**

Elementary Schools	Grades	Address	Phone	School Hours
<b>Altruria Elementary</b> Enrollment: 816	K-5	6641 Deermont Dr Bartlett, TN 38134	(901) 373-2600	0800 -1500
<b>Bartlett Elementary</b> Enrollment: 670	PK-5	3932 Billy Maher Road Bartlett, TN 38135	(901) 373-1394	0800 -1500
<b>Bon Lin Elementary</b> Enrollment: 832	K-5	3940 North Germantown Rd. Bartlett, TN 38133	(901) 937-2344	0900-1600
<b>Ellendale Elementary</b> Enrollment: 509	K-5	6950 Dawnhill Road Bartlett, TN 38135	(901) 373-2636	0900-1600
<b>Oak Elementary</b> Enrollment: 635	PK-5	3575 Oak Road Bartlett, TN 38135	(901) 373-1415	0800-1500
<b>Rivercrest Elementary</b> Enrollment: 531	PK-5	4825 Rivercrest Lane Bartlett, TN 38135	(901) 373-1380	0800-1500

## Bartlett City Schools (continued)

<b>Middle Schools</b>	<b>Grades</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>School Hours</b>
<b>Appling Middle</b> Enrollment: 700	6-8	3700 Appling Rd Bartlett, TN 38133	(901) 373-1410	0700 -1400
<b>Bon Lin Middle</b> Enrollment: 767	6-8	3862 N. Germantown Rd Bartlett, TN 38133	(901) 347-1520	0800 -1500
<b>Elmore Park Middle</b> Enrollment: 823	6-8	6330 Althorne Road Bartlett, TN 38134	(901) 373-2642	0900-1600
<b>9th Grade</b>	<b>Grade</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>School Hours</b>
<b>Bartlett 9th Grade Academy</b> Enrollment:	9	4734 Shadowlawn Road Arlington, TN 38002	(901) 373-2654	0700 -1400
<b>High Schools</b>	<b>Grade</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>School Hours</b>
<b>Bartlett High School</b> Enrollment: 2,734	10-12	5688 Woodlawn Bartlett, TN 38134	(901) 373-2620	0700 -1400



## Collierville Schools



Dr. Gary Lilly  
Superintendent  
Collierville Schools

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<http://www.colliervilleschools.org/>

**Enrollment:** 8,992

**Grades Served:** PK-12

**Military Student Population:** 0.9%

**Chronically Out of School:** 7.4%

**Success Rate:** 61.3%

**Ready Graduate:** 76.7%

**Graduation Rate:** 95%

**Avg. ACT Composite:** 25.2

**CTE Concentrators:** 20.2%

**English:** 61.6%

**Math:** 60.4%

**Overall Student Growth:** Level 5

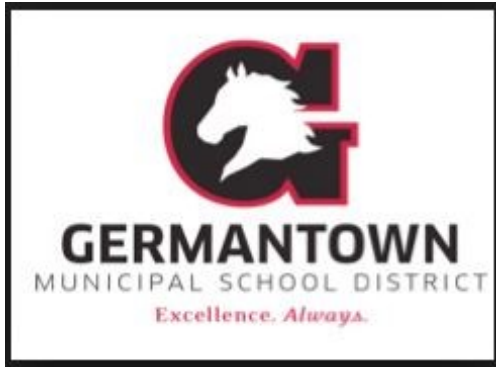
**Notable Programs:**

Elementary Schools	Grades	Address	Phone	School Hours
<b>Bailey Station Elementary</b> Enrollment: 784	PK-5	3435 Bailey Station Rd Collierville, TN 38017	(901) 853-6380	0900 -1600
<b>Collierville Elementary</b> Enrollment: 839	PK-5	590 Peterson Lake Rd. Collierville, TN 38017	(901) 853-3300	0900 -1600
<b>Crosswind Elementary</b> Enrollment: 784	K-5	831 Shelton Rd. Collierville, TN 38017	(901) 853-3330	0900-1600
<b>Schilling Farms Elementary</b> Enrollment: 1,100	6-8	935 Colbert St. S Collierville, TN 38017	(901) 854-2345	0800 -1500
<b>Sycamore Elementary</b> Enrollment: 514	K-5	1155 Sycamore Rd Collierville, TN 38017	(901) 854-8202	0900-1600
<b>Tara Oaks Elementary</b> Enrollment: 643	Pre-K	600 E Harpers Ferry Dr. Collierville, TN 38017	(901) 853-3337	0900-1600

## Collierville Schools (continued)

<b>Middle Schools</b>	<b>Grades</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>School Hours</b>
<b>Collierville Middle</b> Enrollment: 890	6-8	580 Quinn Rd Collierville, TN 38017	(901) 853-3320	0800 - 1500
<b>West Collierville Middle</b> Enrollment: 1,237	6-8	1101 N. Byhalia Rd Collierville, TN 38017	(901) 854-2345	0800 -1500
<b>High Schools</b>	<b>Grade</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>School Hours</b>
<b>Collierville High</b> Enrollment: 2,773	9-12	1101 New Byhalia Rd. Collierville, TN 38017	(901) 853-3310	0700 -1400

# Germantown Municipal Schools



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Germantown Municipal Schools

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**Enrollment:** 6,055  
**Grades Served:** PK-12  
**Military Student Population:** 0.8%  
**Chronically Out of School:** 3.4%  
**Success Rate:** 63.6%  
**Ready Graduate:** 80.7%  
**Graduation Rate:** 94.3%

**Avg. ACT Composite:** 25.9  
**CTE Concentrators:** 22.4%  
**English:** 62.2%  
**Math:** 63.7%  
**Overall Student Growth:** Level 5  
**Notable Programs:**

Elementary Schools	Grades	Address	Phone	School Hours
<b>Dogwood Elementary</b> Enrollment: 943	K-5	8945 Dogwood Rd Germantown, TN 38139	(901) 756-2310	0845 -1545
<b>Farmington Elementary</b> Enrollment: 818	PK-5	2085 Cordes Rd Germantown, TN 38139	(901) 756-2320	0830 -1530
<b>Riverdale Elementary</b> Enrollment: 1,427	K-8	7391 Neshoba Rd Germantown, TN 38138	(901) 756-2300	0830 -1530
Middle Schools	Grades	Address	Phone	School Hours
<b>Houston Middle</b> Enrollment: 961	6-8	9400 Wolf River Blvd Germantown, TN 38139	(901) 756-2366	0800 -1500
High Schools	Grade	Address	Phone	School Hours
<b>Houston High</b> Enrollment: 1,906	9-12	9755 Wolf River Blvd Germantown, TN 38139	(901) 756-2370	0745 -1445

# Lakeland School System



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Lakeland School System

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Lakeland, TN 38002  
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<http://lakelandk12.org/>

**Enrollment:** 1,730

**Grades Served:** K-8

**Military Student Population:** 5.8%

**Chronically Out of School:** 4.5%

**Success Rate:** 68.7%

**Ready Graduate:** N/A

**Graduation Rate:** N/A

**Avg. ACT Composite:** N/A

**CTE Concentrators:** N/A

**English:** 62.7%

**Math:** 74.2%

**Overall Student Growth:** Level 5

**Notable Programs:**

\* For school districts that serve only grades K-8 and do not serve high school grades, 2015-2016 TVAAS scores only include data based on middle school students who took End-of-Course assessments for high school-level courses (e.g. Algebra 1), and where applicable, first and second grade data based on the optional K-2 assessment.

Elementary Schools	Grades	Address	Phone	School Hours
<b>Lakeland Elementary</b> Enrollment: 939	K-4	10050 Oak Seed Lane Lakeland, TN 38002	(901) 867-7071	0900 -1600
Middle Schools	Grades	Address	Phone	School Hours
<b>Lakeland Middle Prep</b> Enrollment: 791	5-9	5020 Lions Crest Drive Lakeland, TN 38002	(901) 867-2063	0800 -1500

Students living in Lakeland are also zoned to the following schools through an inter-local agreement with **Arlington Community Schools**.

- ◆ **Arlington High School** (Grades 10-12)

# Memphis Shelby County Schools



Tutorial "Toni" Williams  
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Shelby County Schools

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Memphis, TN 38112  
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<http://www.scsk12.org/>

**Enrollment:** 106,377

**Grades Served:** PK-12

**Military Student Population:** 0.1%

**Chronically Out of School:** 18.4%

**Success Rate:** 22.7%

**Ready Graduate:** 79.2%

**Graduation Rate:** 19.6%

**Avg. ACT Composite:** 17.8

**CTE Concentrators:** 22.8%

**English:** 21.2%

**Math:** 23.8%

**Overall Student Growth:** Level 1

**Notable Programs:**

Memphis Shelby County Schools is Tennessee's largest school district, made up of 202 schools. For more detailed information please contact the Memphis Shelby County Schools **Parent Welcome Center**.

Monday—Friday

0730-1700

(901) 416-5300

# Tipton County Schools



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Director of Schools  
Tipton County Schools

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Covington, TN 38019  
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Fax: 901-476-4870

<http://www.tipton-county.com/>

**Enrollment:** 10,439

**Grades Served:** PK-12

**Military Student Population:** 2.9%

**Chronically Out of School:** 7.5%

**Success Rate:** 41.8%

**Ready Graduate:** 50.8%

**Graduation Rate:** 96.9%

**Avg. ACT Composite:** 20.9

**CTE Concentrators:** 44.3%

**English:** 36%

**Math:** 46.4%

**Overall Student Growth:** Level 5

**Notable Programs:**

Elementary Schools	Grades	Address	Phone	School Hours
<b>Atoka Elementary</b> Enrollment: 466	PK-5	870 Rosemark Road Atoka, TN 38004	(901) 840-9525	0745 - 1515
<b>Austin-Peay Elementary</b> Enrollment: 473	K-5	474 Academic Drive Covington, TN 38019	(901) 840-9325	0700 - 1600
<b>Brighton Elementary</b> Enrollment: 738	PK-5	1201 Old Highway 51 South Brighton, TN 38011	(901) 840-9500	0745 - 1515
<b>Crestview Elementary</b> Enrollment: 821	PK-5	151 Mark Walker Blvd. Covington, TN 38019	(901) 840-9300	0745 - 1515
<b>Drummonds Elementary</b> Enrollment: 682	PK-5	5068 Drummonds Rd Drummonds, TN 38023	(901) 840-9750	0745 - 1515
<b>Munford Elementary</b> Enrollment: 765	PK-5	1200 McLaughlin Drive Munford, TN 38058	(901) 840-9700	0745 - 1515

## Tipton County Schools

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<b>Magnet School</b>	<b>Grades</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>School Hours</b>
<b>Brighton Middle School</b> Enrollment: 948	6-8	7785 Hwy 51 South Brighton, TN 38011	(901) 837-5600	
<b>Covington Integrated Arts Academy</b> Enrollment: 456	PK-8	760 Bert Johnston Avenue Covington, TN 38019	(901) 840-9150	0800 - 1530
<b>Crestview Middle</b> Enrollment: 526	6-8	201 Mark Walker, Jr. Dr Covington, TN 38019	(901) 840-9250	0745 - 1445
<b>Munford Middle</b> Enrollment: 905	6-8	100 Education Ave Munford, TN 38058	(901) 840-9650	0745 - 1445
<b>High Schools</b>	<b>Grade</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>School Hours</b>
<b>Brighton High</b> Enrollment: 1,241	9-12	8045 Highway 51 South Brighton, TN 38011	(901) 840-9400	0730 - 1435
<b>Covington High</b> Enrollment: 757	9-12	803 South College Street Covington, TN 38019	(901) 475-5850	0745 - 1445
<b>Munford High</b> Enrollment: 1,255	9-12	1080 McLaughlin Dr Munford, TN 38058	(901) 840-9645	0745 - 1445



## **DISCLAIMER**

**THE INFORMATION CONTAINED ON THE FOLLOWING PAGES IS INTENDED TO PROVIDE MILITARY PARENTS WITH A GENERAL KNOWLEDGE OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN SHELBY COUNTY, TIPTON COUNTY AND THE SURROUNDING AREAS.**

**THIS INFORMATION IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE. PARENTS AND GUARDIANS ARE ADVISED TO MAKE DIRECT CONTACT WITH LOCAL SCHOOL OFFICIALS OR REFER TO STATE AND LOCAL WEBSITES BEFORE MAKING OR FINALIZING EDUCATIONAL CHOICES FOR THEIR CHILDREN.**



# LOCAL EDUCATION HANDBOOK



The Education Handbook has been prepared as an immediate and centralized resource for information about schools serving military and federally-connected children living on or near Naval Support Activity Mid-South. While education needs may vary from family to family, this handbook is intended to answer most general questions about public schools in Shelby and Tipton County.

The schools in the local area work closely with Naval Support Activity Mid-South to offer quality educational services to children in the military community.

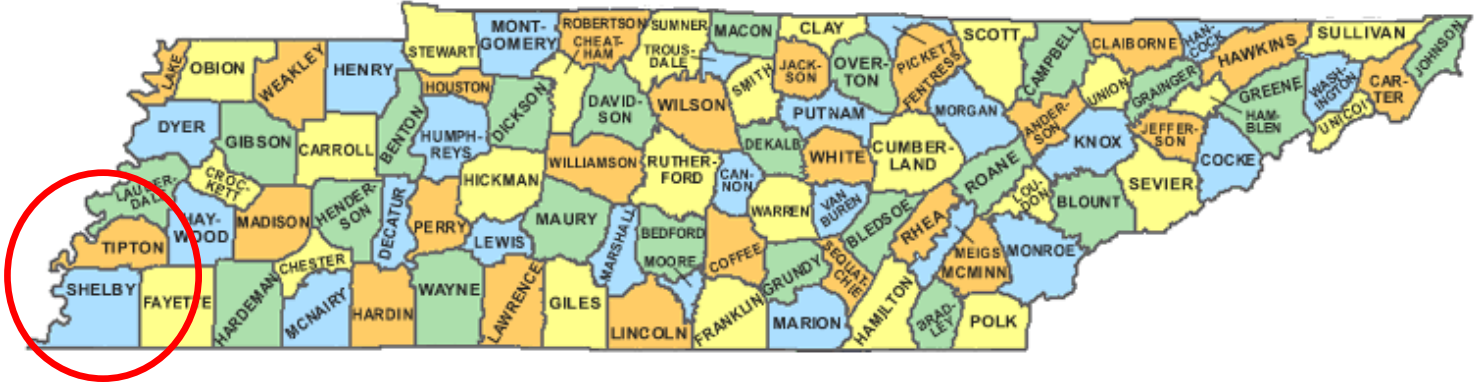
Questions about specific programs available at individual schools are best answered by the school administrators and office staff of that school. However, should you find that the information provided in the handbook or by school officials does not address your family's needs, please do not hesitate to contact your School Liaison for assistance.

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# General Information

## County Map



## Welcome to Naval Support Activity Mid-South

A part of the Navy Region Southeast and the Navy Installations Command, NSA Mid-South serves as the Navy's Human Resources Center of Excellence. Headquartered onboard NSA Mid-South are Navy Personnel Command, Navy Recruiting Command, the Navy Manpower Analysis Center, as well as the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Finance Center. More than 7,500 military, civilian, and contract personnel are assigned/work on base.

NSA Mid-South, located in Millington, Tennessee, just north of Memphis, serves as the Navy's Human Resources Center of Excellence. We are continuing our goal to become the Navy's premiere support installation by striving to maintain excellence in our facilities and services. The efforts and accomplishments of the NSA Mid-South team have been recognized and rewarded the past several years by repeatedly earning both the Governor of Tennessee's Quality Commitment Award and the Greater Memphis Association for Quality Leadership Award.

The School Liaison is available to assist families from all branches of service living within a one-hour driving radius of the installation.



# School Choice



When it comes to a child's education, perhaps nothing causes parents more anxiety than having to choose the *right* school. For military parents, this decision is further complicated by having to choose schools which may be in other parts of the United States or in a different country all together.

In either case, parents have a responsibility to research schools in a given area to determine if the schools can meet the needs of both the family and/or the child. When choosing a school, parents must consider several factors, including but not limited to, the following:

- ◆ price (if private schools are preferred)
- ◆ location
- ◆ school size
- ◆ class size
- ◆ academic rating (vary from state to state)
- ◆ level of discipline
- ◆ extra-curricular activities
- ◆ special needs of child
- ◆ parental involvement
- ◆ schools reputation
- ◆ facilities

The biggest challenge faced by parents is deciding which of these factors are most important and which ones will be important in the life of the child and family. In the end, parents act as the first and primary advocates for their children and their children's education. Therefore, it is important for military parents to take the time to find out all the can about schools at their duty station.

Information about the performance of schools in Shelby and Tipton County can be found at the Tennessee Department of Education website:

<https://www.tn.gov/education/>.

Parents should feel free to contact the local school administrators to address any specific questions or concerns they may have about the information provided in the school's report. **The School Liaison is available to answer general education questions and to offer assistance but is not at liberty to recommend the "best" school for any child or family.** Choosing a school or academic program for a family or child remains the responsibility of the military parent and/or guardian.



# School Start Dates



Tennessee allows local school boards to establish individual school calendars which include opening and closing dates, holiday schedules and teacher staff development days. Listed below are the school start dates for each of the 8 local districts served by the School Liaison.

## 2021 -2022 School Year

<b>Millington Municipal Schools</b>	August 8, 2022
<b>Arlington Community Schools</b>	August 8, 2022
<b>Bartlett City Schools</b>	August 8, 2022
<b>Collierville Schools</b>	August 8, 2022
<b>Germantown Municipal Schools:</b>	August 8, 2022
<b>Lakeland School System</b>	August 8, 2022
<b>Shelby County Schools</b>	August 8, 2022
<b>Tipton County Schools</b>	August 2, 2022 - Abbreviated day,11:30 dismissal August 8, 2022 - First full day for students

# Entry Age Requirement

A child must be five years old on or before August 15 to enter a public Kindergarten. However, a child does not have to enroll in school at five years of age, but enrollment must occur no later than the child's sixth birthday. Any transfer student applying for admission who was legally enrolled in an approved Kindergarten in another state and who will be five years of age no later than December 31 of the current school year, shall be enrolled. So, a child entering school during the fall from another state may enter Kindergarten as long as the child turns five that calendar year and was enrolled in an approved kindergarten in the other state. A Child must have attended an approved Kindergarten program to be considered eligible to enter first grade.

As a member of the Interstate Compact, Tennessee allows military students transferring from an accredited school to continue enrollment at the current level, be eligible for enrollment in the next higher grade, and continue participation in honors, gifted and talented programs regardless of age. The receiving school DOES retain the right to confirm the placement by conduction separate academic assessments.

## Transfer and Admission Procedures

Military families moving to Tennessee and planning to enroll children in local public schools should contact the office of the superintendent where they will be living to determine what registration and/or transfer requirements have been established. Registration is typically held in the spring, with additional registration dates prior to the start of school. Registration policies vary from district to district.

Following Interstate Compact guidelines, Tennessee allows local school districts to accept unofficial records from military families for registration purposes. Local schools may enroll and place students in classes based on the information contained in the unofficial records pending validation by the official records from the sending school. If possible, it is a good idea to request that student's academic and discipline records be forwarded to the student's new school at the time the student officially withdraws from the previous or sending school.

Although schools are closed during the summer, there are typically office staff and administrators available to answer questions regarding registration and/or enrollment. Contacting the School Liaison prior to the move may offer some assistance especially where students with special needs are concerned.

## Attendance Policies

State law grants local boards of education the authority to establish attendance policies. Those policies must be developed with the following guidelines:

- (1) Attendance policies shall be firm but fair so that each student has a reasonable opportunity to meet the minimum requirements;
- (2) Effective accounting and reporting procedures shall be developed to keep parents or guardians informed of a student's absence from class;
- (3) Policies shall accommodate extenuating circumstances created by emergencies over which the student has no control;
- (4) Appeal procedures shall be included to assure the student's right of due process; and
- (5) Alternative programs shall be established to provide educational options for any student who severely fails to meet minimum attendance requirements.

Under newly adopted legislation, military students MAY be granted additional absences if a parent or legal guardian is an active duty military member and has been called to duty for, is on leave from, or has immediately returned from a combat zone or combat support posting. These additional absences, IF granted, are intended to allow the student to visit with his or her parent or legal guardian as a result of the leave of deployment. Parents should seek guidance from their respective school administrators to determine eligibility for these additional absences.

For details regarding a district's individual attendance policy parents should contact their local school district.

# Immunization Requirements

Tennessee Requires the following immunizations:

## **Children enrolling in Kindergarten:**

- Hepatitis B (HBV)
- Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis (DTaP, or DT if appropriate)
- Poliomyelitis (IPV or OPV) - final dose on or after the 4th birthday
- Measles, Mumps, Rubella - 2 doses of each, usually given together as MMR
- Varicella - 2 doses or credible history of disease
- Hepatitis A - total of 2 doses, spaced at least 6 - 18 months apart

## **All children entering 7th grade (including currently enrolled students)**

- Tetanus-diphtheria-pertussis booster (Tdap) - evidence of one Tdap dose given any time before 7th grade entry is required regardless of Td history
- Varicella - 2 doses or credible history of disease

## **Children who are new enrollees in a TN school in grades *other* than Kindergarten:**

- Hepatitis B (HBV)
- Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis (DTaP, or DT if appropriate)
- Poliomyelitis (IPV or OPV - final dose on or after the 4th birthday)
- Measles, Mumps, Rubella - 2 doses of each, normally given together as MMR
- Varicella - 2 doses or credible history of disease
- New students entering grades other than 7th grade are not required to have Tdap

**For guidance regarding children with medical or religious exemption to requirements, please visit:**

<https://www.tn.gov/health/cedep/immunization-program/ip/immunization-requirements/childcare-12th-grade-immunization-requirements.html>

## **PLEASE REMEMBER!**

Required immunizations must be documented on the Official TN Immunization Certificate . Military families may hand deliver immunization records to the Branch Medical clinic, whose personnel will transfer the records onto the necessary Tennessee form. These forms must be signed by a Tennessee physician and are best completed after arrival. For more detailed information contact the Immunizations Department at the Branch Medical Clinic by calling (901) 874-6129.



# Special Education Services

Local schools make every effort to accommodate students with special needs. Parents of these children should ensure that the necessary documentation is available upon arrival—copies of current IEPs, 504 Plan documents, assessments, etc. These documents may be presented to school officials at the time of enrollment.

Legislation in most cases, will allow students to continue services documented on an IEP or other official special education document until the local education agency or school can conduct its own evaluation to confirm placement and the necessity for continued services. Schools may accept copies of important special needs documents until the official documents can be forwarded from the previous school.

Families with special needs considerations may wish to contact the School Liaison or the local school to assist them with accessing the continuity of care needed to support the learning of children with special needs. Active duty service members should contact the **Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) at (901) 874-5075**. The EFMP office is located at the Fleet and Family Support Center, Community Services Bldg. 456.

# Extracurricular Activities

Opportunities to participate in extracurricular activities are available to students in elementary, middle and high school. The types and number of programs available vary from school to school. Depending on the age of the students being served, schools may offer programs either during or after school. Information about these programs, registration deadlines and eligibility requirements will be sent home with students at the appropriate times throughout the school year.

Secondary students wishing to continue participation in sporting or club activities that require audition or try outs are advised to contact the school prior to their arrival to schedule times to meet with program directors. Athletes may consider making game tapes or other records of accomplishments available to the Athletic Director or sports coach for preliminary review. Upon arrival, there MAY be opportunity to make an appointment for try outs or audition to gain a place



Tennessee is a member of the Interstate Compact which states that “local school systems will facilitate the opportunity for transitioning military students to be included in extracurricular activities, regardless of deadlines, to the extent they are ‘otherwise qualified.’” While this is a great opportunity for our military community, students and their families must be diligent about making their desire for participation known. Schools are NOT required to hold a place for military children. Therefore, early contact may facilitate a student’s eligibility for participation.

# Transportation



The Transportation Departments of schools located in Shelby and Tipton County seek to provide students with bus services that are safe, dependable, professional, and cost effective. Millington Municipal Schools offers transportation, through Durham School Services, to students living on-base and has designated bus stops throughout base housing. There is also a bus stop located at the NSAMS Youth Center, which provides before and after school care for students, and an afternoon bus stop at the Teen Center.

**Riding the local public school bus is a privilege** and all students are expected to obey bus rules regarding student behavior. Failure to do so could result in bus incidence reports being made to local school administrators and possible suspension. The rules that govern the buses are designed to promote safety for all students. The rules help to minimize distractions and obstructions for the driver and alleviate situations that could be potentially dangerous.

Bus riders are asked to arrive at designated bus stop locations no later than 20 minutes before the scheduled pick-up time. Students' early arrival helps ensure that the busses can run in a timely and orderly manner.

Parents are reminded that the center aisle of the bus and the emergency exits must remain clear at ALL times. Therefore, the following items should not be brought onto the bus:

- Science fair boards
- Large athletic equipment
- Large band instruments
- Glass
- Animals and insects (alive or dead)

Students may bring other items on the bus that fit in their laps and will not obstruct any emergency exits. For more information about transportation related issues, please contact your schools Transportation Department.

**For information regarding your child's bus stop/route, please contact your school directly.**



# Standardized Testing

**TN Ready** is a part of the **Tennessee Comprehensive Assessment Program (TCAP)**: Students' skills and academic progress are measured by a set of statewide assessments called the TCAP. TCAP measures how well students have learned the knowledge and skills outlined in the state-adopted content standards in language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies. The results of these assessments are reported to parents, teachers and administrators and can be found on the TCAP Results page or the annual Report Card, released each fall.

## REQUIRED TESTING

- ◆ **TCAP for Grades 3-8**
- ◆ **TCAP End-of-Course Assessments - High School**
- ◆ **Multi-State Alternate Assessment (MSAA)** - English language arts and math for students in grades 3-8 and grade 11 with significant cognitive disabilities.
- ◆ **TCAP-Alt** - Assessment for science and social studies for students with the significant cognitive disabilities.
- ◆ **ACCESS For English Learners** - Assessment of ELLs to determine language proficiency.
- ◆ **ACT and SAT** - Students in Tennessee are required to take a college entrance exam (either the ACT or SAT) in the eleventh grade. This is now a graduation requirement for student seeking a regular or honors diploma. Districts in Tennessee contract with ACT to provide an opportunity to take the ACT at their own school during the school day at no cost to the student.
- ◆ **National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)** - The largest nationally representative and continuing assessment of what America's students know and can do in various subject areas. Only a small sample of Tennessee fourth, eighth and twelfth graders will take this test. These groups are chosen by NAEP each year.

When possible, parents of students scheduled for state testing are advised to complete testing in the sending state before moving to a new duty station. This affords students greater opportunity for success and provides the receiving faculty the most current information about a student's level of performance.

Military parents considering relocation to a new school district should know the standardized testing dates for each district and strategically plan relocations accordingly. Typically, students enrolled in a public school at the time of testing are required to take the state's standardized tests.

For additional information regarding Standardized testing in the state of Tennessee, please visit:

<https://www.tn.gov/education/assessment.html>

# Standardized Testing (continued)

## Assessment Calendar

### Estimate Dates for Required Assessments

Assessment Name	Administration	Administration Window
TCAP end-of-course (EOC)	fall block	Nov. 28—Dec. 15
TCAP Achievement (ACH) Grades 3-5 (Paper Based)	spring	April 17—May 5
TCAP ACH Grades 6-8 and TCAP EOC (Computer Based)	spring	April 17—May 5
Alternate Math & ELA (MSSA) Grades 3-11	spring	TBD
TCAP-Alternate Science & Social Studies (Alt) Grades 3-8 and EOC	spring	TBD
TCAP Grade 2 (Optional)*	spring	April 17—May 2
TCAP Grade 2-Alt (Optional)*	Spring	TBD
<b>Other Assessment Dates</b>		
ACT	Fall Senior Retake	Window 1 : Oct 4 Window 1 Accommodations: Oct 4-7 & 10-14 Window 2: Oct 18, 2022 Window 2 Accommodations: Oct 18-21 & 24-28 Emergency Window: Nov 1 Emergency Window Accommodations: Nov 1-4 & 7
SAT	Fall Senior Day	October 12 October 27
National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) Long—Term Trend**	Fall	October 10—December 16

\* Participation in the Grade 2 assessment is a district option and includes both the general education and alternate assessments.

## Standardized Testing (continued)

<b>Other Assessment Dates</b>		
Program for International Student Assessment (PISA)**	Fall	October—November
WIDA ACCESS	Spring	Feb 13—April 3
ACT	Spring Junior Testing (Paper-based)	Window 1: March 7 Window 1 Accommodations: March 7-10 & 13-17 Window 2: March 21 Window 2 Accommodations: March 21-24 & 27-31 Emergency Window: April 4 Emergency Window Accommodations: April 4-7 & 10-14
SAT	Spring School Day	March 1 March 2 April 12 April 25
Trends in International Mathematics and Science Study (TIMSS)**	Spring	April—May
International Computer and Information Literacy Study (ICILS)**	Spring	March—May

\*\*Only a small subset of schools will be selected for national and international assessments administered by the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES). Districts will be notified of selections in Summer 2022.

### **Assessment Calendar Expectations**

This calendar has been developed in accordance with Tennessee Code Annotated 49-6-6001(f) and 49-1-617(b) requiring the Commissioner of Education to create a testing window that maximizes instructional time and returns raw scores before the end of the instructional term. Local Education Agency (LEA) instructional calendars may vary and are at the discretion of local boards of education. LEAs have the flexibility to determine local testing schedules that fall within available administration windows. No later than July 31 of each year, each LEA must post on its website information about state mandated tests and tests mandated by the LEA that will be administered in the upcoming school year, as required by Tennessee Code Annotated 49-6-6007. Publicly posted information shall include the name of each test to be given, the purpose and use of the tests, the grade or class in which the tests are to be administered, the dates on which the tests will be administered, and how and when parents and students will be informed of all test results. LEAs are also required to disseminate the testing information to parents by placing the information in each school's student handbook, or other standard or policy guidebook that contains the policies and procedures of the school and is distributed annually. Specific information on the dates associated with preparations, data validation, and results returns for each state-administered assessment in this calendar document can be found in the Assessment Milestones document, which will be available in August. This calendar document includes dates provided by third-party assessment administration contractor(s) and is subject to change.

# Youth Sponsorship Program

The NSA Mid-South Youth Sponsorship Program is available to elementary, middle and high school students relocating to the Mid-South. Sponsorship allows military youth and teens a chance to “meet” other military youth who are nearly the same age, possibly attend the same school or share like interests.

Trained and enthusiastic Youth Sponsorship Program Ambassadors work to welcome youth and teens to NSAMS and to make them feel “at home” long before they arrive. By hosting “Welcome Aboard” activities, offering school tours, and providing information about local activities, the Sponsorship Program connects military youth with others who understand the feelings and anxieties that often accompany military moves.

## Moving can be hard, We CAN help!

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WANT TO KNOW MORE?

See the attached Youth  
Sponsorship Form!



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# Youth Sponsor Request



<b>Name</b>	First		Last		<b>Age</b>	
	<b>Current Grade</b> (If summer, the last grade completed)		<b>Gender</b>	Male    Female		<b>E-mail Address</b>
<b>Street Address</b>	House/Apartment Number	Street	City	State	Zip Code	

<b>Name of parent or guardian on military orders to new community</b>	First	Last
<b>Arrival date in new community</b>		

Requestor's Hobbies & Interests <i>(To be filled out by requestor)</i>			
Sports	Music	Clubs/Programs	Other Hobbies & Interests
Baseball	Alternative Rock	4-H Club name:	Animals
Basketball	Emo		Cars
Bowling	Choir	Army Teen Panel	Computers
Cheerleading	Classic Rock	Boy Scouts	Cooking
Football	Composing Music	Career Launch	Dancing
Frisbee	Country	Chapel Youth Group	DJ-ing
Golf	Electronica	Dragonfly Quest	Drama
Gymnastics	Gospel	Environmental	Filmmaking
Hiking	Goth	FBLA	Fitness
Hockey	Metal	Geocaching	Movies
Horseback Riding	Hip Hop/Rap	Goals for Graduation	The Outdoors
Judo	Indie Rock	Girl Scouts	Painting
Karate	Industrial	JROTC	Photography
Kung Fu	Pop/Top 40	Junior Honor Society	Reading
Running	Punk	Keystone Club	Science
Soccer	R&B/Soul	Model UN	Scrapbooking
Soft Ball	Reggae	Passport to Manhood	Sightseeing
Swimming	Singing/Vocals	SMART Girls	Skateboarding
Tae Kwon Do	Ska	Sports Club	Technology
Tennis	Techno/Dance	Teen Tech Team	Video Games
Volley Ball	Writing Lyrics	Torch Club	Weblogging
Walking	Other:	Youth Advisory Cnsl.	Weights
Wrestling	I play this instrument:	Youth Ldrshp. Forum	Writing
Other:		Other:	Other:

Please include any additional information that might be helpful to the sponsorship staff in the assignment process as they attempt to pair you with a sponsor whom you will be most compatible with.

I hereby give my consent to the release my child's name and address for the purpose of participating in the Youth Sponsorship Program. I understand that this program is not an official government record and that this information will not be used for any other purpose.

Parents/Guardians signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Youth Sponsorship Request Forms to the NSA Mid-South School Liaison at: [Mill\\_NSA\\_SLO@navy.mil](mailto:Mill_NSA_SLO@navy.mil)

# Tennessee High School Graduation

The Tennessee Department of Education has raised standards and aligned graduation requirements to best prepare students for college and the workforce.

Following the implementation of the Tennessee Diploma Project in 2009, high school students must complete 22 credits to graduate. They also will be tested in core subject areas with End of Course exams, part of the Tennessee Comprehensive Assessment Program, or TCAP. Their performance on these exams will factor into their semester grade for the course.

To receive a regular high school diploma, all students enrolled in a Tennessee public school during their eleventh (11th) grade year must take either the ACT or SAT.



## Total Required Credits: 22

- ◆ **Math:** 4 credits, including Algebra I, II, Geometry and a fourth higher level math course (Students must be enrolled in a mathematics course each school year.)
- ◆ **English:** 4 credits
- ◆ **Science:** 3 credits, including Biology, Chemistry or Physics, and a third lab course
- ◆ **Social Studies:** 3 credits, including U.S. History and Geography, World History and Geography, U.S. Government and Civics, and Economics
- ◆ **Physical Education and Wellness:** 1.5 credits
- ◆ **Personal Finance:** 0.5 credits (Three years of JROTC may be substituted for one-half unit of Personal Finance if the JROTC instructor attends the Personal Finance training.)
- ◆ **Foreign Language:** 2 credits (May be waived by the local school district for students, under certain circumstances, to expand and enhance the elective focus)
- ◆ **Fine Arts:** 1 credit (may be waived by the local school district for students, under certain circumstances, to expand and enhance the elective focus)
- ◆ **Elective Focus:** 3 credits consisting of Math and Science, Career and Technical Education, Fine Arts, Humanities, Advanced Placement (AP) or International Baccalaureate (IB)

See more at: <https://www.tn.gov/education/instruction/graduation-requirements.html>

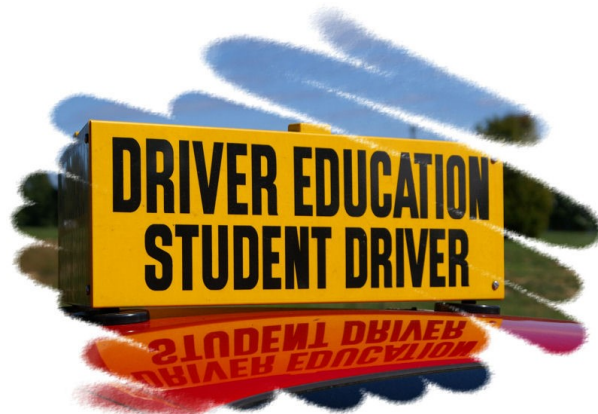
# Tennessee Driver's Education Requirements

## To enroll in a Driver's Ed course, you must:

- Be at least 15 years old.
- Already have your Tennessee learner's permit.

## To get your learner's permit, you must:

- Be at least 15 years old.
- Pass a vision test.
- Pass the driver's license written exam.
- Have your parent or guardian sign your application.
- Prove you are currently enrolled in school. This letter must be signed and dated by the principal or guidance counselor no more than 30 days prior to your Tennessee application.
- Prove your identity and TN residency.



Although driver's education is not usually required, if you get 2 moving violations while on your restricted driver's license, **you MUST complete Driver's Ed before you can graduate to an unrestricted TN driver's license.** Driver's Ed courses are offered at TN public schools. Approved third-party driving schools, which may offer courses of different lengths and formats, including online driver's education are also available. Costs for these courses vary, so check with a local school for specific information.

Classroom or online Driver's Ed instruction typically covers the information and theories that are essential to safe driving.

- TN driving laws, violations, and penalties.
- Ways to avoid distracted driving.
- Safe vehicle operation.
- Driving in emergencies and hazardous conditions.
- The effects of alcohol on driving.
- Behind-the-Wheel Instruction
- Behind-the-wheel instruction is practical driving instruction in a car with dual controls.
- The instructor will teach you skills and techniques to use in the operation of a vehicle, building your skills and confidence as a safe driver.
- Types of Driver's Ed Courses

If completing the course through a third-party provider, make sure they have been certified by the TN Department of Safety.

## Driver's Education (continued)

### After Driver's Ed – Getting Your TN License

Taking Driver's Ed is a great way to acquire the skills you need to get your first Tennessee driver's license.

#### To get your intermediate license, you must:

- Be at least 16 years old
- Have held your learner's permit for at least 180 days
- Complete 50 hours of supervised behind-the-wheel experience, including 10 hours at night, verified with the Certification of 50 Hours of Behind the Wheel Driving Experience (Form SF-1256)
- Pass a driving test, also called a road skills test
- Provide all required documentation
- A vision screening will be required only if you are exchanging a learner permit or license from another state.





## In-State Tuition

For periods of enrollment that begin after July 1, 2009, members of the armed forces (Army, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard) on active duty for a period of more than 30 days and his or her spouse, or his or her dependent children, will be eligible to receive in-state tuition at public college and university in the state where they reside or are permanently stationed. Once a service member or their family members are enrolled, and paying in-state tuition, they will continue to pay the in-state tuition at the institution, even if the service member is reassigned outside the state. This change, signed into law August 14, 2008, is included in section 135 of the Higher Education Opportunity Act of 1965 (HEA).

The Department of Education has worked to ensure that all institutions are aware of and appropriately implement this program. However, should service members or family members experience any difficulties in gaining access to this program they should contact the Office of Education Ombudsman's office at [1-877-557-2575](tel:1-877-557-2575). Questions regarding this program and its implementation can be answered there.

Additionally, High School Seniors may apply for the **Tennessee Promise scholarship**, which will provide two years of tuition-free attendance at a community or technical college in Tennessee. Information about the Tennessee Promise scholarship is available at <http://tnpromise.gov/>.

Active duty members and spouses requiring information about postsecondary choices are advised to utilize the **Navy College Program** by going online to: <http://www.navycollege.navy.mil/>



# Homeschool Information

Parents in Tennessee may choose to home school their own children in grades K - 12. The Tennessee Home School law (Tennessee Code Annotated § 49-6-3050) states: "A home school is a school conducted or directed by a parent or parents or a legal guardian or guardians for their own children." Parents desiring to home school their own children may do so by choosing one of the following three options.

## **Independent Home School:**

Parents choosing this educational option should begin by contacting the local school district. The parent will be required to complete an Intent to Home School form and provide evidence of a high school diploma or GED. Student attendance (at least 4 hours per day, 180 days per year) must be reported to the local school district at the end of the school year. Proof of vaccination and receipt of any health services or examinations, as required by law, must also be submitted. Testing of independent home school students is required in grades 5, 7, and 9 and coordinated through the local school district.

## **Church-related Umbrella School:**

Parents may also home school their own children by registering with a church-related "umbrella" school defined by Tennessee Code Annotated § 49-50-801. Parents who choose this option will be required to provide evidence to the local school district that their child is enrolled in a church-related school. An Intent to Home School form is not required for students who enrolled in a church-related school. The church-related school will determine record keeping and test requirements for students enrolled in an umbrella program.

## **Accredited Online School:**

Parents may also enroll their child in an accredited online school. Parents choosing this educational option must be sure to determine that the school has legitimate accreditation status and will be required to provide evidence to the local school district that their child is enrolled in an accredited online school. To be an acceptable online school for students who reside in Tennessee, the school must be accredited by one of regional accrediting agencies.

For a list of accrediting agencies and curriculum resources please visit:

<https://www.tn.gov/education/school-options/home-schooling-in-tn.html>

**For Additional Support:** Parents looking for homeschooling legal resource can contact the Home Schooling Legal Defense Association at [www.hsllda.org](http://www.hsllda.org).

**For Additional Questions:** Email [Home.School@tn.gov](mailto:Home.School@tn.gov).

## Private and Parochial Schools Information

Many parents and guardians select private or parochial schools for their children. The quantity and quality of these schools varies. To aid in the selection of a private school, parents may wish to visit a site such as [www.privateschoolreview.com](http://www.privateschoolreview.com) which allows parents to identify private schools in a desired geographical area. Please contact the School Liaison regarding private and parochial schools in the Mid-South area.

## Base Support Organizations

### Child and Youth Programs

[www.militarychildcare.com](http://www.militarychildcare.com)

### Child Development Center

Building S-780

Phone: (901) 874-5745

### Youth Center

Phone: (901) 874-5155

### Teen Center

Phone: (901) 874-5494

### Base Chapel

Building S-777

Phone: (901) 874-5341

### Branch Medical Clinic

Building S-771

Phone: (901) 874-6100

### Exceptional Family Member Program

Fleet and Family Support Center

Building S-456

Phone: (901) 874-5075

### Fleet and Family Service Center

Building S - 456, 3rd Deck

Phone: (901) 874-5075

### Immunizations

Building S-771

Phone: (901) 874-6129

### Medical EFMP for Overseas Clearance

Building S-771

Phone: (901) 874-6100

### Mid-South Family Housing

Phone: (901) 872-8905

Website: <http://www.midsouthfamilyhousing.com/>

### Morale, Recreation and Welfare

Building S - 455

(901) 874-5576

[www.navymwrmaidsouth.com](http://www.navymwrmaidsouth.com)

### Navy Housing

Building S-456

Phone: (901) 874-5547

### My Navy Career Center

Building S - 456

ID Cards: (901) 874-6419

Customer Service: (901) 874-5955

# Frequently Asked Questions

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

School Liaison (SL) help by providing you with educational information on your new area (based on residence) and can also connect you with a SL at your next duty station. 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 military 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 the NSA Mid-South area. We can provide overall information on districts as well as help you determine what schools you might be mapped to once you have a residence.

## **What are the health and immunization requirements?**

Immunization and health checkup fact sheet for the Tennessee Dept of Education can be found at: <http://tn.gov/health/article/childcare-12th-grade-immunization-requirements>. Once you determine where you will live and what school your child will attend, you should also check with your school to be sure there are no additional district requirements.

## **What are the School Registration procedures?**

This depends on what school district you are looking to enroll your child in. We recommend that once you establish residence, that you contact the school directly.

## **What do I do if I'm on a housing wait-list or am in temporary housing?**

Most military housing areas and school districts within school boundaries of military housing are familiar with this situation. We recommend that you ask your local housing office for a letter that indicates that you are on the waitlist. Most times this is all the schools need to proceed with registration. If you have questions or issues, please contact your SL.

## **What options are there for before and after school care?**

We recommend that you start looking for care early! As soon as you arrive and have registered your child in school, begin by asking your school or district what they offer. This is many times the best option, particularly if they offer on-site care. If they don't, many times the school will know what is available close to the school or in your community. If you are still having difficulty, contact your School Liaison and they will work with you to try to find other options. Also, if you are living on base the Child and Youth Programs offer before and after school child care services.

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

The Interstate Compact seeks to make transition easier for the children of military families so that they are afforded the same opportunities for educational success as other children and are not penalized or delayed in achieving their educational goals. More information can be found at: [www.mic3.net](http://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 that you are planning to send your child(ren) to. You should also contact the Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) to ensure that you are enrolled and that you have all information and resources that they offer.

## **Can School Liaison advocate in an IEP for my child?**

The Navy School Liaisons are not able to advocate on your behalf. In our program, we offer information, resources and help you find the right people to talk to at the school or district. If you ever have issues with your IEP or school, please call your School Liaison since we also have many community resources that can offer guidance and direct assistance.

## **Can I enroll my student in a School District other than the one we are zoned for?**

Students enrolling in public school attend their zoned school unless they have received approval for a Transfer Request. Transfer Requests must be submitted during the school's Open Enrollment period, which is typically 30 days. Transfer Requests are approved based on space availability by grade level. Transfer Requests are not accepted outside of the Open Enrollment window, with the exception of Shelby County Schools.

## Online Resources

<b>Tennessee Department of Education</b>	<a href="http://tn.gov/education/">http://tn.gov/education/</a>
<b>Military OneSource</b>	<a href="http://www.militaryonesource.mil">www.militaryonesource.mil</a>
<b>Trevor Romain—Anchored4Life</b>	<a href="http://anchored4life.com/">http://anchored4life.com/</a>
<b>Military Child Education Coalition</b>	<a href="http://www.militarychild.org">www.militarychild.org</a>
<b>Transition Information</b>	<a href="http://www.militaryk12partners.dodea.edu">www.militaryk12partners.dodea.edu</a>
<b>Military Kids Connect (Great for teens!)</b>	<a href="http://militarykidsconnect.dcoe.mil">http://militarykidsconnect.dcoe.mil</a>
<b>Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission</b>	<a href="http://www.mic3.net">www.mic3.net</a>
<b>Military Installations</b>	<a href="http://www.militaryinstallations.dod.mil">www.militaryinstallations.dod.mil</a>
<b>Military Impacted Schools Association</b>	<a href="http://www.militaryimpactedschoolsassociation.org">www.militaryimpactedschoolsassociation.org</a>
<b>SchoolQuest</b>	<a href="http://www.schoolquest.org">www.schoolquest.org</a>
<b>Tutor.com</b>	<a href="http://www.tutor.com/military">www.tutor.com/military</a>
<b>Navy MWR</b>	<a href="http://www.NavyMWR.org">www.NavyMWR.org</a>
<b>Home Schooling Legal Defense Association</b>	<a href="http://www.hsllda.org">www.hsllda.org</a>
<b>Private School Review</b>	<a href="http://www.privateschoolreview.com">www.privateschoolreview.com</a>
<b>Navy College Program</b>	<a href="http://www.navycollege.navy.mil">www.navycollege.navy.mil</a>
<b>DirectSTEP</b>	<a href="http://www.navycyp.ds.lrp.com">www.navycyp.ds.lrp.com</a>
<b>LD Online</b>	<a href="http://www.ldonline.org">www.ldonline.org</a>
<b>Center for Parent Information &amp; Resources</b>	<a href="http://www.parentcenterhub.org">www.parentcenterhub.org</a>
<b>DODEA</b>	<a href="http://www.dodea.edu">www.dodea.edu</a>
<b>DODEA NDSP</b>	<a href="http://www.dodea.edu/nonDoD">www.dodea.edu/nonDoD</a>
<b>My Navy Portal (MyPCS)</b>	<a href="https://my.navy.mil/">https://my.navy.mil/</a>

# School Registration

## Guidance



The following is general guidance for registering your child for school. For specific school information please contact your District Office. The following documentation is needed to register your child for school.

**TWO** proofs of residence. The following items are approved for proof of residence:

- Valid driver's license or state-issued ID
- Current Memphis Light, Gas and Water (MLGW) bill
- Lease/rental agreement
- Public assistance/government benefits form
- Real estate tax receipt
- Municipal water bill
- Mortgage statement or deed

In addition, **ALL** of the following:

- Certified Birth Certificate (mother's copy will not be accepted) age 5 on or before August 15, 2022
- Child's social security card
- Proof of current physical and immunization record on the Tennessee School Form



FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR NSA MID-SOUTH SCHOOL LIAISON AT (901) 874-5343 OR EMAIL AT Mill\_NSA\_SLO@NAVY.MIL