



The Round-Up

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Upcoming Events

Native American Heritage

We join the nation in recognizing Native Americans for their respect for natural resources and the Earth, having served with valor in our nation's conflicts and for their many distinct and important contributions to the USA.

Military Family Appreciation

We renew our commitment to the families and communities that we are proud to serve!

November 7th-11th

School Psychology Week
School Psychs effectively link teaching, learning, and mental health to improve outcomes and are a ready resource in our schools.

November 8th

PTA General Membership Meeting
4:30-5:00pm—Potluck
5:00-6:00pm—Meeting

November 9th @ 0900

Veterans Day Celebration in MPR

November 10th

No School
Veterans Day Observance

November 17th @ 4pm

PTA Build-A-Buddy Fundraiser

November 23rd - 24th

Thanksgiving Federal Holiday and Recess Day
School is closed.

Dear School Community,

The Standard Response Protocol (SRP) is a synthesis of common practices in use in DoDEA schools. Standard Response Protocol is not a replacement for any school safety plan or program. It is simply a classroom response enhancement for critical incidents, designed to provide consistent, clear, shared language and actions among all students, staff and first responders.

Developed by the ILoveYouGuys.org foundation, SRP is a uniform, planned, and practiced response to any incident. By standardizing the vocabulary, all stakeholders can understand the response and status of the event.

The SRP is based on five actions: Hold, Secure, Lockdown, Evacuate, and Shelter.

HOLD: Used when there is a need to remain in a classroom or area, even during class transitioning.

SECURE (lockout): Directed when there is a threat or hazard outside the school.

LOCKDOWN: Directed when there is a threat or hazard inside the school building.

EVACUATION: Implemented when there is a need to move students from one facility to another.

SHELTER: Shelter is called when the need for personal protection is necessary.

If school or installation officials require that a school building be evacuated, students and staff members will be safely transported to a designated parent-student reunification location. Parents will be informed of the reunification location based upon local operating procedures. At the reunification location, students will be released to their parents upon presentation of proper identification. Neither DoDEA nor the Garrison will release this type of specific information in advance due to force protection and student safety consideration. We will share additional information regarding the SRP at the General PTA meeting set for Wednesday, 8 November 2023. We hope to see you there.

*See you in the hallways,
Sonja & Sara*

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VETERANS DAY CEREMONY

November 9th at 09:00 our school will celebrate the veterans we know and love! Please share a photo of your favorite veteran(s) which will be included in a slideshow that will be shared during the month of November in our entryway. You can simply email photos of your favorite veterans, from any/all generation, to principal.patches@dodea.edu.

Patch ES Chain of Communication

From time to time, parents and other community members may have questions or concerns about our educational programs and services.

To ensure continuous open lines of communication, we encourage you to seek resolution at the lowest possible level.

Parents & Community have access all school employees.

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The Patch Pulse

*by Nurse Monica
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Safety tips as the kids transit to school: please remind kids to stay on the sidewalk, to not cut through parking lots, and to be extra cautious while riding bikes, riding scooters, and walking. It is always a good idea to wear helmets, wear reflective gear and lights. It is even required for bicyclists to wear reflective clothing, use lights and helmets per the Army in Europe Regulation 190-1 valid as of 18 June 2020.

The influenza vaccination is required for all DoDEA students. These clinics will be open to EVERYONE regardless of whether you are a servicemember, family member, or a contractor. Please access the Army Health Clinic Stuttgart's website for the most current and up to date information about the influenza vaccination drive. <https://mhs-europe.tricare.mil/Stuttgart>

THANK YOU to the parents and the students who have turned in the proof of vaccination already for the flu (and for the 11-year old vaccinations). There will be a box at the vaccination events to put the student's vaccination card - with the name and date of birth on it-or you can create a pdf file and email it. The PDF file format is preferred because the vaccination record needs printed as a primary source documentation and stays in the student's record. In contrast, the JPG format often results in blurred unprintable copies. You can use the notes section on an I-phone or the Google drive app on Google phones to scan the card into PDF format.

<https://support.apple.com/en-gb/guide/iphone/iph653f28965/ios>

<https://support.google.com/drive/answer/3145835?hl=en&co=GENIE.Platform%3DAndroid>

Ever wonder how to talk to your student about the health risks of e-cigarette use and Vaping? Here are some helpful websites:

https://www.cdc.gov/tobacco/basic_information/e-cigarettes/

https://www.cdc.gov/tobacco/basic_information/e-cigarettes/severe-lung-disease.html

<https://www.fda.gov/tobacco-products/public-health-education/youth-and-tobacco>

<https://www.lung.org/quit-smoking/e-cigarettes-vaping>

<https://med.stanford.edu/tobaccopreventiontoolkit/curriculum-decision-maker/by-module/E-Cigs.html>