The MCEC Elementary Student 2 Student™ (eS2S™) is a program designed to increase awareness of the challenges military children face while addressing school transitions and concerns impacting mobile elementary school students. Under faculty direction and unique school culture, students emerge as peer leaders.

"eS2S has enhanced the way Cedar Valley welcomes and receives new students to the campus. Students are empowered to serve as ambassadors, and new students instantly find a friend on their very first day."

Janice Peronto, Principal

Learning Outcomes:

- Address the challenges faced by students as they transition in or out of school
- Identify and apply four key issues of transitioning students: academics, finding the way, relationships, and acceptance
- Recognize life stage changes, childhood stressors, and the additional stressors military-connected children face
- Create a customized school blueprint that addresses the four key issues of transitioning students along with leadership and service

Significant Learning Increases

Workshop participants increased their knowledge on the needs of military-connected children on a five-point scale from a "Basic" level of understanding to an "Extensive" level of understanding.

- Extensive
- Advanced
- Basic
- Limited
- Non-existent
Opportunities for all students to gain leadership experience.

Professional and Personal Impact

We are very pleased with the impact eS2S is making at our school. Students connect right away and there is ease in their transition to a new school (even one as big as ours). My favorite part as a school leader is seeing our students be leaders for each other. Students serving students is a beautiful thing!

Carrie Parker, Principal

Survey Participant Role

Military spouse/parent
Civilian employee
University representative
Community representative
Social worker/psychologist
Technology personnel
Front office staff
Paraprofessional/aide
School nurse
School teacher
School counselor
School administrator

Participants reported:
Course content, materials, and learning activities aligned with the learning outcomes.
I have a clear understanding of my role in supporting eS2S and next steps in establishing an eS2S.
I would recommend this course to others who work with military children.
This course has better prepared me to support military children and their families.

For more information about eS2S, please contact:
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or visit www.MilitaryChild.org/parents-and-students/programs/student-2-student

The Military Child Education Coalition (MCEC) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, worldwide organization founded in 1998 to ensure quality educational opportunities for America's military-connected children. Mobility, family separation, and transition impact the children of our nation's service members and veterans. MCEC supports them by conducting research and developing resources to meet their needs.

100% Acceptance!

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