



DEPENDENTS EDUCATION COUNCIL

Non-DoD Schools Program (NDSP)



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Overview

- NDSP's Continuous Process Improvement Efforts:
 - Outcomes of the NDSP Working Group
 - Actions taken to date
 - Name change
 - Next steps



Continuous Process Improvement Efforts

- In January 2014, we convened a group to review practices, procedures and policies, with the intention of:
 - Increasing efficiencies of the program
 - Decreasing the need for exceptions to policy
 - Positively impacting families in the NDSP
- The result was a series of recommendations that will:
 - Address the policy gaps that currently exist, yielding fewer exceptions to policy
 - Increase stakeholders' knowledge about educational options, limitations and allowable costs in remote locations
 - Promote shared responsibility of the NDSP
 - Increase collaboration with the Services/Agencies
 - Increase communications and training to all stakeholders, with the goal of effective program execution



Actions Taken to Date

- Development of a multi-phased action plan on work group recommendations
- Collaboration with Military Personnel Overseas Assignment Policy
- Release of NDSP orientation
- Compilation of school fees and unauthorized costs
- Revision of website, with launch of new program name this summer.



Name Change

- Given the program purpose to provide educational support and financial assistance to facilitate educational continuity in international locations where there is no DoDEA school, the following names were sent to stakeholders for a vote:
 - ✓ DoDEA Program of International Education
 - ✓ DoDEA Program for International Education Support
 - ✓ DoDEA Office of International Education
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 - ✓ DoDEA International Education Program



Next Steps

- Continue work towards implementing work group recommendations
 - Policy review and revision is a top priority
- Conduct workload inventory - ensure Headquarters and area staffing levels are appropriate to support program
- Finalize name change - update materials and launch website



Questions

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