

Defence School Mentor Program (DSMP)

2026–27 FY Application Form

Funding Period: 01 July 2026 – 30 June 2027 only

Applications Open: 2 March 2026

Applications Close: 27 March 2026

Please read guidelines carefully.

A. School Information

1. **School name:**
2. **Australian Business Number (ABN):**
3. **School address**
 - a. Street
 - b. City
 - c. State
 - d. Postcode
4. **School Contact Information**
 - a. Phone
 - b. Preferred school email address
5. **Principal's Details**
 - a. Name
 - b. Phone
 - c. Email
6. **Is the School is applying as a part of a Cluster arrangement?**
 - a. No (*proceed to Question 7*)
 - b. Yes

If Yes, please identify the 'Lead School': _____

B. Eligibility

7. Schooling system

- a. Government (*public*)
- b. Non-government (*private, independent or catholic schools*)

8. School type (*Please select one*)

- a. **Primary**
- b. **Secondary**/Senior School
- c. **Middle School**
- d. **Combined** (i.e. *Prep/Foundation/Kindergarten/Reception – Year 12*)

9. Does your school enrol children of current serving ADF (Navy, Army, Air Force) members?

- a. Yes
- b. No

C. Application criteria

Building school capacity

10. Include the schools plan for how DSMP funding will be used to build the schools capacity to support students of ADF families	Expected time commitment per week

Connect students of ADF families with in-school wellbeing supports

11. Please advise the wellbeing supports currently available to all students and families within the school (please indicate all that apply)

- Whole of school wellbeing program
- School GP
- School counsellor
- School psychologist
- School social worker
- School chaplain or Wellbeing Officer (National Student Wellbeing Program)
- Student wellbeing officer
- Guidance counsellor/officer
- School nurse
- Pastoral care teacher/s
- Other (*please specify*)

12. Include the schools plan for how DSMP funding will be used to connect students of ADF families with in-school wellbeing supports	Expected time commitment per week

Facilitate opportunities for inclusion and relationship building within the school community

13. Include the schools plan for how DSMP funding will be used to facilitate opportunities for students of ADF families to connect with others in the school community	Expected time commitment per week

D: Additional information

14. Number of students identified from currently-serving ADF families

15. Total school student population

16. If successful, how will the DSM be remunerated for 2026–27 FY?

(Please note: Funding provided for wages under DSMP is benchmarked against the employment award, classification and descriptor listed in Appendix A of the DSMP Guidelines 2026-27.

- a. Award:
- b. Classification:
- c. Level:
- d. Hourly rate of pay (including on-costs):
(On-costs include leave loading, superannuation)

17. Additional information the school would like to provide

Section 8: Acknowledgement and Declaration

I, the undersigned, certify that the information provided in this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

I acknowledge that any funding received must be used solely for the purposes outlined in the DSMP Guidelines 2026-27 and the letter of agreement.

I have read and understood the DSMP Guidelines 2026-27.

I acknowledge that the school must comply with all state and territory child safety legislation, including Working with Children / Vulnerable People checks, mandatory training and reporting requirements.

Principal's Signature: _____

Date: _____