

Naval Support Activity South Potomac SLO Newsletter

Special "Back To School" Edition

SCHOOL LIAISON News



Aug-Sept. 2017

What is NEX A/OK?

Motivate your students with The Navy Exchange (NEX) A-OK Student Reward Program. Four times per school year, four students will be the recipients of a \$5,000, \$3,000 \$2,000 or \$1,000 U.S. savings bonds. Any military dependent who is a full-time student that has a B-grade point average may enter the drawing to win the savings bonds. To enter the drawing, stop by any NEX with a current report card and have a NEX associate verify the report card. Then your student will receive an A-OK discount ID card for selected goodies and some FREE items and an entry form for the savings bond drawing.

To find out more about this program, visit your local NEX or online at

https://www.mynavyexchange.com/command/community/a.ok.program.html

REMINDER!!!

Back to School Bash – Aug. 3 Dahlgren Parade Field, Aug. 28 Indian Head Community Center at 11:00-1:00 pm

Dahlgren School BOO HOO WOO HOO Breakfast – Aug. 28 at 8:30

King George County Schools starts 8/14

Dahlgren School starts 8/28

Charles County Public Schools 9/5

KGHS Youth Sponsorship Event with the Freshman Aug. 11 at 11:45

If you missed the Back to School Bash events and in need of school supplies, please contact your School Liaison.

Are you ready for the New School Year?

Check with your local school or log on to your school system's home page to find out about......

- 1. 2017-2018 School Calendar
- New Student Orientation Date(s)
- 3. Back to School Night(s)
- 4. Student/Parent Handbook
- Parent Portal (secure access to grades & attendance)
- 6. Supply Lists for Individual Schools
- 7. Bus Stop (Locations and pick up/drop off times)
- 8. Sports Tryouts
- 9. Prepaid Meal Plan for school lunch
- 10. Before and After School Care

King George County Schools website: www.kgcs.k12.va.us

Charles County Schools www.ccboe.com

Dahlgren School

http://www.dodea.edu/Dahlgren/index.cfm

Visit the School Liaison Officer webpage at www.navymwrdahlgren.com and www.navymwrindianhead.com for news, school info and various resource links.

ARE YOU NEW TO THE COMMUNITY?

Frequent relocations are some- thing military youth get accustomed to; however difficulty of leaving behind friends can make youth more vulnerable to negative influences or risk factors due to isolation and loneliness. That's why we have an initiative to assist transitioning students called Youth Sponsorship Program, an Office of the Secretary of Defense initiative.

The Youth Sponsorship Program is two-fold: Installation Centric and School-Based to help incoming youth adjusted to their new surroundings. Our Navy Youth Centers have the Peer 2 Peer youth sponsorship program and many of our local schools have CONNECTIONS: School-Based Sponsorship Programs such as Student to Student (S2S), Peer to Peer, Ambassador Club for high school students and Junior Student to Student (JS2S), Anchored4Life, Ambassador Club for middle schoolers and elementary students.

Our Youth Sponsorship Programs are FUN and an AWESOME way for incoming youth to make new friends and become part of the community.

Additionally, the Office of Secretary of Defense sponsors a website for transitioning youth at www.militarykidsconnect.dcoe.mil.

Contact your installation's Youth Center Director or School Liaison for more information.

HELPFUL "BACK TO SCHOOL" WEBSITES

Below are some website resources that may assist you or your student throughout this school year!

State Education Information:

- ✓ Maryland State Department of Education www.marylandpublicschools.org
- √ Virginia State Department of Education http://www.doe.virginia.gov/

Transitioning Resources:

✓ School Quest - http://www.schoolquest.org

Designed for military students, their families and the caring professionals who support them, SchoolQuest is an educational resource tool from the Military Child Education Coalition. SchoolQuest is well-suited to anyone who is "questing" information about schools, college and workplace readiness, transition, etc. It's also a secure storage site for students' educational, extra-curricular, award, volunteer and work information.

✓ School Tree - www.schooltree.org

A complete listing of public, private, charter and magnet schools, organized by state.

Academic Support:

✓ Tutoring (Tutor.com) - www.tutor.com

Free for children of Active Duty Military. Get on-line tutoring with a live teacher, available 24/7.

Military families can continue to visit US Museums for FREE until Labor Day. This program is paid for through the Blue Star Museum Program which is run jointly by the National Endowment for the Arts and Blue Star Families. For more information go visit them online at: https://www.arts.gov/news/2017/blue-star-museums-offers-free-admission-eighth-year

Additionally, Science Museum of Virginia exhibit admission is free for active duty military and immediate members from May 29 through Sept. 4, 2017. Standard fees apply for Da Vinci Alive- The Experience and Dome Features. For more information, please call 804-864-1400 or visit www.smv.org.

Trevor Romain's Anchored4Life for **Dahlgren School** students is here. The Trevor Romain Company has teamed up with the US Navy to bring the youth of our nation a comprehensive transition and resiliency training in accordance with the Navy School Base programming standards. The company has trained a group of students and school staff to offer positive support, encouragement and life skills to students as they face many unique challenges. Anchored4Life goals are (1) to teach and reinforce life skills to better connect with their peers and community during transitions (2) Provide growing opportunities to increase competency and character by positively addressing setbacks and (3) Build confident leaders who inspire others by contributing to a caring and supportive environment.

The mission of the group: Helping to develop happier, healthier and more confident kids

YOUR NSASP SLO IS HERE TO SERVE YOU at Indian Head and Dahlgren...

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Indian Head My Generation Youth Center 301-743-5456

HAVE A GREAT 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR!