# WEST POINT SCHOOL SUPPORT SERVICES

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## SUMMARY:

The West Point School District includes West Point Elementary (PK-4) and West Point Middle School (5-8). Both are located on the grounds of West Point and part of the Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA). Eligibility to attend West Point Schools includes, but is not limited to, living in permanent on-post housing.

Family members in grades 9-12, who reside in permanent on-post housing align with James I. O'Neill High School. James I. O'Neill HS is part of the Highland Falls-Fort Montgomery Central School District, New York State (NYSED). Eligibility to attend James I. O'Neill HS includes, but is not limited to, living in permanent on-post housing. Families that reside off post are aligned with the school district within which they live. School districts generally do not allow out of district enrollment.

## SCHOOL DISTRICTS:

DDESS/NY Schools 845-938-2313/2923 www.am.dodea.edu/ ny\_va/new\_york.html MOA Signatory S2S Programs Highland Falls CSD 845-446-9575 www.hffmcsd.org/ district.cfm ☑ MOA Signatory ☑ S2S Programs Cornwall CSD 845-534-8009 www.cornwallschools.com MOA Signatory S2S Programs Monroe-Woodbury 845-460-6200 http://mw.k12.ny.us MOA Signatory S2S Programs Washingtonville CSD 845-497-4000 www.ws.K12.ny.us MOA Signatory S2S Programs Newburgh ECSD 123-456-7890 newburghschools.org MOA Signatory S2S Programs

 NEW YORK STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT:
 Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunities For Military Children Member State

 Website:
 www.p12.nysed.gov
 School Data:
 www.p12.nysed.gov/irs

 Adequate Yearly Progress Reports:
 www.p12.nysed.gov/accountability

#### SCHOOL REGISTRATION:

At what age can my child start school? DDESS—The child must be five years old on or before 1 September of the academic year he/she is enrolling to start kindergarten. Kindergarten is full day.

NYS—The child must be five years old on or before 1 December of the academic year he/she is enrolling to start kindergarten.

## What is required for enrollment?

- Birth Certificate
   Shot Record
- 3. Copy of the child's physical exam (NYS)
- Proof of Parent/Custodian address (NYS)
  - Lease Agreement (DDESS)
- Copy of orders, SF50 or DA3434 (DDESS)
   Custody or guardian papers filed through
- the court (if applicable)

#### How do I enroll for school?

DDESS—Online registration is available. https://registration.dodea.edu

Several forms can be completed on the computer. Required documents are hand carried to the campus registrar. NYS—Enrollment is at the local level. Contact your school district or School Liaison Officer for additional information.

# SCHOOL CHOICE OPTIONS:

- **Public School Choice:** Districts identified as Improvement Year 1 or 2 (under NCLB accountability) are required to notify parents of their right to Public School Choice and Supplemental Educational Services (SES).
- **Private Schools:** Please visit <u>PrivateSchoolReview.com</u>. Parents are highly encouraged to verify accreditation.
- Home Schools: DDESS—Sponsors are responsible for complying with applicable local state requirements. Dependents are permitted to use/receive auxiliary services. Visit <u>www.dodea.edu</u> to view the DoDEA Policy Memorandum on Home Schooling. NYS—NYS law does not require any specific credentials for the person providing home instruction. An Individualized Home Instruction Plan (IHIP) must be submitted for each child, to your district. Parents are required to keep attendance records for each child. It is highly recommended to keep evidence of programs, achievement and all correspondence with the school district.
- Charter Schools: Currently there are no charter schools located within the above 6 school districts.

## **REMINDERS:**

- Enroll your children immediately upon arrival to West Point. It is not recommended that you delay enrolling your children when you transition to a new installation. Delayed enrollment could result in loss of credits and/or repeating a grade.
- Attendance Policies. State and district school policies may differ. Promptly follow district policies to ensure that qualified excused absences are excused. Establish a strong communication link with the school, this will enhance the education process.
- **Special Education Transition.** Ensure you transition with a current IEP to include educational evaluations and assessment results. Letters of introduction from teachers, therapists and other professionals that worked with your child would be beneficial.

## **OTHER SCHOOL DATA:**

High School schedules: Local schools generally follow a traditional schedule. Uniforms: Local schools generally do not require uniforms. **Pre-K:** NYS does not mandate Pre-K. Contact your district office. Half day Pre-K is available at West Point Elementary, child must be 4 years old by 1 September of the academic year he/she is enrolling.