



Welcome New Families!

Congratulations on your move and welcome to the National Capital Region! PCSing can be an extremely stressful experience, and it is our goal to provide you with the resources you need to have a smooth transition for your family.

The National Capitol Region is large, but manageable if you break it down. It serves three areas: Washington D.C., Maryland and Virginia. This combined area is often abbreviated as the D.M.V.

Joint Base Fort Myer-Henderson Hall is a military community that serves several school districts throughout the D.M.V.:

- Arlington County Public Schools (APS)
- Alexandria City Public Schools (ACPS)
- Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) that serves Fort Belvoir
- Washington District of Columbia Schools (DCPS) that serves Joint Base Anacostia-Bolling

Families that reside on Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall and enrolled in the School Age Care Program are zoned for the following Arlington County Public schools:

- Alice West Fleet Elementary
- Thomas Jefferson Middle School
- Washington-Liberty High School

For information on bus routes, please contact Arlington Public Schools Transportation Office at (703) 228-8000, option 1.

If you are looking for before/after care or open recreation, please contact Parent Central Service at jbmh.mwr.cyss.registration@us.army.mil. To join the waitlist for our childcare programs, go to <https://public.militarychildcare.csd.disa.mil/mcc-central/mcchome/>.

Virginia

Arlington County Public Schools (APS) System's website: <https://www.apsva.us/>

APS handbook for families: <https://www.apsva.us/registration/aps-handbook/>

APS Enrolling/Registration: <https://www.apsva.us/registration/>

The most up to date information about registration can be found at the APS registration website. The school to which your children will be zoned to attend is based on your residential address. In addition, for those interested, APS offers several "option schools," that families may enter through a lottery system. Locations of neighborhood and option schools can be found here:

<https://www.apsva.us/schools-programs/#es-neighborhood>. The process of registration can be done by a parent or legal guardian in person at the neighborhood school or the APS Welcome Center, or online. All students must submit a [Commonwealth of Virginia School Entrance Health Form](#).

Alexandria City Public Schools (ACPS), System's website: <https://www.acps.k12.va.us/>,
ACPS Resources for families: <https://www.acps.k12.va.us/families>

ACPS Enrolling/Registration: <https://www.acps.k12.va.us/enroll>

The school to which your children will be zoned to attend is based on your residential address along with school attendance capacities. Please see the website for options and transfer for further information. The process of registration is done in person by the parent or legal guardian, who will need to make an appointment with the school registrar and bring your completed documents.

Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS), System's website: <https://www.fcps.edu/>
ACPS Resources for families: <https://www.acps.k12.va.us/families>

ACPS Enrolling/Registration: <https://www.fcps.edu/registration>

The school to which your children will be zoned to attend is based on your residential address. In addition, for those interested, FCPS offers three Magnet School options, along with several specialized programs that families may enter through a lottery system after registering with your "home school". Please see the website for further information on options and transfers. The process of registration can be done online or in person by the parent or legal guardian.

Washington D.C.

District of Columbia Public School (DCPS) System's website: <https://dcps.dc.gov/>
DCPS Resources for Families: <https://dcps.dc.gov/page/dcps-policies>

DCPS Enrolling/Registration: <https://enrolldcps.dc.gov/>

Washington D.C. Public Schools offer registration that can be done online and is based on your residential address. D.C. residents also have the option to apply for a lottery for public charter schools. For more information on the charter school system, see the website here: <https://dcpcsb.org/school-profiles>

Along with these resources, you are always welcome to reach out to your School Liaison Officers to help you navigate any questions or problems you may be experiencing. We look forward to hearing from you and hope that you enjoy living in the DMV!

Very Respectfully,

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