

Support for Military Families

Some students face unique challenges that negatively impact their progress in school. Frequent moves experienced by military families create challenges with respect to transfer of records, graduation requirements, kindergarten entrance, adapting to changing curriculum and accessing specific programs and services necessary to meet students' unique educational needs. Under the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), school districts are now required to report which students come from military families so that these students' academic growth can be monitored. The purpose of collecting this information is for the following reasons:

- The Ohio Department of Education is working to create the Ohio Network for Military Families. The Ohio Network for Military Families will serve as an online "virtual" hub providing information and tools for families and connections to a range of student and family supports.
- The Ohio Department of Education will partner with the Wright-Patterson Air Force Base and the Ohio National Guard to connect with counselors, teachers, principals, superintendents and administrative office staff to inform and educate school staff on how to recognize challenges faced by military families and provide appropriate supports for Ohio's "military kids".

To help meet the needs of our military families, Bellefontaine City Schools is asking parents of current BCS students to report if they are currently on active duty with the U.S. Military (during the 2019-2020 school year). If so, please complete the form below and return it by 5/29/2020 to the Central Office by mailing to:

Bellefontaine City Schools
Attn: EMIS
820 Ludlow Road
Bellefontaine, OH, 43311

Student's Name _____ Grade _____

_____ A: Student is currently a dependent of a member of the Active Duty Forces (Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps or Coast Guard)

_____ B: Student is currently a dependent of a member of the Army National Guard or Air National Guard

_____ C: Reserve Duty