

Useful links

County Schools:

<http://www.dpi.state.nc.us/docs/ec/policy/resources/2008/ecparenthandbook0409.pdf>

DoD Schools:

<http://www.dodea.edu/curriculum/docs/sped/parentRights.pdf>

School Liaison:

<http://www.mccslejeune.com/schools>

Military Homefront:

<http://www.militaryhomefront.dod.mil/1/specialneedsefmp/policy>

Resource: *From Emotions to Advocacy*

<http://www.ftaweb.com>



Who are we?

The purpose of the Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) is to assist headquarters with assignment coordination for families enrolled in the program, to ensure that the receiving duty location is able to provide special services for the exceptional family member.

For families currently stationed aboard Camp Lejeune, EFMP provides support and information pertaining to medical and educational needs.

If you have any concerns related to school or medical issues, please call us, we are here to help!



What you should know about...

Special Education

Camp Lejeune, NC

www.mccslejeune.com/efmp

ANY QUESTIONS?

Contact us at 910-451-4394

Or e-mail us at TaylorAY@usmc-mccs.org



How can we help?



We are here to provide guidance on how to navigate through the Special Needs Process. At any time you may request to meet with your EFMP case specialist to discuss your concerns or request for them to attend your child's IEP meeting. It is recommended that you meet with your case specialist a week prior to the IEP meeting to discuss how to address your concerns. You have the right to reschedule an IEP meeting in order to ensure your support person is present. The EFMP office offers many books and materials about Special Needs issues, and trainings are scheduled periodically for parents. Visit our website for future training dates, and ask to be placed on the EFMP e-mail distribution list to receive information on upcoming events and newsletters.



“Difficulties are meant to rouse, not discourage.”



Moving to the area?

Before you move, request from the exiting school to provide you with a copy of all your child's educational records, including the IEP. Hand deliver records to the receiving school so that they have a clear understanding on how to serve your child. The receiving school will recognize your child's current IEP and comparable services will be provided until your child can be reassessed and eligibility can be determined based on DoDEA or local state standards.

New to the area?

If your child will be attending DoDEA schools you may request a meeting with the Case Study Committee (CSC), at any time, to discuss your child's current IEP and what comparable educational services will be provided for your child while awaiting reassessment.

For students attending off-base schools, you may request to meet with the Instructional Intervention Team (IIT) to discuss placement and the reassessment process.

Parents are encouraged to submit in writing a request for a meeting in a letter or an e-mail addressed to the child's teacher and the school's principal to ensure the parent's request is documented and noted.

Experiencing Problems?

You have the right at any time to request an IEP meeting if you are dissatisfied with any aspect of your child's educational progress.

Address issues with your child's teachers first.

If the teachers do not acknowledge concerns, submit concerns in writing to the school administrator – principal or assistant principal.

If the school has reached no resolution, contact the district superintendent's office.