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DoDEA Educational Partnership Awards \$934,000 Grant to FBISD

Flour Bluff I.S.D. received a \$934,000 grant from The Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) Educational Partnership. The school district serves students whose parents are assigned to Naval Air Station Corpus Christi.

“The Department of Defense is strongly committed to ensuring that the children of military families receive an excellent education that prepares them for successful careers and to be active contributors to their communities and the nation,” said Marilee Fitzgerald, DoDEA Acting Director. “Our partnerships with public schools serving military-connected families are an important part of that commitment.”

The Educational Partnership Grant Program is designed to ease transition of children from military families from attendance in DoDEA schools to attendance in public schools. “This is a wonderful opportunity for Flour Bluff schools to partner with the DoDEA. When our military students move in the district we will have an employee dedicated to assist families and to make their transition as smooth as possible” says Dr. Julie Carbajal, Superintendent of Flour Bluff schools. To be eligible for participation in the grant, the district must have an active military-connected student population of 5% or more, with a population of 15% or more military-connected students at the school level.

The grant will fund a program to increase the rigor of math and science instruction from prekindergarten through grade eight through targeted professional development to improve teacher’s mathematics and science knowledge and to create a deeper understanding of the concepts and skills needed to prepare students for high school, college and careers. Specifically the project will provide in-class coaching, peer observations and tools for facilitating structured conversations.

All grants focus on enhancing student learning opportunities, student achievement, and educator professional development at military-connected schools. Some grants also have a counseling component that focuses on easing the challenges that military students face due to transitions and deployments.