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BATTALION CENTER**

MISSISSIPPI GULF COAST
School Guide

Welcome!

On behalf of the Naval Construction Battalion Center, I welcome you to the beautiful Gulf Coast of Mississippi. The School Liaison Officer serves as the primary liaison between community schools, commanders, and military parents.

The School Liaison has **seven** core functions:

- School Transition Services/Permanent Change of Station (PCS) Cycle Support
- Deployment Support
- Special Education System Navigation
- Installation, School, and Community Communications
- Partnerships in Education
- Homeschool Linkage
- Postsecondary Preparation

School Guide:

This guide contains valuable information on our local public schools, private/parochial schools, and home schools. As your NCBC School Liaison, I remain neutral and strongly support all of our school districts. The data and information provided comes from web pages listed in this guide and is available to the public. There are approximately 3500 DOD children attending school along the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

School Liaison:

gulfportsl@us.navy.mil

MWR Building 352
1706 Bainbridge Avenue
Gulfport, MS 39501
Hours: 0730-1530
Office: 228-871-2117
Cell: 228-323-6105
Fax: 228-871-2967

www.militarychildcare.com
www.navymwrgulfport.com
www.cnic.navy.mil/GULFPORT/
www.ncbcgulfporthomes.com

Resource Webpages:

www.mde.k12.ms.us www.greatschools.com www.militaryonesource.com
www.schoolmatters.com www.schooldiggers.com www.ed.gov
www.militarychild.org www.schoolquest.com www.dodea.edu
www.publicschoolreview.com www.militaryinstallations.dod.mil/

If you are going overseas and your children will be attending a Non-DODEA private school please open this website for further directions: <http://www.dodea.edu/nonDoD/>

MS Age Requirements:

Students entering Kindergarten must be 5 on or before Sept 1.

Students entering first grade must be 6 on or before Sept 1.

*Kindergarten is not a mandatory requirement in Mississippi.

Pre-K:

Some of the Gulf Coast school districts offer limited pre-k classes funded privately or by parent fees. Please check with the district where you are zoned for more information. You can also call United Way at 896-2213 ext. 7112. www.prek4ward.org

Registration Requirements for New Students:

- Mississippi Certificate of Immunization form 121 (NCBC Medical Clinic, KAFB Med CTR, Health Dept, etc.)
- Certified copy of birth certificate (not a hospital certificate)
- Student's Social Security Number
- Verification of Residency (must provide 2 forms of proper documentation: utility bills, driver's license listing present address, automobile registration, filed Homestead Exemption application form, mortgage documents or property deed, apartment or home lease, housing assignment form, letter from housing director verifying residency-NCBC, etc.)
- Report cards and/or other records of grade placement
- IEP documents if special services required
- GUARDIANSHIP: Legal guardian must provide a copy of the most recent court order, signed by a judge, appointing them as legal guardian.

State Legislation or Policy

- MS HB 1341 (2024)- School Choice for all active military dependents (on and off base) and all military civilian employees, residing on base. Parents are responsible for providing transportation when the child attends a school outside of the zoned area. Schools can deny enrollment only if the school is at capacity in the child's grade level. Once a child is enrolled, they do not have to requalify in the upcoming years. Only one School of Choice transfer is allowed per year.
- MS HB 809 (2025)- Clarifying language for MS HB 1341 School of Choice. This HB includes School of Choice for Reservist and Guard who are on active duty 180 days or more.

Mississippi House Bill 1341: Children of Military Personnel

MS HB 1341 allows children of active-duty military service members, both on and off base, their choice of school and district. In addition, the bill allows this same choice for "civilian military families" residing on base.

- Active military have school district/school choice on & off base
- Civilian military who live on base have school district/school choice
- Parent/guardian must provide transportation
- Military student allowed one transfer per academic year
- Military student not required to reapply annually for admission for continued enrollment
- School board can deny request based on "lack of capacity"

Senate Bill 2050:

Effective 1 July 2019 An act to require school districts to accept an application for enrollment and course registration by electronic means for any pupil whose parent is transferred to, or is pending transfer to, a military installation within this state while on active military duty pursuant to an official military order; and for related purposes.

Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children:

In 2009, the Military Interstate Compact was signed into Mississippi law. The compact provides for uniform treatment of military children transferring between school districts and states. The Compact has specific articles that deal with: enrollment, immunizations, placement, graduation, and many other areas of importance. Please familiarize yourself with the Interstate Compact at www.mic3.net

Special Education:

Special Education (SPED) is a complex and sometimes emotional subject. Communication is the key when dealing with school districts and SPED. I recommend to our parents to become familiar with federal and state law.

Federal law information can be found at <http://www.2.ed.gov/policy/speded/guid/ided/idea2004.html>. or www.wrightslaw.com. MS state law can be found at www.mde.k12.ms.us/specialeducation.html. or www.mde.k12.ms.us/special-education/special-education-policies-and-procedures. Information ranging from initial evaluations to mediation can be found here. If you have a special needs child and are attempting to register at a school, please remember to ask for the Local Survey Chairperson (LSC). This faculty member will help you with special services.

ESA-The Equal Opportunity for Students with Special Needs Act enacted by the Mississippi Legislature during the 2015 Session created the Education Scholarship Account (ESA) program (Senate Bill No. 2695). It is a program designed to give those parents with special needs children the option of withdrawing their child from the public school system and receiving a designated amount of funds to help defray the cost of private school tuition or other specific allowable activities to educate their child. The administration of this program has been designated to be performed by the Mississippi Department of Education (MDE). For more information, and to apply go to www.mde.k12.ms.us/ose/esa.

Letter Grades (Performance)

A: 90-100

B: 80-89

C: 70-79

D: 64-69

F: 63 and below

Letter grades are based on a point system using three different scales. For more information go to <http://reports.mse.k12.ms.us/report2016.aspx>

MDE releases school, district performance labels for 2015-2016. 2016 Accountability Report-Final

PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Bay St. Louis School District | (228) 467-6621

<http://www.bwsd.org/Index.html>

District Office: 201 Carroll Avenue Bay St. Louis, MS 39520

Elementary Schools

Waveland Elem. (K-2)

North Bay Elem. (3-5)

Address

1101 St. Joseph Street, 39576

602 Pine Street, 39520

Phone

467-6630

467-4052

Middle School

Bay-Waveland Middle sch (6-8)

602 Pine Street, 39520

463-0315

High School

Bay High School

Crossroads Learning Center

750 Blue Meadow Road, 39520

750 Blue Meadow Road, 39520

467-6611

467-4536

Biloxi School District | (228) 374-1810

<http://www.biloxischools.net>

District Office: 160 St. Peter Ave. Biloxi, MS 39530

Elementary Schools

Gorenflo Elem.

Back Bay Elem.

North Bay Elem.

Popp's Ferry Elem.

Biloxi Upper

Address

771 Elder Street, 39530

340 St. Mary Blvd., 39531

1825 Popp's Ferry Road, 39532

364 Nelson Road, 39530

1424 Father Ryan Ave., 39530

Phone

436-5145

436-5110

435-6166

436-5135

435-1421

Junior High School

Biloxi Jr. HS (7-8).

1921 Tribe Drive, 39532

423-3700

High Schools

Biloxi Sr. HS (9-12)

Lopez Alternative School

1845 Tribe Dr., 39532

140 St. John Ave., 39530

435-6105

432-7783

Gulfport School District | (228) 865-4600

<http://www.gulfportschools.org/>

District Office: 2010 15th St., Gulfport, MS 39507

Elementary Schools

	Address	Phone
Anniston Elem.	2314 Jones St., 39507	896-6309
Bayou View Elem.	4898 Washington Ave., 39507	865-4625
Central Elem.	1043 Pass Rd., 39501	865-4642
Gaston Point Elem.	1526 Mills Ave., 39501	865-4656
Pass Road Elem.	37 Pass Road, 39501	865-4659
West Elem.	4051 15th St., 39501	870-1025
28th Street Elem.	3136-46th Ave., 39501	867-2140

Middle Schools

Central Middle	1310 42nd Ave., 39501	870-1035
Bayou View Middle	212 43rd Ave., 39507	865-4633

High School

Gulfport HS (9th)	100 Perry St., 39507	896-1475
Gulfport High School	100 Perry St., 39507	896-7525
The Learning Center	1215 Church St., 39507	897-6045
HS GED Program	2507 21st St., 39501	896-4633

Hancock County School District | (228) 255-0376

<http://www.hancock.k12.ms.us/new>

District Office: 17304 Highway 603, Kiln, MS 39556

Elementary Schools

	Address	Phone
East Hancock Elem.	4221 Kiln-Delisle Rd., 39556	255-6637
Hancock North Central Elem.	6122 Cuevas Town Rd., 39556	255-7641
South Hancock Elem.	6590 Lakeshore Rd., 39520	467-4655
West Hancock Elem.	23350 Highway 43, 39466	586-6054
Middle School	Address	Phone
Hancock Middle School	7670 Stennis Airport Rd., 39556	467-1889

High School

Hancock High School	7070 Stennis Airport Rd., 39556	467-2251
Hancock County Career Tech	7180 Stennis Airport Rd., 39556	467-3568
WIN Zone	7060 Stennis Airport Rd., 39556	466-6563

Harrison County School District | (228) 539-6500

<http://www.harrison.k12.ms.us>

District Office: 11072 Highway 49, Gulfport, MS 39503

Elementary Schools

	Address	Phone
Bel Aire Elem.	10531 Klein Rd., Gulfport, 39503	832-7436
Crossroads Elem.	10453 Klein Rd., Gulfport, 39503	832-6711
D'Iberville Elem.	4540 Brodie Rd., D'Iberville, 39532	392-2803
Creekbend Elem.	16121 Highway 15, Biloxi, 39532	392-9760
Harrison Central Elem.	15451 Dedeaux Rd., Gulfport, 39503	832-2701
Lizana Elem.	15341 Lizana School Rd., Gulfport, 39503	832-1592
Lyman Elem.	14222 Old Highway 49, Gulfport, 39503	832-2257
North Woolmarket Elem.	16237 Old Woolmarket Rd., Biloxi, 39532	396-3674
Orange Grove Elem.	11391 Old Highway 49, Gulfport, 39503	832-2322
Pineville Elem.	5192 Menge Ave., Pass Christian, 39571	452-4364
River Oaks Elem	14111 Three Rivers Rd., Gulfport, 39503	831-1660
Saucier Elem.	24052 1st St., Saucier, 39574	832-2440
Three Rivers Elem.	13500 Three Rivers Rd., Gulfport, 39503	831-5359
West Wortham Elem.	20199 West Wortham Rd., Saucier, 39574	831-1276
Woolmarket Elem.	12513 John Lee Rd., Biloxi, 39532	392-5640

Middle Schools

	Address	Phone
Creekbend Middle	16121 Highway 15, Biloxi, 39532	392-9760
D'Iberville Middle (5-8)	3320 Warrior Rd., D'Iberville, 39540	392-1746
North Gulfport 8th Middle	4715 Illinois Ave., Gulfport, 39503	864-5326
North Gulfport 7th Middle	4715 Illinois Ave., Gulfport, 39503	864-8944
North Woolmarket Middle	16237 Old Woolmarket. Rd., Biloxi, 39532	396-3674
West Harrison Middle	21411 Landon Rd, Gulfport, 39503	831-8808
West Wortham Middle	20199 West Wortham Rd., Saucier 39574	831-1276

High Schools

	Address	Phone
D'Iberville HS	15625 Lamey Bridge Rd., Biloxi, 39532	392-2678
Harrison Central HS	15600 School Rd., Gulfport, 39503	832-2610
Harrison County Vo-Tech	15600 School Rd., Gulfport, 39503	832-6652
West Harrison HS	10399 County Farm Rd., Gulfport, 39503	539-8900
Harrison County Alternative	11072 Highway 49, Gulfport, 39503	539-5956
Harrison County Child Development	94 29th Street, Gulfport, 39503	863-0583

Jackson County Public School District | (228) 826-1757

<http://www.jcsd.k12.ms.us/>

District Office: 12210 Colonel Vickery Rd., Vancleave, 39565-5096

Elementary Schools

	Address	Phone
Vancleave Lower (K-2)	12602 Hwy 57, Vancleave, 39565	826-5982
Vancleave Upper (3-5)	13901 Hwy 57, Vancleave, 39565	826-4581
St. Martin North (K-3)	16308 LeMoyne Blvd., Biloxi, 39532	392-1387
St. Martin East (K-3)	7508 Rose Farm Rd., Ocean Springs, 39564	875-3204
St. Martin Upper (4-5)	10910 Yellow Jacket Blvd., Ocean Springs, 39564	818-2849
East Central Lower (K-2)	5621 Hwy 614 Hurley, 39555	588-7060
East Central Upper (3-5)	5400 Hurley-Wade Rd., Hurley, 39555	588-7019

Middle Schools

Vancleave Middle (6-8)	Bulldog Lane, Vancleave, 39565	826-5902
St. Martin Middle (6-8)	Yellow Jacket Blvd., Ocean Springs, 39564	818-4833
East Central Middle	404 Hurley-Wade Rd., Hurley, 39555	588-7019

High Schools

Vancleave HS	12424 Hwy 57, Vancleave, 39656	826-4701
St. Martin HS	10900 Yellow Jacket Blvd., Ocean Springs, 39564	875-8418
East Central HS	21700 Slider Rd., Hurley, 39555	588-7000

Long Beach School District | (228) 864-1146

<http://www.lbsdk12.com>

District Office: 19148 Commission Road, Long Beach, MS 39560

Elementary Schools

	Address	Phone
Harper McCaughan (2-4)	19200 Pineville Rd., 39560	863-0478
Quarles Elem. (PreK-1)	111 Quarles St., 39560	864-3946
Reeves Elem. (5-6)	214 St. Augustine Dr., 39560	864-9764

Middle School

Long Beach Middle (7-8)	204 North Cleveland Ave., 39560	864-3370
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High School

Long Beach Senior HS	300 East Old Pass Rd., 39560	863-6945
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Moss Point School District | (228) 475-0691

<http://www.mp.k12.ms.us/>

District Office: 4924 Church Street, Moss Point, MS 39563

Elementary School	Address	Phone
Moss Point West Kindergarten	3524 Prentiss Ave., 39563	475-5656
Moss Point Kreole Primary	6312 Martin Luther King Blvd., 39563	475-3719
Moss Point East Park Lower Elem.	4025 McCall Street, 39563	475-9866
Moss Point Escatawpa Upper Elem.	4208 Jamestown Road, 39563	474-3300
Junior High		
Magnolia Junior High	6601 Orange Grove Road, 39563	475-1429
High School		
Moss Point HS	4913 Weems Street, 39563	475-5721

Ocean Springs School District | (228) 875-7706

<http://www.ossd.k12.ms.us>

District Office: 2300 Government Street, Ocean Springs, MS 39501

Elementary Schools	Address	Phone
Magnolia Park Elem. (K-3)	3500 Government Street, 39564	875-4263
Oak Park Elem. (K-3)	2230 Government Street, 39564	875-5847
Pecan Park Elem. (K-3)	504 Hanley Road, 39564	875-2851
OS Upper Elem (4-6)	406 Holcomb Blvd., 39564	875-0333
Middle School		
OS Middle (7-8)	3600 Hanshaw Rd., 39564	872-6210
High School		
OS High	Old Spanish Trail & Hwy 57, 39564	
Elizabeth Keys Tech Ctr. (10-12)	2401 School St., 39564	872-3411
Alternative Education Center	2318 Government St., 39564	872-0031

Pascagoula School District | (228) 938-6491

<http://www.psd.ms/>

District Office: 1006 Communny Avenue, PO Box 250, Pascagoula, MS 39568-0250

Elementary Schools	Address	Phone
Arlington Elem.	3511 Arlington Street, 39581	938-6552
Beach Elem.	633 Market, 39567	938-6428
Central Elem.	1100 Dupont, 39567	938-6559
Cherokee Elem.	4102 Scovel Ave., 39581	938-6547

Elementary Schools cont.	Address	Phone
College Park Elem.	2617 Ladnier Road, Gautier, 39533	522-8829
East Lawn Elem.	2611 Ingalls Ave., 39567	938-6431
Gautier Elem. (K-5)	505 Magnolia Tree Dr., Gautier, 39533	522-8824
Jackson Elem.	3203 Lanier Ave., 39581	938-6554
Lake Elem.	4504 Willow Street, 39567	938-6422
Martin Bluff Elem.	1306 Roy's Road, Gautier, 39533	522-8850
Singing River Elem.	4601 Gautier-Vancleave Rd., Gautier, 39533	522-8835

Middle Schools		
Trent Lott Academy (5-6)	2234 Pascagoula Street, 39567	938-6465
Gautier 6th Grade Academy	1920 Graveline Road, Gautier, 39533	522-8806
Gautier Middle (6-8)	1920 Graveline Road, Gautier, 39533	522-8806
Colmer Middle (7-8)	3112 Eden Street, 39581	938-6473

High Schools		
Gautier High	4307 Gautier-Vancleave Road, Gautier, 39533	522-8780
Pascagoula High	1716 Tucker Street, 39567	938-6449
Applied Tech School	2602 Market Street, 39567	938-6579
Opportunity Center	1520 Tucker Street, 39567	938-6222
Jackson County Exceptional School	4311 Hospital Street, 39581	762-1457

Pass Christian Public School District | (228) 255-6200

<http://www.pc.k12.ms.us>

District Office: 6457 Kiln-Delisle Rd, Pass Christian, MS 39571

Elementary Schools	Address	Phone
Delisle Elem.	6303 West Wittman Road, 39571	255-6211
Pass Christian Elem.	270 West 2nd Street, 39571	452-5200
Middle School		
Pass Christian Middle	6303 W Whittman Road, 39571	255-6219
High School		
Pass Christian HS	720 West North Street, 39571	452-5219
Early Childhood Center (6wks-4yrs)	205 Leovy Ave., 39571	452-5210

Stone County School District | (601) 928-7247

<http://www.stone.k12.ms.us>

District Office: 214 Critz Street, Wiggins, MS 39577

Elementary Schools

Perkinston ES

Stone ES

Address

40 Second Street, Perkinston, 39573

1652 East Central Ave., 39577

Phone

928-3380

928-5474

Middle School

Stone MS

532 East Central Ave., 39577

928-4876

High School

Stone HS

400 East Border Ave., 39577

928-5492

PRIVATE SCHOOLS

There are many private and parochial schools in South Mississippi. Below is a list of some of them:

Catholic Diocese of Biloxi | 228-702-2130

<http://www.education.biloxidiocese.org/Coastwide>

Cedar Lake Christian Academy (K-12th) Biloxi | 228-392-6279

www.cedarlake.net

Christian Collegiate Academy (PreK3-12th) Gulfport | 228-832-4585

www.ccagulfport.org

Coast Episcopal (PreK-6th) Long Beach | 228-452-9442

<http://school.passchristian.net/coastepiscopal.htm>

Grace Baptist Academy (PreK3-12th) Ocean Springs | 228-875-2093

www.graceibc.org

Hope Academy (PreK2-6th) Ocean Springs | 228-396-9096

www.hopeacademyfg.org

Our Lady of Fatima (PreK3-6th) Biloxi

www.fatimafalcons.org

St. John's Episcopal (Pre-K) Ocean Springs | 228-872-3343

www.stjohnsoceansprings.org

Temple Christian Academy (K2-12th) Gulfport | 228-832-4504

www.templebaptistgulfport.com

Home School Information

Home school students must register by 15 September each school year, but parents can transfer children to home school at any time during the year.

www.militaryonesource.mil/k12-and-college-education/homeschooling

Home School Legal Defense: www.hslda.org/laws/default.asp

Coast Christian Home Educators Association: www.homeschool-life.com/ms/cchea

To register, contact the school attendance officer assigned to the public school that your child would attend. You are required to fill out a Certificate of Enrollment for each child that will be home schooled. You will receive a Verification of Compliance from the attendance officer after you have completed the Certificate of Enrollment.

The attendance officers for our area schools are:

Summer Premeaux | (228) 435-7698

- Biloxi
- North Woolmarket
- Woolmarket
- Bel Aire Elem.
- Crossroads
- Harrison Central Elem.
- Orange Grove

Courtney Christian | (228) 865-4426

- D'Iberville schools
- Gulfport High
- Gulfport 9th Grade
- West Harrison High
- West Wortham
- Lizana Learning Center

Alison Pietrangelo | (228) 865-4708

- All Gulfport schools (except Gulfport High)
- Harrison Central High
- Three Rivers

Lauren Ricks | (228) 255-6200

- Long Beach Schools
- Pass Christian schools
- North Gulfport 7-8
- Harrison Central Elem.
- Lyman
- Saucier
- Pineville

(228) 466-4166

- Hancock County Schools
- Bay-Waveland Schools

Youth Sponsorship

Are you and your family planning on moving to Mississippi soon? Have you just arrived at your new home and want to learn more about what's available in the area? The Navy Child and Youth Programs Youth Sponsorship Program will provide you the necessary information and tools to help you cope with your transition. Our goal is to provide services to eligible children and youth living on and off base.

The Youth Sponsorship Program is comprised of three elements: Youth Sponsors, Youth Sponsorship Clubs, and Student 2 Student.

Youth Sponsors: Helps with the relocation of youth so that they can become more familiar with their new home in MS. Sponsors are matched to youth according to their gender, age, and interests. The sponsor escorts incoming youth around the base, school area, and to the Youth and Teen Activities Centers and events. Newcomers can find a matching sponsor by filling out a Youth Sponsor form found at the Youth Center.

Youth Sponsor Clubs: Located in the Youth and Teen Centers and focus on relocation support and the transitions that military-connected youth and teens often encounter, while offering programs specifically tailored to the needs and interests of participants.

The **Anchored for Life** program is currently held at the Harper McCaughan Upper Elementary in Long Beach.

Military Star Program (Purple Star)

The Military Star School program is designed to help schools respond to the educational and social-emotional challenges military-connected children face during their transition to a new school and keep them on track to be college, workforce, and life-ready. Military-connected refers to children of service members on active duty, and in the National Guard and Reserves. The program awards public schools a Military Star designation if they have certain resources in place to accommodate children of a current or former member of the military. There are 31 states that have passed/issued legislation, executive order, or similar. Gov. Tate Reeves, signed [Executive Order NO. 1561-Military Star School Program on February 21, 2022](#).

Exceptional Family Member Program

The Exceptional Family Member Program, EFMP, was originally established to comply with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act in DODD Schools. It is used to coordinate PCS assignments to ensure the availability of services required to meet the family's special needs. Enrollment is mandatory for family member(s) experiencing physical, emotional, or intellectual disability or long-term special education needs.

For more information on the Exceptional Family Member Program or for information on local resources, please contact the EFMP Liaison, Susan Smith, at the Fleet and Family Support Center at (228) 871-3000/3640 or e-mail susan.smith71.naf@us.navy.mil.

Exceptional Family Member Program: Supports military families with special medical and educational needs. <http://www.militaryonesource.mil/efmp>

Department of Defense EFMP Policy:

<http://www.militaryonesource.mil/efmp/leaders>

<http://www.militaryinstallations.dod.mil/>

For relocation Information call Fleet and Family Service Center at 228-871-3000

FFSC helpful websites:

<http://www.militaryinstallations.dod.mil/MOS/f?p=MI:ENTRY:0>

http://www.cnic.navy.mil/ffr/family_readiness/fleet_and_family_support_program.html

https://m.facebook.com/ffsc.gulfport.7/info/?entry_point=page_nav_about_item&ref=page_internal

Military Family Life Counselors-currently, there are 13 counselors working with our military students at 37 schools. A parent release form must be signed before a counselor can work with a student. Check with your child's school to see if one is assigned there. School adjustment, deployment, reunion, and behavior are some of the areas addressed by the Military Family Life Counselor's (MFLC). Please contact the School Liaison for more information at 228-871-2117 or by emailing gulfportsl@us.navy.mil