



To: Parents of Military Students Residing on Joint Base MDL

From: Ms. Helen Payne, Superintendent North Hanover Township School District (PreK-6)  
Dr. James Sarruda, Superintendent, Northern Burlington Regional Middle/High School District

RE: Joint Base MDL School Choice

Welcome to our school districts! We are honored to serve the Joint Base McGuire-Dix Lakehurst. Meeting the needs of our military community is one of our top priorities. We understand the challenges military connected children face and the richness of experience that they add to our districts. At North Hanover Township Elementary School District/ Northern Burlington County Regional Middle School and High School, our mission is to meet those needs and celebrate those experiences, in a welcoming and inclusive environment.

We know that military families residing on JB-MDL have a choice of schools. North Hanover Township Elementary School District and Northern Burlington County Regional Middle/High School District are recognized leaders and advocates in the military connected education community. We maintain close ties locally to JB-MDL, and nationally to policy makers and legislators. We offer a well articulated program Pre-K-6th grade in North Hanover, and 7-12th grade in Northern Burlington Regional.

**Highlights at the Pre-K-6th grade level:**

- All schools performing well above average per the NJ School Performance Reports
- Full day preschool with transportation for all three and four year olds
- A dedicated elementary school transition coordinator to ensure students and families transition smoothly to our district, and a Military Kids Club
- New PreK-4th grade elementary school (2019) in the Falcon Courts North section of JB-MDL
- Best practice curricular programs, mobile technology resources in every classroom and new/renovated facilities district-wide.
- Staff trained specifically to meet the needs of military-connected students
- A wide range of support services for students including English as a Second Language, Intervention and Referral Services, Focused Intervention Time, gifted and talented programs, Military Family Counseling, school based counseling, art/music/theater opportunities, SWAG (Social Wellness for Academic Growth) and much more.
- A very active Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)
- A five year, \$750,000 DoDEA grant to enhance mathematics education
- YMCA partnership to provide fee-based before and after school care

Please visit [www.nhanover.com](http://www.nhanover.com) for registration information and to learn more about our elementary district. If you need assistance of any kind, contact us at 609-738-2600 and we will be happy to help.

**Highlights at the 7 - 12 grade level:**

A comprehensive selection of courses provides each student with the most appropriately challenging course of study, and meets the interests and needs of all students. Extensive offerings in 21st Century Life and Career courses include Air Force Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFJROTC), Agriscience, Applied Technology/Engineering, Business & Technology, and Family/Consumer Science. Highlights include:



- Over 30 Honors/Advanced Placement Courses. Last year NB administered 550 AP exams
- Recognition by the College Board on the AP Honor Roll
- AP Capstone Diploma Program
- Access to high school courses beginning as early as 7th grade.
- Dual enrollment courses enable students to begin obtaining college credits in high school.
- In World Language, NB participates in the State Seal of Biliteracy.
- Two after-school late bus runs (3:30pm and 5:30pm) to support students' participation in co-curricular activities.
- The Athletic Department services high school student-athletes, offering over 65 interscholastic programs, various levels of cheer, athletic trainer instruction, and weight room programs.
  - A complete listing of district athletic programs can be found at the following link:  
<https://hs.nburlington.com/hs/athletics/index.jsp>
- Additionally, the Athletic Department services the middle school student-athletes, offering over 28 interscholastic programs

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