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Service children's progression to FE and HE: Challenges and opportunities for schools

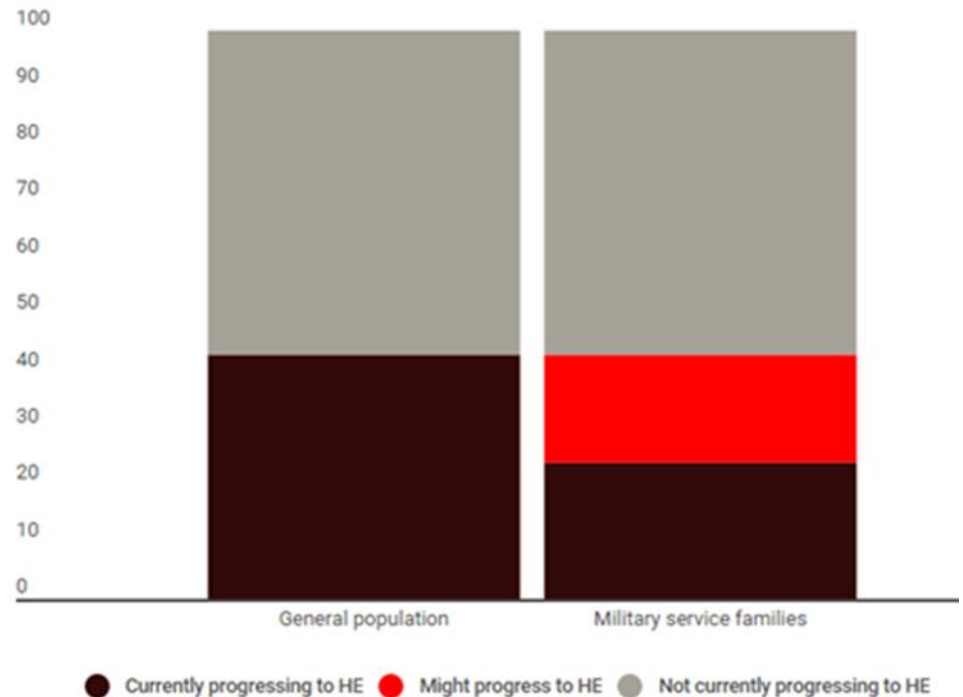
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What makes service children
great potential HE students?

The challenge

Around 4 in 10 children from military families who have the ability to go to university do not do so*.



* McCullouch and Hall, 2016, Further and Higher Progression for Service Children, University of Winchester

The HE sector context

- c. £725 million expenditure on access, success and progression*

- New OFFA guidance includes:

‘Children from military families where they face specific issues that might affect their access to higher education.’

*OFFA 2015

Predicted to rise to £750.9 million in the academic year 2019-20

The SCiP Alliance seeks to:



Understand



Act



Lead

Champion the progression of the children of military personnel, so that they can make informed and confident transitions through further and higher education into thriving adult lives and careers.



The SCiP Alliance provides

- A UK-wide strategy for service children's progression through further and higher education into thriving lives and careers
- A research and effective practice hub
- An online hub of information, contacts and resources
- A voice for service children and those supporting their progression

Creative Forces day:

For pupils from military service families in Hampshire

Years 7-10
Wednesday 26 April 2017
9.45am - 2.30pm

Years 4-6
Friday 28 April 2017
9.45am - 2.30pm

Venue
The Strips building
University of Winchester
King Alfred Campus

For pupils:

- Chat to university students, find out what it's like at university and talk to lots of other people from service families.
- Give Hampshire's teachers your top tips for supporting service children.

For teachers:

- CPD session and advice from Hampshire County Council.
- Swap experiences with other professionals supporting service children.

Contact Katherine Lawrence@winchester.ac.uk to apply or for further information go to www.winchester.ac.uk/militarychilded



WINDOW ON HE
Keeping university in sight

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Service Children's Progression
ALLIANCE

Bespoke outreach

Aspirational days creating links between children and schools

Student ambassadors from service background

The University of Winchester and Bath Spa University working with Hampshire County Council / North Yorks County Council: teacher CPD

CREATIVE FORCES DAY
FRIDAY 18 NOVEMBER 2016
09:30 - 14:30
BATH SPA UNIVERSITY

We would like to invite both staff and students from your school to attend this one day event.

The day aims to share best practice of how we can support children from military families, and to improve their aspirations for and awareness of further and higher education.

Each school can bring up to ten Year 7 and/or Year 8 students and three members of staff.

Please contact Laura Emptage on 01225 876184 or l.emptage@bathspa.ac.uk for more details and to book onto the day.

We look forward to hearing from you,
Bath Spa University, Widening Participation Office.



Children: 'Listening to 'grown up' service children talking about their experiences'

Teachers: 'New ideas to take back to school'

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Service children speak about the support they receive and need in school Featured

Service children's top tips for schools


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Service children's top tips for schools Featured

'What schools do well and what we would like' as reported by groups of children to their teachers at the end of a workshop with student ambassadors


[Creative Forces top tips April 2017](#)



Personal statements: help students from service families make the most of their strengths

Context, quotes and case studies to support and scaffold students writing personal statements or CVs

[Student case studies and 'Make the most of your Assets' pack](#)



An Invisible Man

A play and workshop for secondary pupils commissioned by North Yorkshire County Council, now touring the UK

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Events

All audience types

Upcoming events



Building Bridges

28th June 2017
 Service Children's Progression




SCISS South East conference

13th September 2017


Past events



2016 research found:

- Service children attain at GCSE but are disadvantaged in their progression to HE
- Mobility and deployment have an impact academically and pastorally
- Decision making at 16 and 18 is affected by:
 - Higher likelihood of caring responsibilities and greater awareness
 - Complexities of mobility and reduced access to CEA, SCE education and SPP post-16
 - Delays in record transfer for mobile children

It also found

- Children who are:
 - Happy
 - Contented
 - Self-possessed
 - Open-minded
 - Articulate
 - Proud
 - Determined

Research Group working to:

- Pursue accurate records of the number of service children, their attainment and their progression to Further and Higher Education
- Understand factors influencing decisions
- Determine whether there is a particular target group for action

Practice group working to:

- Share best practice
- Create a UK wide network
- Encourage and support more universities to offer outreach to schools with service children and include service children in their outreach targets.
- Make sure the outputs from the research group are applied to practice

Discussion

How can the SCiP Alliance best facilitate a range of regional cooperation?

If the Alliance were to organise a bespoke event for school staff what would be useful?

How can the SCiP Alliance support you?

What would you like to see on the online hub?