



Naval Support Activity Mid-South

K-12

Education Handbook



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NSAMS School Liaison

Child & Youth Education Services

Welcome to NSA Mid-South,

As School Liaison (SL) for NSA Mid-South, my role is to help parents in making their child's educational transition to the Mid-South a smooth one. My focus is to provide school information enabling parents to make informed decisions for the best educational fit for their child as well as educate local schools and community organizations on the unique challenges military families face due to frequent transitions and deployments. I serve as the primary point of contact between parents, the military installation and the local school community.

Seven core areas:

- School Transition Services (PCS Cycle)
- Deployment Support
- Post-secondary Preparation
- Partnerships in Education
- Homeschool Linkage and Support
- Special Education System Navigation
- Installation, School and Community Communications

You can visit the NSA MWR Facebook page for timely information on upcoming events for military families, educational articles and learning-based activities: <https://www.facebook.com/navymwrnmidsouth/>

There is also a SL page, on the NSA Mid-South MWR website, with information on local public and private schools in the area, as well as resources and information on homeschooling, easing transitions and school options. This web page houses information for transitioning families regarding special education, TN school registration, graduation requirements, and much more! You can visit this page at

<https://www.navymwrnmidsouth.com/programs/b0037509-8cba-4b10-9655-4cd063a2fb33>

If you are in need of any additional information please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns you may have. I am here to help Navy families be the best "advocate" for their child's education. Once again, welcome aboard!

V/r,
Your NSA Mid-South School Liaison

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Surrounding School Districts

Many military families and contractors assigned to Naval Support Activity Mid-South choose to live in either Shelby or Tipton County. Families living in the following counties should take comfort in knowing that the superintendents, administrators, and faculties of these school districts are eager and ready to serve their educational needs. The following Individual School, and District wide, data was populated using the following references:

Enrollment: TN Dept. of Education

Grades Served: TN Dept. of Education

Military Student Population: TN Dept. of Education, ED Impact Aid System Military Membership Report.

Chronically Out of School: TN Dept. of Ed.—The Chronically Out of School indicator is measured by the rate of chronic absenteeism, which is defined as the percent of students who missed at least 10% of the instructional days that they were enrolled for during the school year.

Ready Graduate: TN Dept. of Ed.—The Ready Graduate rate represents the percent of students who are ready for postsecondary education and/or career before high school graduation. The Ready Graduate rate data used for district accountability lag for one year; hence, the data reported in the 2021-22 Report Card came from the 2021 graduating cohort.

Graduation Rate: TN Dept. of Ed.—District Graduation Rate indicator reflects the district's graduation rate while taking the district's performance on preparing students to be college and career ready into account. Graduation rate data used for district accountability lag for one year; hence, the data reported in the 2021-22 Report Card came from the 2020-21 graduating cohort.

Average ACT Composite: TN Dept. of Education

CTE Concentrators: TN Dept. of Ed.—The CTE Concentrators rate represents the percentage of students in the graduation class who graduated AND concentrated in Career and Technical Education. A student is recognized for having concentrated in Career and Technical Education if the student completes three or more credits within a career cluster or CTE program of study.

Tennessee Purple Star School Award: The Tennessee Purple Star School Award is provided to military-friendly schools who display a major commitment to serving military connected families and students. In order for a school to be honored with the Tennessee Purple Star School Award, the school must complete all of the Required School Activities and one of the Optional School Activities.



Millington Municipal Schools

(Zoned for NSA Mid-South Family Housing)



James Bo Griffin
Director of Schools
Millington Municipal Schools

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Millington, TN 38053
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<http://millingtonschools.org/>

Enrollment: 2,425

Grades Served: PK-12

Military Student Population: 7%

Achievement Grades 3-5: 37.2%

Achievement Grades 6-8: 26.5%

Achievement Grades 9-12: 24.2%

Chronically Out of School: 21.2%

Ready Graduate: 45.5%

Graduation Rate: 85.9%

Avg. ACT Composite: 18.2

CTE Concentrators: 58.3%

Military Student Population: 6%

Notable Program: NJROTC

Notable Awards: Purple Star,
TN Innovative School Model

Elementary Schools	Grades	Address	Phone	School Hours
Millington Primary Enrollment: 731 (zoned for base)	PK-3	6445 William Osteen Dr. Millington, TN 38053	(901) 873-8433	0815 -1515
Middle Schools	Grades	Address	Phone	School Hours
Millington Intermediate Enrollment: 553 (zoned for base)	4-6	4964 Cuba Millington Rd. Millington, TN 38053	(901) 873-8130	0800 -1500
High Schools	Grade	Address	Phone	School Hours
Millington Central Middle High Enrollment: 1,191 (zoned for base)	7-12	8050 West Street Millington, TN 38053	(901) 873-8100	0700 - 1400

Arlington Community Schools



Dr. Allison Clark
Superintendent
Arlington Community Schools



Contact:

5475 Airline Road
Arlington, TN 38002
Phone: 901-389-2497

Enrollment: 4,748

Grades Served: PK-12

Military Student Population: 6%

Achievement Grades 3-5: 75.5%

Achievement Grades 6-8: 60.3%

Achievement Grades 9-12: 53.6%

Chronically Out of School: 8.2%

Ready Graduate: 62.7%

Graduation Rate: 96.1%

Avg. ACT Composite: 22.3

CTE Concentrators: 60.2%

Military Student Population: 6%

Notable Programs:

STEAM Designated School

JROTC

Notable Awards: Purple Star,
Innovative School Model

Elementary Schools	Grades	Address	Phone	School Hours
Arlington Elementary Enrollment: 874	K-5	11825 Douglas St. Arlington, TN 38002	(901) 867-6000	0800 -1500
Donelson Elementary Enrollment: 810	K-5	12140 Donelson Farms Pkwy Arlington, TN 38002	(901) 389-6973	0800 -1500
Middle Schools	Grades	Address	Phone	School Hours
Arlington Middle Enrollment: 992	6-8	5470 Lamb Road Arlington, TN 38002	(901) 867-6015	0845-1545
High Schools	Grade	Address	Phone	School Hours
Arlington High Enrollment: 2,063	9-12	5475 Airline Road Arlington, TN 38002	(901) 867-1541	0700 - 1400

Bartlett City Schools



Dr. David A. Stephens
Superintendent
Bartlett City Schools

Contact:

5705 Stage Rd
Bartlett, TN 38134
Phone: 901-202-0855
Fax: 901-202-0854

<https://www.bartlettschools.org/>

Enrollment: 8,785

Grades Served: PK-12

Military Student Population: 3%

Achievement Grades 3-5: 55.2%

Achievement Grades 6-8: 48.5%

Achievement Grades 9-12: 44.9%

Chronically Out of School: 14.4%

Ready Graduate: 55.2%

Graduation Rate: 96.8%

Avg. ACT Composite: 20.1

CTE Concentrators: 66.3%

Military Student Population: 3%

Notable Program:

STEAM Honors Program

Notable Awards: Best for All District,
Innovative School Model, TN All CORPS

Elementary Schools	Grades	Address	Phone	School Hours
Altruria Elementary Enrollment: 750	K-5	6641 Deermont Dr Bartlett, TN 38134	(901) 373-2600	0800 -1500
Bartlett Elementary Enrollment: 616	PK-5	3932 Billy Maher Road Bartlett, TN 38135	(901) 373-2610	0800 -1500
Bon Lin Elementary Enrollment: 731	K-5	3940 North Germantown Rd. Bartlett, TN 38133	(901) 937-2344	0900-1600
Ellendale Elementary Enrollment: 505	K-5	6950 Dawnhill Road Bartlett, TN 38135	(901) 373-2636	0900-1600
Oak Elementary Enrollment: 671	PK-5	3575 Oak Road Bartlett, TN 38135	(901) 373-2646	0800-1500
Rivercrest Elementary Enrollment: 609 	PK-5	4825 Rivercrest Lane Bartlett, TN 38135	(901) 373-1373	0800-1500

Bartlett City Schools (continued)

Middle Schools	Grades	Address	Phone	School Hours
Appling Middle Enrollment: 584	6-8	3700 Appling Rd Bartlett, TN 38133	(901) 373-1410	0700 -1400
Bon Lin Middle Enrollment: 729	6-8	3862 N. Germantown Rd Bartlett, TN 38133	(901) 347-1520	0800 -1500
Elmore Park Middle Enrollment: 730	6-8	6330 Althorne Road Bartlett, TN 38134	(901) 373-2642	0900-1600
9th Grade	Grade	Address	Phone	School Hours
Bartlett 9th Grade Academy	9	4734 Shadowlawn Road Arlington, TN 38002	(901) 373-2654	0700 -1400
High Schools	Grade	Address	Phone	School Hours
Bartlett High School Enrollment: 2,851	10-12	5688 Woodlawn Bartlett, TN 38134	(901) 373-2620	0700 -1400

Collierville Schools



Dr. Gary Lilly
Superintendent
Collierville Schools

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Collierville, TN 38017
Phone: (901) 861-7000
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csinfo@colliervilleschools.org
<http://www.colliervilleschools.org/>

Enrollment: 9,105

Grades Served: K-12

Military Student Population: 1%

Achievement Grades 3-5: 76.4%

Achievement Grades 6-8: 62%

Achievement Grades 9-12: 53.8%

Chronically Out of School: 9.8%

Ready Graduate: 74.8%

Graduation Rate: 96.6%

Avg. ACT Composite: 23

CTE Concentrators: 39.8%

Notable Program:

Aviation Maintenance & Flight Program

Notable Awards: Innovative School

Model, Grow Your Own, TN All Corps

Elementary Schools	Grades	Address	Phone	School Hours
Bailey Station Elementary Enrollment: 823	PK-5	3435 Bailey Station Rd Collierville, TN 38017	(901) 853-6380	0900 -1600
Collierville Elementary Enrollment: 782	PK-5	590 Peterson Lake Rd. Collierville, TN 38017	(901) 853-3300	0900 -1600
Crosswind Elementary Enrollment: 701	K-5	831 Shelton Rd. Collierville, TN 38017	(901) 853-3330	0900-1600
Schilling Farms Elementary Enrollment: 553	6-8	935 Colbert St. S Collierville, TN 38017	(901) 854-2345	0800 -1500
Sycamore Elementary Enrollment: 452	K-5	1155 Sycamore Rd Collierville, TN 38017	(901) 854-8202	0900-1600
Tara Oaks Elementary Enrollment: 632	Pre-K	600 E Harpers Ferry Dr. Collierville, TN 38017	(901) 853-3337	0900-1600

Collierville Schools

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Middle Schools	Grades	Address	Phone	School Hours
Collierville Middle Enrollment: 728	6-8	580 Quinn Rd Collierville, TN 38017	(901) 853-3320	0800 - 1500
West Collierville Middle Enrollment: 773	6-8	935 S Colbert St Collierville, TN 38017	(901) 854-2345	0800 -1500
High Schools	Grade	Address	Phone	School Hours
Collierville High Enrollment: 2,836	9-12	11605 E Shelby Dr Collierville, TN 38017	(901) 853-3310	0700 -1400

Germantown Municipal Schools



Jason Manual
Superintendent
Germantown Municipal Schools

Contact:

3350 S. Forest Hill Irene Rd
Germantown, TN 38138
Phone: (901) 752-7900
Fax: (901) 757-6479
<http://www.gmsdk12.org/>

Enrollment: 5,899

Grades Served: K-12

Military Student Population: 1%

Achievement Grades 3-5: 79.1%

Achievement Grades 6-8: 63.5%

Achievement Grades 9-12: 50.8%

Chronically Out of School: 8.9%

Ready Graduate: 69.9%

Graduation Rate: 93.7%

Avg. ACT Composite: 24.5

CTE Concentrators: 58.9%

Notable Program: Aviation, Honors Academy, Fine Arts Academy, Leadership Academy

Notable Awards: Innovative School Model, TN All CORPS

Elementary Schools	Grades	Address	Phone	School Hours
Dogwood EleMentary Enrollment: 601	PK-5	8945 Dogwood Rd Germantown, TN 38139	(901) 756-2310	0845 -1545
Farmington Elementary Enrollment: 599	PK-5	2085 Cordes Rd Germantown, TN 38139	(901) 756-2320	0830 -1530
Forest Hill Elementary	PK-5	3366 Forest Hill Irene RD Germantown TN 38138	(901) 752-7900	0845-1545
Riverdale Elementary Enrollment: 1,143	PK-8	7391 Neshoba Rd Germantown, TN 38138	(901) 756-2300	0830 -1530
Middle Schools	Grades	Address	Phone	School Hours
Houston Middle Enrollment: 897	6-8	9400 Wolf River Blvd Germantown, TN 38139	(901) 756-2366	0800 -1500
High Schools	Grade	Address	Phone	School Hours
Houston High Enrollment: 1,982	9-12	9755 Wolf River Blvd Germantown, TN 38139	(901) 756-2370	0745 -1445
Virtual School	Grade	Address	Phone	School Hours
GOAL (virtual)	K-12		(901) 752-7900	0800-1500

Lakeland School System



Dr. Ted Horrell
Superintendent
Lakeland School System



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10001 Hwy 70
Lakeland, TN 38002
Phone: (901) 867-5412
admin@lakelandk12.org
<http://lakelandk12.org/>

Enrollment: 2,080

Grades Served: PK-12

Military Student Population: 5%

Achievement Grades 3-5: 73.9%

Achievement Grades 6-8: 58.3%

Achievement Grades 9-12: 54%

Chronically Out of School: 7.4%

Ready Graduate: First class graduation will be the 2025-2026 school year.

Graduation Rate: n/a

Avg. ACT Composite: n/a

CTE Concentrators: n/a

Notable Program: Named Best Community for Music Education

Notable Awards:

Innovative School Model,
Purple Star Award

Elementary Schools	Grades	Address	Phone	School Hours
Lakeland Elementary Enrollment: 986	PK-4	10050 Oak Seed Lane Lakeland, TN 38002	(901) 867-7071	0900 -1600
Middle Schools	Grades	Address	Phone	School Hours
Lakeland Preparatory Enrollment: 1,094	5-11	5020 Lions Crest Drive Lakeland, TN 38002	(901) 867-5412	0800 -1500

Students living in Lakeland are also zoned to the following schools through an inter-local agreement with **Arlington Community Schools**.

- ♦ **Arlington High School** (Grade 12)

Memphis-Shelby County Schools



Marie Feagins
Superintendent
Shelby County Schools

Contact:

160 S. Hollywood St.
Memphis, TN 38112
Phone: (901) 416-5300
<http://www.scsk12.org/>

Enrollment: 104,944

Grades Served: PK-12

Military Student Population: <10 students

Achievement Grades 3-5: 23.8%

Achievement Grades 6-8: 18.5%

Achievement Grades 9-12: 18.6%

Chronically Out of School: 28.9%

Ready Graduate: 26.2%

Graduation Rate: 80.1%

Avg. ACT Composite: 16.3

CTE Concentrators: 34.2%

Notable Program:

International Baccalaureate (IB)

Notable Awards: Innovative School

Model, Grow Your Own, Reading 360,
TN All CORPS

Memphis Shelby County Schools is Tennessee's largest school district, made up of more than 200 schools. For more detailed information please contact the Memphis-Shelby County Schools **Parent Welcome Center**.

Monday—Friday

0730-1700

(901) 416-5300

Tipton County Schools



Dr. John Combs
Director of Schools
Tipton County Schools



Contact:

1580 Hwy. 51 South
Covington, TN 38019
Phone: 901-476-7148
Fax: 901-476-4870

<http://www.tipton-county.com/>

Enrollment: 9,866

Grades Served: PK-12

Military Student Population: 4%

Achievement Grades 3-5: 43.9%

Achievement Grades 6-8: 40.1%

Achievement Grades 9-12: 35.8%

Chronically Out of School: 15.9%

Ready Graduate: 51.1%

Graduation Rate: 91.3%

Avg. ACT Composite: 20.0

CTE Concentrators: 53.4%

Notable Program:

Notable Awards: Innovative School
Models, Grow Your Own, Reading 360

Elementary Schools	Grades	Address	Phone	School Hours
Atoka Elementary Enrollment: 854	PK-5	870 Rosemark Road Atoka, TN 38004	(901) 840-9525	0745 - 1515
Austin-Peay Elementary Enrollment: 416	K-5	474 Academic Drive Covington, TN 38019	(901) 475-5121	0700 - 1600
Brighton Elementary Enrollment: 665	PK-5	1201 Old Highway 51 South Brighton, TN 38011	(901) 837-5860	0745 - 1515
Crestview Elementary Enrollment: 733	PK-5	151 Mark Walker Blvd. Covington, TN 38019	(901) 475-5925	0745 - 1515
Drummonds Elementary Enrollment: 662	PK-5	5068 Drummonds Rd Drummonds, TN 38023	(901) 837-5781	0745 - 1515
Munford Elementary Enrollment: 777	PK-5	1200 McLaughlin Drive Munford, TN 38058	(901) 837-5761	0745 - 1515

Tipton County Schools

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Magnet School	Grades	Address	Phone	School Hours
Brighton Middle School Enrollment: 815	6-8	7785 Hwy 51 South Brighton, TN 38011	(901) 837-5600	
Crestview Middle Enrollment: 564	6-8	201 Mark Walker, Jr. Dr Covington, TN 38019	(901) 475-5900	0745 - 1445
Munford Middle Enrollment: 914	6-8	100 Education Ave Munford, TN 38058	(901) 837-1700	0745 - 1445
High Schools	Grade	Address	Phone	School Hours
Brighton High Enrollment: 1,142	9-12	8045 Highway 51 South Brighton, TN 38011	(901) 837-5800	0730 - 1435
Covington High Enrollment: 706	9-12	803 South College Street Covington, TN 38019	(901) 475-5853	0745 - 1445
Munford High Enrollment: 1,1695	9-12	1080 McLaughlin Dr Munford, TN 38058	(901) 837-5701	0745 - 1445



DISCLAIMER

THE INFORMATION CONTAINED ON THE FOLLOWING PAGES IS INTENDED TO PROVIDE MILITARY PARENTS WITH A GENERAL KNOWLEDGE OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN SHELBY COUNTY, TIPTON COUNTY AND THE SURROUNDING AREAS.

THIS INFORMATION IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE. PARENTS AND GUARDIANS ARE ADVISED TO MAKE DIRECT CONTACT WITH LOCAL SCHOOL OFFICIALS OR REFER TO STATE AND LOCAL WEBSITES BEFORE MAKING OR FINALIZING EDUCATIONAL CHOICES FOR THEIR CHILDREN.

LOCAL EDUCATION HANDBOOK



The Education Handbook has been prepared as an immediate and centralized resource for information about schools serving military and federally-connected children living on or near Naval Support Activity Mid-South. While education needs may vary from family to family, this handbook is intended to answer most general questions about public schools in Shelby and Tipton County.

The schools in the local area work closely with Naval Support Activity Mid-South to offer quality educational services to children in the military community.

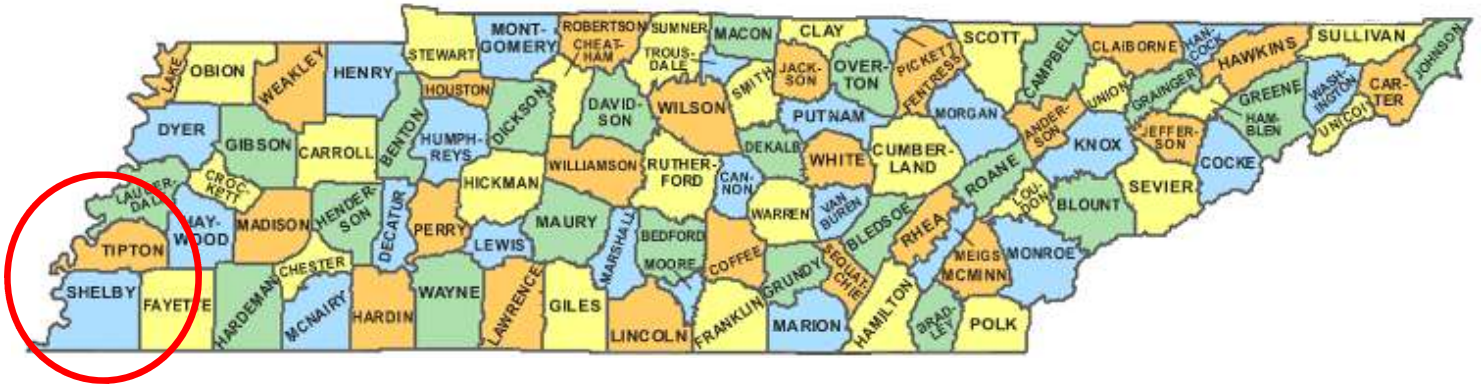
Questions about specific programs available at individual schools are best answered by the school administrators and office staff of that school. However, should you find that the information provided in the handbook or by school officials does not address your family's needs, please do not hesitate to contact your School Liaison for assistance.

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General Information

County Map



Welcome to Naval Support Activity Mid-South

A part of the Navy Region Southeast and the Navy Installations Command, NSA Mid-South serves as the Navy's Human Resources Center of Excellence. Headquartered onboard NSA Mid-South are Navy Personnel Command, Navy Recruiting Command, the Navy Manpower Analysis Center, as well as the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Finance Center. More than 8,000 military, civilian, and contract personnel are assigned/work on base.

NSA Mid-South, located in Millington, Tennessee, just north of Memphis, serves as the Navy's Human Resources Center of Excellence. We are continuing our goal to become the Navy's premiere support installation by striving to maintain excellence in our facilities and services. The efforts and accomplishments of the NSA Mid-South team have been recognized and rewarded the past several years by repeatedly earning both the Governor of Tennessee's Quality Commitment Award and the Greater Memphis Association for Quality Leadership Award.

The School Liaison is available to assist families from all branches of service living within a one-hour driving radius of the installation.



School Choice



When it comes to a child's education, perhaps nothing causes parents more anxiety than having to choose the *right* school. For military parents, this decision is further complicated by having to choose schools which may be in other parts of the United States or in a different country all together.

In either case, parents have a responsibility to research schools in a given area to determine if the schools can meet the needs of both the family and/or the child. When choosing a school, parents must consider several factors, including but not limited to, the following:

- ♦ price (if private schools are preferred)
- ♦ location
- ♦ school size
- ♦ class size
- ♦ academic rating (vary from state to state)
- ♦ level of discipline
- ♦ extra-curricular activities
- ♦ special needs of child
- ♦ parental involvement
- ♦ schools reputation
- ♦ facilities

The biggest challenge faced by parents is deciding which of these factors are most important and which ones will be important in the life of the child and family. In the end, parents act as the first and primary advocates for their children and their children's education. Therefore, it is important for military parents to take the time to find out all the can about schools at their duty station.

Information about the performance of schools in Shelby and Tipton County can be found at the Tennessee Department of Education website:

<https://www.tn.gov/education/>.

Parents should feel free to contact the local school administrators to address any specific questions or concerns they may have about the information provided in the school's report. **The School Liaison is available to answer general education questions and to offer assistance but is not at liberty to recommend the "best" school for any child or family.** Choosing a school or academic program for a family or child remains the responsibility of the military parent and/or guardian.



Transfer and Admission Procedures

Military families moving to Tennessee and planning to enroll children in local public schools should contact the office of the superintendent where they will be living to determine what registration and/or transfer requirements have been established. Registration is typically held in the spring, with additional registration dates prior to the start of school. Registration policies vary from district to district.

Following Interstate Compact guidelines, Tennessee allows local school districts to accept unofficial records from military families for registration purposes. Local schools may enroll and place students in classes based on the information contained in the unofficial records pending validation by the official records from the sending school. If possible, it is a good idea to request that student's academic and discipline records be forwarded to the student's new school at the time the student officially withdraws from the previous or sending school.

Although schools are closed during the summer, there are typically office staff and administrators available to answer questions regarding registration and/or enrollment. Contacting the School Liaison prior to the move may offer some assistance especially where students with special needs are concerned.

Attendance Policies

State law grants local boards of education the authority to establish attendance policies. Those policies must be developed with the following guidelines:

- (1) Attendance policies shall be firm but fair so that each student has a reasonable opportunity to meet the minimum requirements;
- (2) Effective accounting and reporting procedures shall be developed to keep parents or guardians informed of a student's absence from class;
- (3) Policies shall accommodate extenuating circumstances created by emergencies over which the student has no control;
- (4) Appeal procedures shall be included to assure the student's right of due process; and
- (5) Alternative programs shall be established to provide educational options for any student who severely fails to meet minimum attendance requirements.

Under newly adopted legislation, military students MAY be granted additional absences if a parent or legal guardian is an active duty military member and has been called to duty for, is on leave from, or has immediately returned from a combat zone or combat support posting. These additional absences, IF granted, are intended to allow the student to visit with his or her parent or legal guardian as a result of the leave of deployment. Parents should seek guidance from their respective school administrators to determine eligibility for these additional absences.

For details regarding a district's individual attendance policy parents should contact their local school district.

Immunization Requirements

Tennessee Requires the following immunizations:

Children enrolling in Kindergarten:

- Hepatitis B (HBV)
- Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis (DTaP, or DT if appropriate)
- Poliomyelitis (IPV or OPV) - final dose on or after the 4th birthday
- Measles, Mumps, Rubella - 2 doses of each, usually given together as MMR
- Varicella - 2 doses or credible history of disease
- Hepatitis A - total of 2 doses, spaced at least 6 - 18 months apart

All children entering 7th grade (including currently enrolled students)

- Tetanus-diphtheria-pertussis booster (Tdap) - evidence of one Tdap dose given any time before 7th grade entry is required regardless of Td history
- Varicella - 2 doses or credible history of disease

Children who are new enrollees in a TN school in grades *other* than Kindergarten:

- Hepatitis B (HBV)
- Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis (DTaP, or DT if appropriate)
- Poliomyelitis (IPV or OPV - final dose on or after the 4th birthday
- Measles, Mumps, Rubella - 2 doses of each, normally given together as MMR
- Varicella - 2 doses or credible history of disease
- New students entering grades other than 7th grade are not required to have Tdap

For guidance regarding children with medical or religious exemption to requirements, please visit:

<https://www.tn.gov/health/cedep/immunization-program/ip/immunization-requirements/childcare-12th-grade-immunization-requirements.html>

PLEASE REMEMBER!

Required immunizations must be documented on the Official TN Immunization Certificate . Military families may hand deliver immunization records to the Branch Medical clinic, whose personnel will transfer the records onto the necessary Tennessee form. These forms must be signed by a Tennessee physician and are best completed after arrival. For more detailed information contact the Immunizations Department at the Branch Medical Clinic by calling (901) 874-6129.

Special Education Services

Local schools make every effort to accommodate students with special needs. Parents of these children should ensure that the necessary documentation is available upon arrival—copies of current IEPs, 504 Plan documents, assessments, etc. These documents may be presented to school officials at the time of enrollment.

Legislation in most cases, will allow students to continue services documented on an IEP or other official special education document until the local education agency or school can conduct it's own evaluation to confirm placement and the necessity for continued services. Schools may accept copies of important special needs documents until the official documents can be forwarded from the previous school.

Families with special needs considerations may wish to contact the School Liaison or the local school to assist them with accessing the continuity of care needed to support the learning of children with special needs. Active duty service members should contact the **Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) at (901) 874-5075**. The EFMP office is located at the Fleet and Family Support Center, Community Services Bldg. 456.

Opportunities to participate in extracurricular activities are available to students in elementary, middle and high school. The types and number of programs available vary from school to school. Depending on the age of the students being served, schools may offer programs either during or after school. Information about these programs, registration deadlines and eligibility requirements will be sent home with students at the appropriate times throughout the school year.

Secondary students wishing to continue participation in sporting or club activities that require audition or try outs are advised to contact the school prior to their arrival to schedule times to meet with program directors. Athletes may consider making game tapes or other records of accomplishments available to the Athletic Director or sports coach for preliminary review. Upon arrival, there MAY be opportunity to make an appointment for try outs or audition to gain a place



Tennessee is a member of the Interstate Compact which states that “local school systems will facilitate the opportunity for transitioning military students to be included in extracurricular activities, regardless of deadlines, to the extent they are ‘otherwise qualified.’” While this is a great opportunity for our military community, students and their families must be diligent about making their desire for participation known. Schools are NOT required to hold a place for military children. Therefore, early contact may facilitate a student’s eligibility for participation.

Transportation



The Transportation Departments of schools located in Shelby and Tipton County seek to provide students with bus services that are safe, dependable, professional, and cost effective. Millington Municipal Schools offers transportation, through Durham School Services, to students living on-base and has designated bus stops throughout base housing. There is also a bus stop located at the NSAMS Youth Center, which provides before and after school care for students, and an afternoon bus stop at the Teen Center.

Riding the local public school bus is a privilege and all students are expected to obey bus rules regarding student behavior. Failure to do so could result in bus incidence reports being made to local school administrators and possible suspension. The rules that govern the buses are designed to promote safety for all students. The rules help to minimize distractions and obstructions for the driver and alleviate situations that could be potentially dangerous.

Bus riders are asked to arrive at designated bus stop locations no later than 20 minutes before the scheduled pick-up time. Students' early arrival helps ensure that the busses can run in a timely and orderly manner.

Parents are reminded that the center aisle of the bus and the emergency exits must remain clear at ALL times. Therefore, the following items should not be brought onto the bus:

- Science fair boards
- Large athletic equipment
- Large band instruments
- Glass
- Animals and insects (alive or dead)

Students may bring other items on the bus that fit in their laps and will not obstruct any emergency exits. For more information about transportation related issues, please contact your schools Transportation Department.

For information regarding your child's bus stop/route, please contact your school directly.

Standardized Testing

TN Ready is a part of the **Tennessee Comprehensive Assessment Program (TCAP)**: Students' skills and academic progress are measured by a set of statewide assessments called the TCAP. TCAP measures how well students have learned the knowledge and skills outlined in the state-adopted content standards in language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies. The results of these assessments are reported to parents, teachers and administrators and can be found on the TCAP Results page or the annual Report Card, released each fall.

REQUIRED TESTING

- ◆ **TCAP for Grades 3-8**
- ◆ **TCAP End-of-Course Assessments - High School**
- ◆ **Multi-State Alternate Assessment (MSAA)** - English language arts and math for students in grades 3-8 and grade 11 with significant cognitive disabilities.
- ◆ **TCAP-Alt** - Assessment for science and social studies for students with the significant cognitive disabilities.
- ◆ **ACCESS For English Learners** - Assessment of ELLs to determine language proficiency.
- ◆ **ACT and SAT** - Students in Tennessee are required to take a college entrance exam (either the ACT or SAT) in the eleventh grade. This is now a graduation requirement for student seeking a regular or honors diploma. Districts in Tennessee contract with ACT to provide an opportunity to take the ACT at their own school during the school day at no cost to the student.
- ◆ **National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)** - The largest nationally representative and continuing assessment of what America's students know and can do in various subject areas. Only a small sample of Tennessee fourth, eighth and twelfth graders will take this test. These groups are chosen by NAEP each year.

When possible, parents of students scheduled for state testing are advised to complete testing in the sending state before moving to a new duty station. This affords students greater opportunity for success and provides the receiving faculty the most current information about a student's level of performance.

Military parents considering relocation to a new school district should know the standardized testing dates for each district and strategically plan relocations accordingly. Typically, students enrolled in a public school at the time of testing are required to take the state's standardized tests.

For additional information regarding Standardized testing in the state of Tennessee, please visit:

<https://www.tn.gov/education/assessment.html>

Youth Sponsorship Program

The NSA Mid-South Youth Sponsorship Program is available to elementary, middle and high school students relocating to the Mid-South. Sponsorship allows military youth and teens a chance to “meet” other military youth who are nearly the same age, possibly attend the same school or share like interests.

Trained and enthusiastic Youth Sponsorship Program Ambassadors work to welcome youth and teens to NSAMS and to make them feel “at home” long before they arrive. By hosting “Welcome Aboard” activities, offering school tours, and providing information about local activities, the Sponsorship Program connects military youth with others who understand the feelings and anxieties that often accompany military moves.

Moving can be hard, We CAN help!

INTERESTED?

WANT TO KNOW MORE?

**See the attached Youth
Sponsorship Form!**



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<https://www.facebook.com/navymwrmaidsouth/>





Youth Sponsor Request



Name	First		Last		Age	
Current Grade (If summer, the last grade completed)		Gender	Male	Female	E-mail Address	Youth: Parents:
Street Address	House/Apartment Number	Street		City	State	Zip Code

Name of parent or guardian on military orders to new community	First	Last
Arrival date in new community		

Requestor's Hobbies & Interests (To be filled out by requestor)			
Sports	Music	Clubs/Programs	Other Hobbies & Interests
Baseball	Alternative Rock	4-H Club name:	Animals
Basketball	Emo		Cars
Bowling	Choir	Army Teen Panel	Computers
Cheerleading	Classic Rock	Boy Scouts	Cooking
Football	Composing Music	Career Launch	Dancing
Frisbee	Country	Chapel Youth Group	DJ-ing
Golf	Electronica	Dragonfly Quest	Drama
Gymnastics	Gospel	Environmental	Filmmaking
Hiking	Goth	FBLA	Fitness
Hockey	Metal	Geocaching	Movies
Horseback Riding	Hip Hop/Rap	Goals for Graduation	The Outdoors
Judo	Indie Rock	Girl Scouts	Painting
Karate	Industrial	JROTC	Photography
Kung Fu	Pop/Top 40	Junior Honor Society	Reading
Running	Punk	Keystone Club	Science
Soccer	R&B/Soul	Model UN	Scrapbooking
Soft Ball	Reggae	Passport to Manhood	Sightseeing
Swimming	Singing/Vocals	SMART Girls	Skateboarding
Tae Kwon Do	Ska	Sports Club	Technology
Tennis	Techno/Dance	Teen Tech Team	Video Games
Volley Ball	Writing Lyrics	Torch Club	Weblogging
Walking	Other:	Youth Advisory Cnsl.	Weights
Wrestling	I play this instrument:	Youth Ldrshp. Forum	Writing
Other:		Other:	Other:

Please include any additional information that might be helpful to the sponsorship staff in the assignment process as they attempt to pair you with a sponsor whom you will be most compatible with.

I hereby give my consent to the release my child's name and address for the purpose of participating in the Youth Sponsorship Program. I understand that this program is not an official government record and that this information will not be used for any other purpose.

Parents/Guardians signature: _____ Date: _____

Email Youth Sponsorship Request Forms to the NSA Mid-South School Liaison at: midsouthsl@us.navy.mil

Tennessee High School Graduation

The Tennessee Department of Education has raised standards and aligned graduation requirements to best prepare students for college and the workforce.

Following the implementation of the Tennessee Diploma Project in 2009, high school students must complete 22 credits to graduate. They also will be tested in core subject areas with End of Course exams, part of the Tennessee Comprehensive Assessment Program, or TCAP. Their performance on these exams will factor into their semester grade for the course.



To receive a regular high school diploma, all students enrolled in a Tennessee public school during their eleventh (11th) grade year must take either the ACT or SAT.

Total Required Credits: 22

- ♦ **Math:** 4 credits, including Algebra I, II, Geometry and a fourth higher level math course (Students must be enrolled in a mathematics course each school year.)
- ♦ **English:** 4 credits
- ♦ **Science:** 3 credits, including Biology, Chemistry or Physics, and a third lab course
- ♦ **Social Studies:** 3 credits, including U.S. History and Geography, World History and Geography, U.S. Government and Civics, and Economics
- ♦ **Physical Education and Wellness:** 1.5 credits
- ♦ **Personal Finance:** 0.5 credits (Three years of JROTC may be substituted for one-half unit of Personal Finance if the JROTC instructor attends the Personal Finance training.)
- ♦ **Foreign Language:** 2 credits (May be waived by the local school district for students, under certain circumstances, to expand and enhance the elective focus)
- ♦ **Fine Arts:** 1 credit (may be waived by the local school district for students, under certain circumstances, to expand and enhance the elective focus)
- ♦ **Elective Focus:** 3 credits consisting of Math and Science, Career and Technical Education, Fine Arts, Humanities, Advanced Placement (AP) or International Baccalaureate (IB)

See more at: <https://www.tn.gov/education/families/graduation-requirements.html>

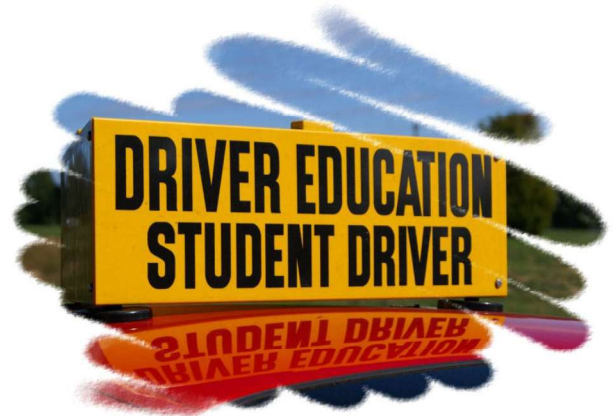
Tennessee Driver's Education Requirements

To enroll in a Driver's Ed course, you must:

- Be at least 15 years old.
- Already have your Tennessee learner's permit.

To get your learner's permit, you must:

- Be at least 15 years old.
- Pass a vision test.
- Pass the driver's license written exam.
- Have your parent or guardian sign your application.
- Prove you are currently enrolled in school. This letter must be signed and dated by the principal or guidance counselor no more than 30 days prior to your Tennessee application.
- Prove your identity and TN residency.



Although driver's education is not usually required, if you get 2 moving violations while on your restricted driver's license, **you MUST complete Driver's Ed before you can graduate to an unrestricted TN driver's license.** Driver's Ed courses are offered at TN public schools. Approved third-party driving schools, which may offer courses of different lengths and formats, including online driver's education are also available. Costs for these courses vary, so check with a local school for specific information.

Classroom or online Driver's Ed instruction typically covers the information and theories that are essential to safe driving.

- TN driving laws, violations, and penalties.
- Ways to avoid distracted driving.
- Safe vehicle operation.
- Driving in emergencies and hazardous conditions.
- The effects of alcohol on driving.
- Behind-the-Wheel Instruction
- Behind-the-wheel instruction is practical driving instruction in a car with dual controls.
- The instructor will teach you skills and techniques to use in the operation of a vehicle, building your skills and confidence as a safe driver.
- Types of Driver's Ed Courses

If completing the course through a third-party provider, make sure they have been certified by the TN Department of Safety.

Driver's Education (continued)

After Driver's Ed – Getting Your TN License

Taking Driver's Ed is a great way to acquire the skills you need to get your first Tennessee driver's license.

To get your intermediate license, you must:

- Be at least 16 years old
- Have held your learner's permit for at least 180 days
- Complete 50 hours of supervised behind-the-wheel experience, including 10 hours at night, verified with the Certification of 50 Hours of Behind the Wheel Driving Experience (Form SF-1256)
- Pass a driving test, also called a road skills test
- Provide all required documentation
- A vision screening will be required only if you are exchanging a learner permit or license from another state.



In-State Tuition

For periods of enrollment that begin after July 1, 2009, members of the armed forces (Army, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard) on active duty for a period of more than 30 days and his or her spouse, or his or her dependent children, will be eligible to receive in-state tuition at public college and university in the state where they reside or are permanently stationed. Once a service member or their family members are enrolled, and paying in-state tuition, they will continue to pay the in-state tuition at the institution, even if the service member is reassigned outside the state. This change, signed into law August 14, 2008, is included in section 135 of the Higher Education Opportunity Act of 1965 (HEA).

The Department of Education has worked to ensure that all institutions are aware of and appropriately implement this program. However, should service members or family members experience any difficulties in gaining access to this program they should contact the Office of Education Ombudsman's office at [1-877-557-2575](tel:1-877-557-2575). Questions regarding this program and its implementation can be answered there.

Additionally, High School Seniors may apply for the **Tennessee Promise scholarship**, which will provide two years of tuition-free attendance at a community or technical college in Tennessee. Information about the Tennessee Promise scholarship is available at <http://tnpromise.gov/>.

Active duty members and spouses requiring information about postsecondary choices are advised to utilize the **Navy College Program** by going online to: <http://www.navycollege.navy.mil/>



Homeschool Information

Parents in Tennessee may choose to home school their own children in grades K - 12. The Tennessee Home School law (Tennessee Code Annotated § 49-6-3050) states: "A home school is a school conducted or directed by a parent or parents or a legal guardian or guardians for their own children." Parents desiring to home school their own children may do so by choosing one of the following three options.

Independent Home School:

Parents choosing this educational option should begin by contacting the local school district. The parent will be required to complete an Intent to Home School form and provide evidence of a high school diploma or GED. Student attendance (at least 4 hours per day, 180 days per year) must be reported to the local school district at the end of the school year. Proof of vaccination and receipt of any health services or examinations, as required by law, must also be submitted. Testing of independent home school students is required in grades 5, 7, and 9 and coordinated through the local school district.

Church-related Umbrella School:

Parents may also home school their own children by registering with a church-related "umbrella" school defined by Tennessee Code Annotated § 49-50-801. Parents who choose this option will be required to provide evidence to the local school district that their child is enrolled in a church-related school. An Intent to Home School form is not required for students who enrolled in a church-related school. The church-related school will determine record keeping and test requirements for students enrolled in an umbrella program.

Accredited Online School:

Parents may also enroll their child in an accredited online school. Parents choosing this educational option must be sure to determine that the school has legitimate accreditation status and will be required to provide evidence to the local school district that their child is enrolled in an accredited online school. To be an acceptable online school for students who reside in Tennessee, the school must be accredited by one of regional accrediting agencies.

For a list of accrediting agencies and curriculum resources please visit:

<https://www.tn.gov/education/school-options/home-schooling-in-tn.html>

For Additional Support: Parents looking for homeschooling legal resource can contact the Home Schooling Legal Defense Association at www.hslda.org.

For Additional Questions: Email Home.School@tn.gov.

Private and Parochial Schools Information

Many parents and guardians select private or parochial schools for their children. The quantity and quality of these schools varies. To aid in the selection of a private school, parents may wish to visit a site such as www.privateschoolreview.com which allows parents to identify private schools in a desired geographical area. Please contact the School Liaison regarding private and parochial schools in the Mid-South area.

Base Support Organizations

Child and Youth Programs

www.militarychildcare.com

Child Development Center

Building S-780

Phone: (901) 874-5745

Youth Center

Phone: (901) 874-5155

Teen Center

Phone: (901) 874-5494

Base Chapel

Building S-777

Phone: (901) 874-5341

Branch Medical Clinic

Building S-771

Phone: (901) 874-6100

Exceptional Family Member Program

Fleet and Family Support Center

Building S-456, 3rd Deck

Phone: (901) 874-5075

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Building S - 456, 3rd Deck

Phone: (901) 874-5075

Immunizations

Building S-771

Phone: (901) 874-6129

Medical EFMP for Overseas Clearance

Building S-771

Phone: (901) 874-6100

Mid-South Family Housing

Phone: (901) 677-0800

Website: <http://www.midsouthfamilyhousing.com/>

Morale, Recreation and Welfare

Building S - 455

(901) 874-5576

www.navymwr.midsouth.com

Navy Housing

Building S-456

Phone: (901) 874-5547

Community Services Building

Building S - 456

ID Cards: (901) 874-6419

Customer Service: (901) 874-5955

Frequently Asked Questions

What is a School Liaison and how can they help me?

School Liaison (SL) help by providing you with educational information on your new area (based on residence) and can also connect you with a SL at your next duty station. SLs also offer resources on deployment support, are the liaison between command, schools and military families, work with commands and schools on the Partnership in Education program, can help families navigate the special needs programs in districts, and offer information and support for Home School and Post-Secondary preparation.

How do I choose a school?

We know the importance of choosing a school that best meets the needs of your military child(ren). Even though we are unable to make direct recommendations for schools, we are available to help you acquire information and research the schools in the NSA Mid-South area. We can provide overall information on districts as well as help you determine what schools you might be mapped to once you have a residence.

What are the health and immunization requirements?

Immunization and health checkup fact sheet for the Tennessee Dept of Education can be found at: <http://tn.gov/health/article/childcare-12th-grade-immunization-requirements>. Once you determine where you will live and what school your child will attend, you should also check with your school to be sure there are no additional district requirements.

What are the School Registration procedures?

This depends on what school district you are looking to enroll your child in. We recommend that once you establish residence, that you contact the school directly.

What do I do if I'm on a housing wait-list or am in temporary housing?

Most military housing areas and school districts within school boundaries of military housing are familiar with this situation. We recommend that you ask your local housing office for a letter that indicates that you are on the waitlist. Most times this is all the schools need to proceed with registration. If you have questions or issues, please contact your SL.

What options are there for before and after school care?

We recommend that you start looking for care early! As soon as you arrive and have registered your child in school, begin by asking your school or district what they offer. This is many times the best option, particularly if they offer on-site care. If they don't, many times the school will know what is available close to the school or in your community. If you are still having difficulty, contact your School Liaison and they will work with you to try to find other options. Also, if you are living on base the Child and Youth Programs offer before and after school child care services.

What is the Interstate Compact and what can it do for my family?

The Interstate Compact seeks to make transition easier for the children of military families so that they are afforded the same opportunities for educational success as other children and are not penalized or delayed in achieving their educational goals. More information can be found at: www.mic3.net.

What do I do if I'm moving with a child with special needs?

In the Navy, your School Liaison can help you with the special needs navigation of the school or district that you are planning to send your child(ren) to. You should also contact the Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) to ensure that you are enrolled and that you have all information and resources that they offer.

Can School Liaison advocate in an IEP for my child?

The Navy School Liaisons are not able to advocate on your behalf. In our program, we offer information, resources and help you find the right people to talk to at the school or district. If you ever have issues with your IEP or school, please call your School Liaison since we also have many community resources that can offer guidance and direct assistance.

Can I enroll my student in a School District other than the one we are zoned for?

Students enrolling in public school attend their zoned school unless they have received approval for a Transfer Request. Transfer Requests must be submitted during the school's Open Enrollment period, which is typically 30 days. Transfer Requests are approved based on space availability by grade level. Transfer Requests are not accepted outside of the Open Enrollment window, with the exception of Shelby County Schools.

Online Resources

Tennessee Department of Education	http://tn.gov/education/
Military OneSource	www.militaryonesource.mil
Trevor Romain—Anchored4Life	http://anchored4life.com/
Military Child Education Coalition	www.militarychild.org
Transition Information	www.militaryk12partners.dodea.edu
Military Kids Connect (Great for teens!)	http://militarykidsconnect.dcoe.mil
Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission	www.mic3.net
Military Installations	www.militaryinstallations.dod.mil
Military Impacted Schools Association	www.militaryimpactedschoolsassociation.org
SchoolQuest	www.schoolquest.org
Tutor.com	www.tutor.com/military
Navy MWR	www.NavyMWR.org
Home Schooling Legal Defense Association	www.hsllda.org
Private School Review	www.privateschoolreview.com
Navy College Program	www.navycollege.navy.mil
DirectSTEP	www.navycyp.ds.lrp.com
LD Online	www.ldonline.org
Center for Parent Information & Resources	www.parentcenterhub.org
DODEA	www.dodea.edu
DODEA NDSP	www.dodea.edu/nonDoD
My Navy Portal (MyPCS)	https://my.navy.mil/

School Registration

Guidance



The following is general guidance for registering your child for school. For specific school information please contact your District Office. The following documentation is needed to register your child for school.

TWO *proofs of residence*. The following items are approved for proof of residence:

- Valid driver's license or state-issued ID
- Current Memphis Light, Gas and Water (MLGW) bill
- Lease/rental agreement
- Public assistance/government benefits form
- Real estate tax receipt
- Municipal water bill
- Mortgage statement or deed

In addition, **ALL** of the following:

- Certified Birth Certificate (mother's copy will not be accepted) age 5 on or before August 15, 2023
- Child's social security card
- Proof of current physical and immunization record on the Tennessee School Form



FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR NSA MID-SOUTH SCHOOL LIAISON AT (901) 628-5335 OR EMAIL AT MIDSOUTHSL@US.NAVY.MIL