



Wounded Warrior Family Newsletter

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Resources for Military Children

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recommended that you preview the program before viewing with your child.

Websites:

Families OverComing Under Stress (FOCUS) bolsters communication and coping skills for families impact-



ed by multiple deployments and the visible and invisible wounds of war. It addresses the family as a whole, taking into account the military support systems at their fingertips. The intervention component of FOCUS allows families to undergo eight to

10 individual training sessions. **FOCUS World** is an interactive, online version of the in-person component of FOCUS. It offers educational activities for families and a private place for parents and kids to chat online.

In January, **Military Kids Connect** was launched by the Department of Defense for kids of all ages and in all stages of the deployment cycle to connect and learn valuable coping skills. Military Kids Connect has five resource sections for different audiences: kids (aged six to eight years), tweens (aged nine to 12 years), teens (aged 13 to 17 years), teachers, and parents. The parent and teacher sections contain information about how kids at different ages react to deployment. The child, tween, and teen sections contain interactive resources and videos describing each phase of deployment. There also is a social network forum where military kids can interact with one another. Content specific to children of wounded warriors also is being developed.

Scholarships and Grants

Our Military Kids provides grants to children of wounded warriors (Guard, Reserve, and active duty) for sports, fine arts, camps, and academic tutoring programs. The organization recognizes that such activities help nurture and sustain the children during a parent's lengthy recovery and/or rehabilitation.



To be eligible, the parent must have served in support of either OEF or OIF/OND; and/or be classified as severely injured in one of the six categories designated by the Department of Veteran Affairs.

Folds of Honor Foundation (FHF) provides post-secondary educational scholarships to the spouses and children of service members disabled or killed as a result of their military service. Scholarships subsidize the costs of tuition; school books; fees; room and board; special tools and equipment necessary for coursework; tutoring; and any other expense deemed appropriate and unmet.

Immediate-use Scholarships are awarded to those currently attending or recently accepted into a four-year or two-year degree program. The scholarships must be reapplied for each year. The application deadline is May 31 or November 15 each year.

Future-use Scholarships are awarded to children and invested by the FHF on their behalf. Eligible applicants are infants up to, and including, students enrolled in the eighth grade. The application deadline is May 31 each year.

Learn about eligibility and how to apply.



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