

*Easing the Transition for Military-Connected Children and their Families
Initiatives in Virginia Beach City Public Schools*

I. Actively Engaging the Community: A Military Presence in Schools

- A. Partners in Education, Volunteers and Mentors
 - 1. VASS and NMSI—Initiative for Military Families Now in Three High Schools
 - 2. 21 Model Partnerships with Military Recognized for Best Practices
 - 3. Hampton Road STEM Academy and Summer Camp
 - 4. STEM Career Conferences
 - 5. STEM Robotics Challenge
 - 6. Classroom Enrichment Opportunities – Military Parents Involved in Field Trips, Projects and Activities
- B. Parent Connection
 - 1. Guest Columns to address topics of interest/need
 - 2. Welcome Packets
 - 3. Monthly Workshops
- C. Targeted Guidance Services
 - 1. Deployment Groups
 - 2. Anti-bullying Activities/Programs
 - 3. Individual and Small Group Counseling
 - 4. SAT/ACT Test Prep Support

II. Grants to Support Military Students and Families

- A. Military-Connected Academic Support Program (MCASP)
 - 1. Military Child and Families Education Graduate Certificate (ODU)
 - 2. Counselor Transition Training Program (ODU)
 - 3. Military-Connect Guidance Counselors at Six Target Schools
 - a. S2S and JS2S (MCEC Training)
 - b. Parent Connection Centers in Schools
 - 4. K-12 Professional Development Program (NIA)
 - 5. Military Parent/Guardian Advisory Committee
- B. Strategic Foreign Language Expansion Program (S-FLEP)
- C. Two 21st Century Community Learning Center Grants
 - 1. College Readiness and Career Workforce Focus
 - 2. Integrated Parent Training
 - 3. Tutoring and Homework Assistance
 - 4. Summer Programs