

Air University/Maxwell AFB Public K-12 Education 2021-25 Strategic Plan



"Great things are done by a series of small things brought together" – Vincent Van Gogh

Mission. Identify, recommend, and implement ways to improve public K-12 educational options for military-connected children in the River Region

Vision. The quality of public K-12 educational options in the River Region becomes an incentive to seek and/or accept an assignment at Air University or other units located on Maxwell-Gunter AFB

Goal 1. Increase eligibility for Maxwell Elementary/Middle School (MEMS)

- *Obj. 1.1.* Establish eligibility for the children of Active Duty personnel residing off base to attend MEMS, to increase quality school options
- *Obj. 1.2.* Implement expanded eligibility to MEMS equitably, to increase military readiness
- **Obj. 1.3.** Institutionalize on base K-12 educational opportunities, to maximize high-quality options
- **Goal 2.** Improve communication with Airmen and spouses about quality public K-12 educational options in the River Region
 - *Obj. 2.1.* Change the narrative about public K-12 in the River Region, so Airmen and spouses associate Maxwell-Gunter AFB with quality education
 - *Obj. 2.2.* Inform in-bound and assigned personnel and spouses of quality K-12 educational options, to help them choose acceptable pathways

Goal 3. Deepen collaborative relationships with key stakeholders and partners

- *Obj. 3.1.* Regularize communication and collaboration with local public school districts, to identify and pursue shared educational priorities
- *Obj.* 3.2. Strengthen relationships with local, state and national stakeholders, to expand support of shared educational priorities

Goal 4. Expand off-base public K-12 educational options for military-connected children

- **Obj. 4.1.** Standardize out-of-district enrollment policies, to make quality educational options more seamless
- *Obj. 4.2. Modify varsity eligibility for the children of off-base residents attending school out-of-district, to avoid having to choose*
- *Obj. 4.3.* Improve support for students with special education needs, to enhance their school experiences
- **Obj. 4.4.** Reduce barriers to magnet school applications, to maximize military-connected students' ability to attend
- *Obj. 4.5.* Facilitate additional social/emotional learning (SEL) resources for adoption by local public schools, to boost wellbeing and performance
- *Obj.* 4.6. Support community-driven STEM education efforts, to increase delivery of top-notch curriculum in local school districts