

KMC Educator's Forum

The Educator's Forum is an opportunity for the military community to focus on teacher orientation, as well as the military's mission. The purpose is to familiarize our educators with the mission of the 86th Airlift Wing.

The 86th AW addresses the military mission and the importance of supporting the 11 KMC DoDDS schools. The 86th Mission Support Group Commander serves as host and emcee at the forum.



The Educator's Forum is slated for Friday, October 17, 2003 from 1300 to 1500 at the Galaxy Theater on Vogelweh Annex (next to the Vogelweh Chapel).

SLO Alliances

- Military Child Education Coalition (MCEC)
- European Congress of American Parents, Teachers and Students (ECAPTS)
- Parent Teacher Association (PTA)
- Parent, Teacher Student Association (PTSA)
- Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)
- School Advisory Committee (SAC)
- School Advisory Board
- First Look Initiative

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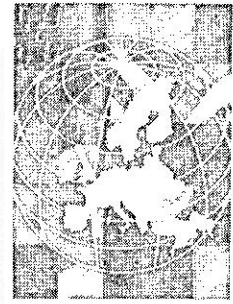
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As part of the 86th Mission Support Group at Ramstein Air Base, Germany, the Kaiserslautern Military Community (KMC) Schools Liaison Office (SLO) is determined to facilitate the best academic opportunities to its military and civilian dependents. The goal of the SLO is to work in partnership with the military, community and schools in developing community unity in education.

The SLO is designed to promote and support the relationship between the military and the Department of Defense District Schools (DoDDS).

The SLO enables the military community to better facilitate DoDDS in educating the students of our military and community members.

School-Based Programs

The SLO is responsible for administering school-based programs that range from nourishment to classroom volunteerism. Through the Quality of Life Initiative, the SLO is able to partner with the USDA,



as well as sponsor the Speakers' Bureau in order to guarantee active community involvement for all military families.

It is through the SLO that schools and the military community come together to form a balanced and united force.

SPEAKERS' BUREAU

The Speakers' Bureau is the KMC's primary forum for military personnel, family members and civilians to share their experiences, job knowledge and/or outside interest with students through mentorship and volunteerism. Participation in the Speakers' Bureau expands our DoDDS teachers' areas of expertise by capitalizing on a remarkable pool of skilled and talented community members. More importantly, our children reap incredible benefits both academically and culturally from community involvement. <http://www.kais-dso.eu.odedodea.edu/SpeakersBureauvol.htm>

USDA FREE AND REDUCED MEAL PROGRAM

Based on income and family size, a child may qualify for the free or reduced price lunch program. The calculation is measured against the USDA rate chart to determine eligibility for the program. Verification of the most current Leave and Earnings Statement (LES) and any additional income is required in the application process. Qualifying families are responsible for reporting any change in income over \$50 per month or any change in family size.



AAFES SCHOOL MEAL PROGRAM

AAFES provides the lunches served at each of the KMC schools. AAFES provides menu choices, nutritional information and an online survey. <http://odin.aafes.com/nutrition/index.html>

KAISERSLAUTERN FEEDER PLAN

"Where you live is where you go to school", unless otherwise determined by special circumstances. DoDDS provides information on which villages feed into each of the 11 schools in the KMC. <http://www.kais-dso.eu.odedodea.edu/Transportation.htm>

BRIGHT EYES PROGRAM

The Kaiserslautern/Landstuhl Spouses Association (KLSA) provides free eyeglasses to children of families eligible for the FREE lunch program. Preschoolers from single income families whose sponsor is an E-4 or below can also obtain free eyeglasses through the Bright Eyes Program.

SURE START PROGRAM

The Sure Start Program is the DoDDS equivalent to the Head Start Pre-School Program. DoDDS lists enrollment criteria needed for eligibility determination. <http://www.kais-dso.eu.odedodea.edu/EdProgramsSureStart.htm>

KMC SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD

The KMC School Advisory Board serves as the voice of the KMC School community. It consists of one representative from each of the 11 schools in the KMC.

