

K-12 EDUCATION AND SLO SERVICES

Sending your child to school is compulsory and mandated by law however, how you decide to educate your child is a matter of choice. This brochure provides a snapshot of the educational options for your military child while you are assigned to Joint Base Andrews. Please give us a call and let us assist you with your transition.

SLO services are designed to address educational issues of children of the Total Force by assisting families in coping with the normal reactions to the stressors related to multiple relocations, deployments and the everyday challenges of military lifestyle.

The JBA Andrews SLO provides guidance to military-connected families with children primarily attending Prince George's County Schools, Home School, and Private Schools in the surrounding area.



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Prince George County Public Schools

The majority of military children living on or around Joint Base Andrews attend Prince George County Public schools. PGCPs is nationally recognized for innovative programs and initiatives that provide students with unique learning opportunities, including arts integration, environmental and financial literacy, and language immersion.

Enrollment

As mandated by the State of Maryland, children admitted to the kindergarten program in public schools shall be five (5) years old on or before September 1 of the school year in which they are applying. If your child is enrolling in a PGCPs for the first time, regardless of the grade, you need proof of address, proof of child's identity, and current medical information. Please visit the PGCPs website (www.pgcp.org) or call the Student Liaison Officer (SLO" for more information.

Zoning

Public Schools Serving Children residing on JB Andrews:

- **Francis T. Evans Elementary School** located in Clinton, MD (near the Virginia Gate)
- **Stephen Decatur Middle School, grades 6-8** located in Clinton, MD
- **Dr. Henry A. Wise, Jr. High School, grades 9-12** located in Upper Marlboro, MD
- **Imagine Andrews Public Charter School, grades K-8** located on Joint Base Andrews

Home School



Home schooling has become an option used by an increasing number of families through the nation, including

military families. If you live in Prince George's County and chose to homeschool your child, you will need to file a Notice of Intent to Home School with the PGCPs Home Schooling Office. For home schooled students assigned to Joint Base Andrews, there are a few local home education organizations available to provide advice, mentoring, and collaboration. Call the SLO for a list of home school organizations and detailed information on the home schooling process.



Private Schools

In addition to Public and Home School options, there are numerous Private Schools in the area surrounding Joint Base Andrews. For families preferring Private School, the following link may be helpful:

www.privateschoolreview.com

The Private School Review website allows you to search for schools by selected criteria to include location and religious preference.



Moving Soon?

Please see the below checklist to assist in a smooth transition to your next duty station.

These items should be hand carried

- Student's original/certified birth certificate
- Student's social security card
- Legal documents as needed (power of attorney, custody papers, etc.)
- A copy of your military PCS orders
- Medical records

Current school Information

- Copy of school records (include report card, withdrawal grades with schedule or progress report, etc.)
- Medical records to support diagnosis, orders, or care under IEP or 504
- Copy book covers and table of contents of (of appropriate text books. This will help with placement of certain levels/classes)
- Record key names and contact information (numbers, e-mail and fax numbers for current school) This information can be difficult to gather once you depart)

Contact your local SLO 30 days before your move so the SLO can assist in the educational transition of your child.

