

Welcome to Joint Base Charleston. Military HOMEFRONT (<http://www.militaryhomefront.dod.mil/>) is the premier website to get the most current newcomer information for the installation and community, including school information. Additionally, there are tips and tools for relocating to the area.

### **School Information for Newcomers**

Selecting the right school for your child is an important aspect of relocating to a new area. Joint Base Charleston is surrounded by three separate school districts; Charleston (CCSD), Dorchester District 2 (DD2), and Berkeley (BCSD) County school districts are all within the commuting area. There are no on-base schools. Where you live determines what school your child will attend. Parents are encouraged to research schools prior to signing any contract for housing on or off base.

Visit the following HOMEFRONT link for more school information for Joint base Charleston AB:  
[http://apps.mhf.dod.mil/pls/psgprod/f?p=MI:CONTENT:2527631926637101::NO::P4\\_INST\\_ID:4195](http://apps.mhf.dod.mil/pls/psgprod/f?p=MI:CONTENT:2527631926637101::NO::P4_INST_ID:4195)

Children living in Air Base housing attend Charleston County Schools. Residents of Hunley Park attend Hunley Park Elementary School, and those living on Main Base are zoned for Lambs Elementary. Zucker Middle School (6-8) and Stall High School (9-12) serve the older children. Charleston County has a large array of successful magnet and charter schools available, most providing transportation. Special application accommodations are made for families arriving after December, allowing them access to schools that had earlier application deadlines. There are many private and religious schools in the area, as well as a number of home school families. Contact the School Liaison for specific information about school choice.

Families who locate on the Weapons Station side of Joint Base will attend Berkeley County Schools. Marrington Elementary and Marrington Middle School of the Arts are located on the base. Goose Creek High School also serves the housing area.

Military families arriving in Charleston County Schools after December may apply to district magnet schools under the Resolution for Military Families. The School Liaison Officer has more information on this amazing program which allows these military families extended application deadlines for magnet programs.

The area is also served by one State Charter School, Palmetto Scholars Academy, for gifted and talented children. The School Liaison Office can provide additional information.

### **School Liaison Officer (SLO)**

The SLO is located in the Airman and Family Readiness Center, and can be reached at (843) 963-4438 or (843) 963-4406. The links below will provide parents with valuable information on relocating with children, private school listings, home school, checklists of documents to hand-carry, and state test data/scores. In addition, the Charleston, Dorchester II and Berkeley schools links will provide an overview of the district and take you to specific school web pages.

### ***Important Information for Parents of School-age Children***

**Department of Education, State of South Carolina**

[www.ed.sc.gov](http://www.ed.sc.gov)

**School, district and state test data may be accessed through the State Department of Education's web site:**

<http://ed.sc.gov/topics/researchandstats/reports>

**Charleston County School District**

[www.ccsdschools.com](http://www.ccsdschools.com)

**Dorchester County School District II**

[www.dorchester2.k12.sc.us](http://www.dorchester2.k12.sc.us)

**Berkeley County School District**

[www.berkeley.k12.sc.us](http://www.berkeley.k12.sc.us)

**South Carolina Information Highway - Public & Private School Info**

<http://www.sciway.net/edu>

**Home schooling in South Carolina**

[http://www.homeschoolcentral.com/support/south\\_carolina\\_homeschool.htm](http://www.homeschoolcentral.com/support/south_carolina_homeschool.htm)

**Military Impacted Schools Association: Interstate Compact Information & Resources for children and the family**

[www.militarystudent.org](http://www.militarystudent.org)

**Military Child Education Coalition- tons of info including a checklist for sending/receiving schools**

[www.militarychild.org](http://www.militarychild.org)