# DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE SCHOOL LIAISON PROGRAM

## PreK-12 Education

Supporting Readiness, Retention and Recruiting



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#### Charge to Community Leaders

Military families report that the decision to continue military service is influenced by public education opportunities for their children. To address this issue, the Secretaries of the Army, Navy and Air Force informed the National Governor's Association that...

"Eliminating or mitigating these barriers will improve quality of life for our military families and ease the stress of transferring duty stations with consideration for long-term career implications. We realize improving schools... will take time. Over the long term, however, leaders who want to make a difference for the military and our missions will make the most impact if we focus on what matters."

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# **OUR WHY?**

Readiness, Retention, and Recruitment of the Future Force





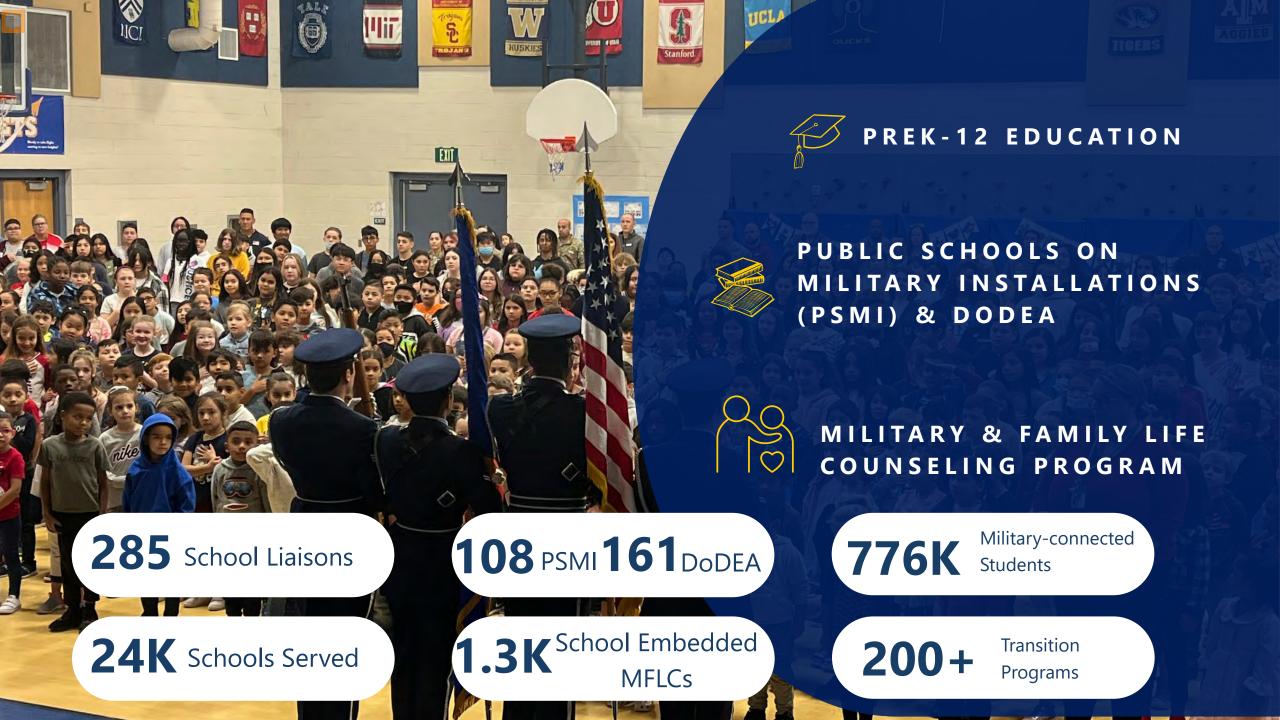




#### **Total Force Program**

- Service DoD Total Force service members to include
  - Active Duty Guard Reserve
  - DoD Civilians
  - Retirees
  - National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)
  - United States Public Health Service (USPHS)
  - Foreign national employees assigned and working directly for the DoD
  - DoD Contractors working full-time on the installation
  - Educators that service military-connected students

Building a Purple Capacity Community



#### **Customer Focus**



#### **PreK-12 Education SME**



# **Installation Commander Driven Program**



Lynchpin, Influencer and Ambassador





# How Our School Liaisons apport Military Leadership





### **School Liaison Program Portfolio**



ECP/PIE School Navigation & Options Homeschool Support **Special Education Navigation Transition Support** Deployment & Parental Absence College, Career & Military Readiness Grants & Scholarships Professional Development & Workshops MIC3 Compliance & Training

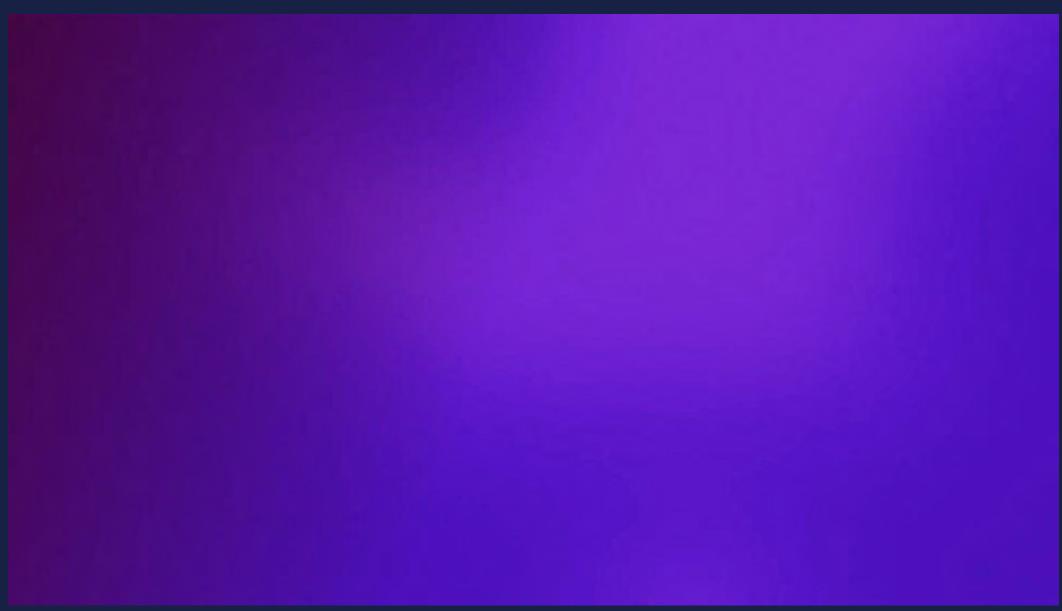
### Driving Systemic Change in the Communities We Serve

Highly Visible - Highly Responsible - High Capability









### **Tracking Trends**

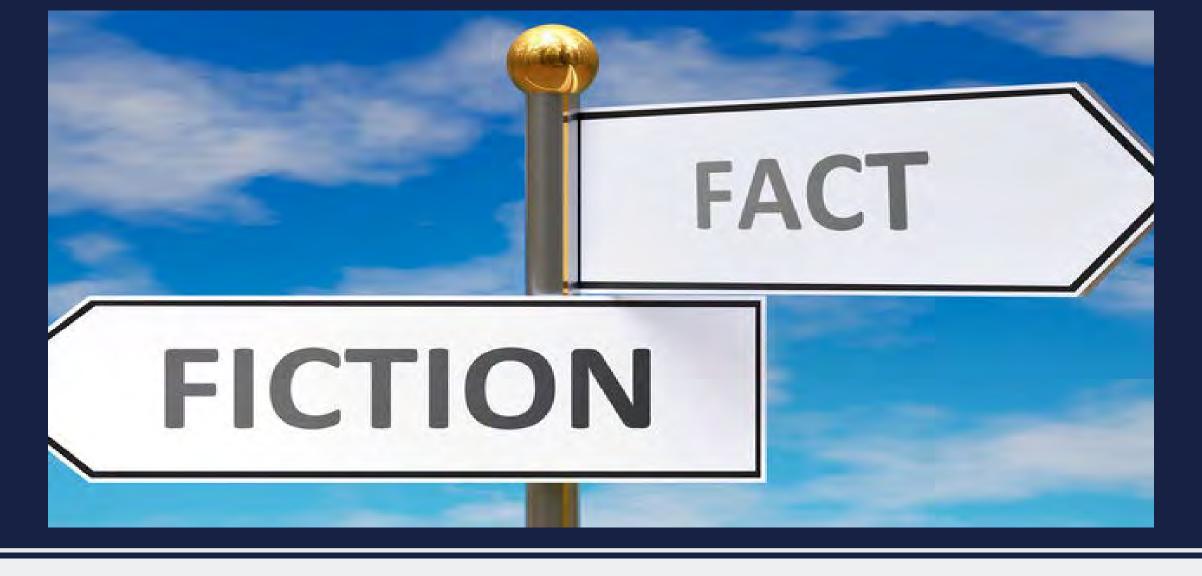
#### Program

- Duplication of Effort from Private Organization
- Lack of Awareness of SL Program
- Communication with Command Teams
- Reciprocal Partnerships with Schools

#### Families/Students

- Housing
- Pre-Kindergarten availability
- School Choice or Attendance Zones
- Early College High School Continuation
- Magnet School Lottery
- State Immunization Requirements
- Advance Placement/Dual Credit Issues/MS Credit

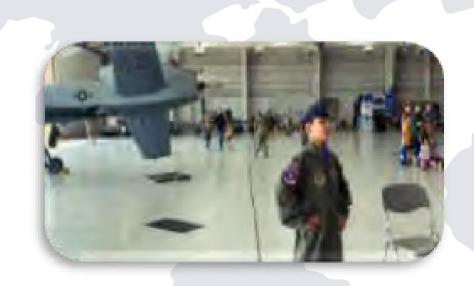




**SLP Edition** 



#### What? So What? Now What?







#### Connect with Us

- ✓ Provide support Tools Programs Advocacy
- ✓ PARTNERSHIPS Drive RESULTS
- ✓ Call Anytime!
- **✓ YOUR Voice Can Make A Difference**



## Inside a Successful Program...

- Strong Education Community Partnerships
- Pulse on Education in the Community
- Initiatives to Improve PreK-12 Education
- School Based Programming
- Crisis Action Planning Team Member

- Joint Service Collaboration
- PreK-12 Working Groups or Education Councils
- Providing Professional Development in Schools
- Partnership with Defense State Liaison
   Office
- Collaborate with Host Nation



#### **DoD Requirements**

- Direct access to Installation Commander
- SME on PreK-12 Education
- Engagement with Schools
- Annual OSD Certification Inspection
- Local and State Level Responsibilities
- Identify Educational Gaps, Coordinate, and Advocate
- Joint Service Reciprocity
- Status of Education Immersion
- Commander Flexibility on School Liaison priorities, office location, communication protocol and supervision



Primary OPR for all PreK-12 engagements, challenges, concerns, education programming components to include Special Education, state-level or host-nation representation, and education community partnerships