DoDEA celebrates Decision Day on May 1st as a way to highlight the post-secondary plans for this year's graduating class. As a system that educates military-connected students, we strive to recognize all students' post-secondary plans—whether they are to pursue higher education, enlist in the military, complete a vocational or trade program, or immediately seek employment.

DoDEA Decision Day Activities

Staff
In the weeks leading up to Decision Day, DoDEA school faculty and staff members are encouraged to take photos of themselves with a print out of the DoDEA Decision Day Door Sign and with paraphernalia, shirts, sweatshirts, hats from the post-secondary institutions they graduated from and/or their military affiliations.

**Students**

Starting May 1st, high school seniors are encouraged to post photos of themselves wearing paraphernalia of the college/university, military, or career they've decided to pursue after graduation on their favorite social media channel using #DoDEADecisionDay!

**Using SchooLinks for College and Career Exploration**

**SchooLinks**

DoDEA’s SchooLinks is a comprehensive, easy-to-use, online career and academic planning resource that helps DoDEA students graduate with a diploma and a plan.

DoDEA is excited to offer SchooLinks to our students and other stakeholders as a systemic enhancement for the college and career readiness. It serves as a one-stop electronic shop for DoDEA's students, alleviating the need for them to use multiple third-party planning resources. It will assist students in exploring and planning their post-secondary journeys with the most up-to-date information available while aiding school counselors with organizing and conducting their college and career counseling sessions more efficiently. Importantly, SchooLinks is where students will complete, store, and update their 4-6 Year Plan. SchooLinks offers a host of easy-to-use, interactive tools that will make college and career exploration a fun, yet informative process.

To help prepare for Decision Day, you can use SchooLinks for middle school to explore career interests and research the path to getting there! In high school you can use it to plan courses, research careers, colleges, and post-secondary funding opportunities.

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