



ADF Aware Program – Defence Member and Family Support

Curriculum adaptations

Here are a few examples of curriculum adaptations that can be implemented to support defence-connected students within your school community

Military History and Social Studies:

- Integrate units or modules on military history, highlighting the contributions and sacrifices of ADF personnel throughout different time periods.
- Explore the cultural and social impact of military service on various communities, both locally and globally.
- Discuss the role of diplomacy, conflict resolution, and international relations to foster an understanding of the broader context of military actions.

Literature and Language Arts:

- Include literature and narratives that depict the experiences of military children and families. This can include books, short stories, or poems that explore the emotional challenges, resilience, and strength displayed by military-connected individuals.
- Encourage students to write personal narratives or creative pieces based on their own experiences, fostering self-expression and understanding.

Mathematics and Geography:

- Incorporate activities that explore the geography of military bases, conflict zones, and regions affected by deployments. This can involve map reading, understanding military infrastructure, and analysing the impact of military operations on local communities.
- Utilize real-world scenarios related to military logistics, budgeting, and resource allocation to provide practical applications of mathematical concepts.

Science and Technology:

- Discuss scientific advancements that have emerged from military research and development, such as innovations in medicine, aerospace, or communications.
- Explore the impact of military operations on the environment and encourage discussions around sustainability, conservation, and responsible use of resources.

Career Exploration:

- Offer career exploration programs that highlight various career paths related to military service, both within and beyond active duty. Invite guest speakers from the military community to share their experiences and insights.
- Provide resources and guidance on accessing defence scholarships, grants, and educational opportunities available to students.

These are just a few examples of how curriculum adaptations can help create a more inclusive learning environment that acknowledges and celebrates the unique experiences of defence-connected students. The goal is to foster understanding, empathy, and support for ADF families within the school community.

