



CLINT EARLY COLLEGE ACADEMY

MILITARY KIDS CONNECTION PROGRAM

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MISSION STATEMENT

The Military Kids Connection Program at CECA is dedicated to providing support, community, and resources for students whose parents or guardians are military service members. Our goal is to:

- 01.** Connect students with veterans
- 02.** Support students with parents in the military
- 03.** Provide care for students who have lost a parent in the line of duty





WHY THIS MATTERS

- Military kids face unique challenges, including frequent moves, deployments, and long periods away from a parent.
- Military families often don't have the same support as active-duty families.
- Students who have lost a parent in service need a strong support system.
- We aim to build a sense of community and belonging at CECA.





CONNECTING STUDENTS TO VETERANS



- Veterans Day Thank You Cards
- Military Student Share-Out
- “Veteran Facts & Quotes” Morning Announcements - read a short quote or fun fact about veterans each day during the week of Veterans Day.
- “Walk a Mile in Their Boots” Activity - Students write a short reflection pretending they’re a service member writing a letter home. They imagine daily life, feelings, or what they miss most.



SUPPORT STUDENTS WITH PARENTS IN THE MILITARY

- “My Hero Wall” or Bulletin Board - Create a small board in the hallway or classroom where students can post pictures or drawings of their parent in uniform or write messages.
- Military Appreciation Pin or Bracelet Days - On certain days (like around Veterans Day or Armed Forces Day), give students with military parents a small pin, sticker, or bracelet to show school support.
- Monthly “Military Kids Check-In” during Advisory - Pick one day each month to do a casual check-in with students who have a parent in the military. Just ask how they’re doing and if they need anything.





SUPPORTING STUDENTS WHO LOST A PARENT IN THE LINE OF DUTY



- Day of Honor Pin or Ribbon - students wear a special pin, ribbon, or sticker on a chosen remembrance day (like Memorial Day) in honor of their parent.
- Let Them Step Out When Needed - Give them a pass they can use if they need to step out of class for a bit.
- Private Journal Option - Let them keep a notebook or Google Doc to write, draw, or vent—whatever works for them. No sharing unless they want to. Offer a quiet time in advisory.



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THANK YOU

For supporting military-connected students at CECA!

Let's work together to make a difference!

