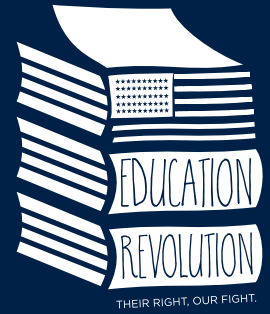


PCS CHECKLIST

Moving is never easy, but as you countdown the days to your next PCS move, use this checklist to make sure your military-connected student's transition is as seamless as possible.



When you receive PCS orders

- RESEARCH THE NEW SCHOOL'S CURRICULUM:**
Find out what the new school is teaching and compare that to what your child is learning now to determine potential educational gaps.
- KEEP TRACK OF IMPORTANT DATES:**
Plan ahead by looking up the new school's calendar, summer schedule, and extra-curricular deadlines to make sure you don't miss any important cutoff dates.
- KNOW YOUR STATE'S HOMESCHOOL LAWS:**
Each state will have different requirements and policies for homeschooled students. Research the law in your new state to get ahead of the game.

2-4 weeks before your PCS move

- REQUEST ALL OFFICIAL SCHOOL RECORDS:**
Like report cards, test results, school-work samples, special education documents, gifted and talented plans, immunization records, contact information for previous teachers and coaches, etc.
- REVIEW THE INTERSTATE COMPACT:**
Brush up on the Interstate Compact and how it protects and aids your military kid's school transition. The compact specifically addresses issues you may face, such as enrollment, attendance, eligibility, placement, and graduation requirements.

Upon arrival

- REGISTER YOUR CHILD:**
Make sure you provide the school with your PCS orders, as well as a copy of your child's school records, until the new school is able to request them.
- MEET THE TEAM:**
If possible, try to schedule an appointment with your child's new teacher, guidance counselor, or other specialist involved in your child's education.
- KNOW YOUR LOCAL RESOURCES:**
In the event you run into any transition issues regarding your child's education, it's helpful to know who to contact. School Liaison Officers (SLO) can be a fantastic way to help gain the knowledge and resources you'll need to help your child adjust to their new school environment.



Find more resources at
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