



Defence School Mentor

A significant number of the students attending our **One+** Campus come from families whose mother and/or father are employed by the Australian Defence Forces (ADF).

Our Campus has a **Defence School Mentor** who is available to assist our students and Defence Force families with information and support.

Young people respond differently to relocation and change with some making a comfortable transition into the new school whilst others may experience difficulties. Social and emotional factors such as changes in behaviour, loss of self esteem and diminished academic performance may become apparent.

To assist these young people in their transition to a new school , the Defence School Mentor Defence works with families from Pedare Christian College, Gleeson College and Golden Grove High School in order to:

- Support and assist young people with integration into their school community and assist in developing a sense of belonging
- Attend to the welcoming and well-being of students/families
- Be a contact to parents of mobile ADF students in the school
- Raise on-going awareness of mobility issues facing students
- Assist students to build on their self-confidence and resilience with their day-to-day friendships and school activities
- Explore opportunities and options provided for students by the ADF such as tutoring
- assist with student achievement when they transition from one state to another
- Support students when a Defence parent is on long term deployment, or on training/exercise
- Enhance the relationship between the school and their Defence community

To contact the **Defence School Mentor** call via any of the schools:

Gleeson College
82826600

Golden Grove High School
82826640

Pedare Christian College
8280 1700