

# THE JOURNEY OF THE MILITARY CHILD

### 2022 PRE-SUMMIT PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Learning from subject matter experts and networking with your peers from around the globe is easier than ever with the 2022 MGS Pre-Summit Professional Development! These signature professional learning opportunities are designed to bring together experts and practitioners that will inspire and equip you with the skills and strategies you need to lead with confidence. Additionally, you won't want to miss this opportunity to connect with like-minded professionals who are committed to serving military-connected students.

\*All sessions are 3 hours long and eligible for continuing education credit.

## **MONDAY, JULY 18, 2022**

2022 PRE-SUMMIT PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CATALOG

### SESSION 1 Preparing Communities to Support Military-Connected Youth: Lessons Learned from the Field

Military families play a critical role in the strength of our nation's military. Fostering the mental well-being and resilience of family members, including children, is essential for the military to remain mission ready. The goals of this pre-meeting session are to hear from DoD leaders, academic experts, and military family representatives to learn about coordinated frameworks for supporting child and youth well-being and to share models of excellence for meaningful collaborations to support these initiatives. Access to educational and family-based resources will be provided.

Presented by: The National Child Traumatic Stress Network (NCTSN)

#### SESSION 2 Gone is gone: Supporting Military-Connected Children During Parental Absence

Every military family will experience times when the Service Member will be away. Strong communication and a web of support of other caring adults is essential to help children adapt and tackle the multitude of challenges that can occur when a parent is gone. This session will provide professionals strategies to help military-connected students navigate parental absence.

#### SESSION 3 Holistic Approach to Overall Child Well-Being

A Holistic Approach to Overall Child Well-being ensures students feel safe, engaged, supported, and challenged. The focus will be on the intersect of early childhood, mental health, education, and developmental sciences. The goal of this session is to learn about the Whole-Child approach, to learn transformational education strategies, and to learn about meaningful collaborations within the education and communities who support military-connected students. The Whole-child approach is personalized, empowering, culturally affirming, transformative and restorative in practice.

#### SESSION 4 Military-Connected Youth in Caregiver Roles

Children who are serving in caregiver roles for Service Members are a very unique set of military-connected students. A presentation on the academic and social-emotional challenges they face and how youth serving professionals can support these students will be presented followed by a panelist discussion with experts in the field.

\*All sessions are 3 hours. Morning (8-11am) & afternoon (1-4pm) times available for all sessions. Lunch not provided. Registration for the MCEC Global Summit does NOT included Pre-Summit Professional Development sessions. Pre-Summit Professional Development sessions will not be offered virtually.

#### REGISTRATION FEES

REGISTRATION OPTIONS AND PRICING FOR IN-PERSON ATTENDEES:

\$60 Morning Pre-Summit Professional Development [8-11:15am]

\$60 Afternoon Pre-Summit Professional Development [1-4:15pm]

\$100 Morning & Afternoon Pre- Summit Professional Development [8am-4:15pm]

Pre-Seminar Professional Development discounts available with purchase of in-person OMGS registration

**EARLY REGISTRATION** 

February — March 2022

\$30 Choice of **one half day** (Morning *or* Afternoon) Pre-Summit Session

\$50 Choice of one Pre-Summit Morning **and** one Afternoon Session

CELEBRATING THE MONTH OF THE MILITARY CHILD

April 2022

\$45 Choice of **one half day** (Morning *or* Afternoon) Pre-Summit Session

\$75 Choice of one Pre-Summit Morning and one Afternoon Session

