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16TH NATIONAL TRAINING SEMINAR

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JULY 29-30, 2014

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Washington, DC

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2014 MCEC NATIONAL TRAINING SEMINAR

The 2014 National Training Seminar (NTS) is a globally-recognized, premier training event for anyone interested in serving and supporting military-connected children. The event provides a unique opportunity for our more than 700 attendees to engage with senior military and education leaders. Focused on Academics, Service, and Wellness, the seminar provides in-depth coverage of current issues relevant to military-connected children during a period of significant change and challenge.

2014 NTS SPEAKERS:

Speakers subject to change

SCHEDULED TO APPEAR:



Arne Duncan, *Secretary, Department of Education*



General Martin E. Dempsey, *Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff*



General Mark A. Welsh, *Chief of Staff, USAF*



General Frank J. Grass, *Chief, National Guard Bureau*



Admiral Paul F. Zukunft, *Commandant, USCG*



General John F. Campbell, *Vice Chief of Staff, USA*



General John M. Paxton, Jr., *Assistant Commandant, USMC*



Lieutenant General (Ret.) Eric B. Schoomaker, *USA, MD, PhD, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences*



Michael Cohen, *President, Achieve*



Sarah Smiley, *Author of Dinner with the Smiley's and military spouse*



Alex Sheen, *Founder, because I said I would*



John McGrath, *Vice President for Communication, College Board*



Ann Maston, *PhD, University of Minnesota; President, Society for Research in Child Development*

INVITED TO PARTICIPATE:

Dr. Jill Biden
Admiral Mark E. Ferguson III, *Vice Chief of Naval Operations*
Admiral William H. McRaven, *Commander, United States Special Operations Command*

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STRAND HIGHLIGHTS...

General Martin E. Dempsey, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, kicks off the National Training Seminar!

Some Featured Workshops...

ACADEMICS

Secretary Arne Duncan shares the latest news from the Department of Education with Seminar attendees!

Supporting Military-Connected Schools

Examine the role of public schools in providing nurturing and supportive learning environments for military-connected children and their families. Learn about:

- strengthening partnerships
- forging academic and community collaborations,
- providing pre-service training and professional development
- creating resource guides for military parents, school administrators, pupil personnel and teachers
- leveraging state resources for data monitoring.

Elementary Academics

Through exploration, discovery, and standards-based instruction, Pre-K students learn and develop confidence, resilience, and critical thinking skills. In this session, we share strategies and techniques to engage our youngest students.

Michael Cohen, President of Achieve, shares thoughts on preparing students academically for any and all opportunities they choose to pursue.

College and Career Readiness

What does it mean to be college and career ready, and what does it take to get there? The College Board weighs in on what it takes for our students to meet these challenges.

SERVICE

Military-connected children understand selfless service and can benefit from a host of volunteer and leadership opportunities.

Top Military Leaders representing all branches of the Armed Forces share their perspectives with Seminar participants.

Jason Mangone, The Franklin Project, issues a call for voluntary national service with the hope that it becomes a cultural expectation and a civic rite of passage for every young American.

Alex Sheen, founder, *because I said I would*, brings a timeless message of service and integrity. Find out how one man's promise to his father inspired a global movement and encourages others to better humanity through commitment.

More to come, look for weekly updates!

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SESAME WORKSHOP AND MILITARY CHILD EDUCATION COALITION

share lessons learned through supporting military-connected children throughout 13 years of war.

WELLNESS

Life in the military comes with some challenges for children – deployed parents, frequent relocations, transitioning into new schools and communities. Our Wellness strand emphasizes healthy approaches to overcoming those challenges.

School Behavioral Health

Session covers the efforts of schools, mental health and other youth serving systems to develop a full continuum of health promotion, prevention, early intervention and treatment for children and youth with more challenging problems.

The OrganWise Guys

A nationally recognized model for improving child health and academic achievement, The OrganWise Guys (OWG) is an evidence-based, multi-media, cross-curricular program using fun characters based on the organs of the body to teach children and adults how to make positive health, nutrition, and physical activity choices.

Get moving! Using exercise to reduce stress

Attendees discover the connection between exercise and stress and how to bring innovative health and wellness programming to their schools through cutting edge initiatives. Session engages participants in physical activities and experiential learning. Attendees walk away from the workshop equipped with the skills and resources they need to take their health and wellness programming to the next level!

Mindfulness and Movement

Participants explore the strong connection between the mind and body and participate in hands-on exercises such as yoga, breath-work, mindful walking and a body scan. Learn how to tailor mindfulness techniques to engage children and incorporate the techniques into school and family life. Come prepared to move!

EXPO

Featuring more than 40 exhibitors, the EXPO is a platform for sharing innovative ideas with industry representatives, observing demonstrations, and experiencing quality hands-on learning.

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