# MILITARY FAMILIES

#### Thank you for your service!

Redeemer Lutheran School is situated less than 2 miles from NAS Pensacola and has a long-standing tradition of supporting military families. We have several spots reserved exclusively for military families, recognizing that they face unique challenges that other families may not. We strive to accommodate their needs to the best of our ability.













# **TRANSITION/ACADEMIC PLANNING**

At Redeemer Lutheran School, we have a deep understanding of the unique challenges faced by children of military families when transitioning to a new school due to a parent's change in duty station. We are aware of the difficulties that military children encounter, including disruptions in curriculum, varying graduation requirements, and the social and emotional challenges of leaving behind familiar friends and activities. To assist with transition planning, we have provided online forms for application documents, enrollment, registration, and other essential school information.

#### **School Calendar**

#### Application for Admission Form

You will find our application for admission form at the above link. If you have any questions, please call or send us an email at admissions@redeemerschoolpensacola.org

#### **Before & After School Care**

We offer both Before and After School Care and families may choose an annual rate or a drop in rate. Click the above link for more information.

#### **Clubs & Activities**

We have a number of clubs, activities, and sports, Click the above link for more info.

# **CONTACT INFORMATION**

School Office: Phone: (850) 455-0330 Email: rls@redeemerschoolpensacola.org

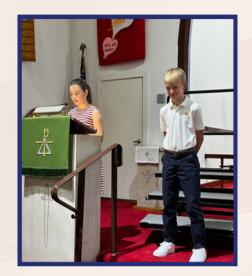
Principal John Price <u>jprice@redeemerschoolpensacola.org</u>

<u>Military Families' Point of Contact:</u> Matthew Wilson E-mail: <u>mwilson@redeemerschoolpensacola.org</u>

<u>NAS Liason:</u> Carissa Bergosh Email: <u>carissa.bergosh@gmail.com</u> Cell: (850)572-0226

<u>Admissions:</u> Dyana Davis E-mail: <u>ddavis@redeemerschoolpensacola.org</u>

<u>Financial Secretary:</u> Sherry Hulien E-mail: shulien@redeemerschoolpensacola.org







\*\*



# **MILITARY RECOGNITION EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES**

#### MONTH OF THE MILITARY CHILD

April is the Month of the Military Child, a time to recognize the contributions and sacrifices of military children and their families. In addition to recognizing our military children and making our students aware of the types of sacrifices our military members make, each child is given a dandelion, the official emblem of the military, and a copy of the dandelion poem.

#### **PATRIOT DAY SERVICE**

On September 11th each year, we hold a special service where our elementary students showcase a selection of patriotic songs to honor the courage and sacrifice of the heroes of that day. Each child is encouraged to invite a patriot in their life to join us for the service, followed by a reception that will feature refreshments.

# **RESOURCES AND EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES**

#### **STEP-UP FOR STUDENTS SCHOLARSHIPS**

Dependent children of an active-duty member of the United States Armed Forces are eligible for a private school scholarship, regardless of household income with the Step-Up for Students scholarship. More information: <u>stepupforstudents.com</u>

#### VOLUNTARY PRESCHOOL PROGRAM

Eligible preschool students may our VPK program at no charge. 8:15 am to 11:30 am Step 1: <u>Click Here</u> to obtain a Certificate of Eligibility (COE) Step 2: Fill out a form on our website <u>Click Here</u> Questions? Contact our office (850) 455-0330

# **ANCHORED4LIFE**

<u>The Anchored4Life program is the place where connections happen.</u> It is a peer-to-peer club to connect youth while building transition and resiliency skills. The program provides opportunities for peers to enhance social skills, learn leadership skills, build character, improve self-esteem, and integrate into their community.

New incoming military students are assigned a fellow military peer "buddy" to help support their transition to our school. Learn more <u>Anchored4Life Website</u> Point of Contact: Lena Karp Email: <u>lkarp@redeemerschoolpensacola.org</u>

# **EXCEPTIONAL STUDENT EDUCATION SERVICES**

At Redeemer, we provide academic support tailored to the unique needs of our students. Our team includes resource teachers and tutors who are dedicated to creating personalized accommodation plans for every student. Additionally, we offer speech therapy services as part of our comprehensive support.

## **MENTAL HEALTH ASSISTANCE**

The faculty and staff at Redeemer understand the unique social and emotional challenges that children from military families encounter when transitioning to a new school. Redeemer has two on-call counselors available to speak with students and provide guidance at no cost to our families. If additional help is needed, the students are referred to Lutheran Social Services.