

Finding Your Future in the *Military*

Ms. Schiro, GK Counselor (M-Z)

Cogs Connection © 20 OCT 2017

A photograph of a forest path covered in fallen leaves and pine needles. A large red diamond is overlaid in the center, containing white text. The path leads into a wooded area with trees showing autumn foliage.

There are many
post-secondary paths
from which to chose.

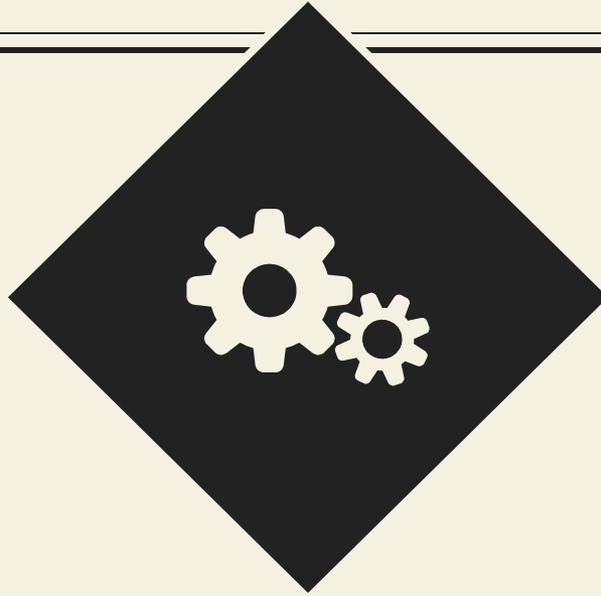
Which one is
right for you?

mil·i·tar·y (n)

The Armed Forces of a country; defends the U.S. and U.S. interests.

- Rescue operations
- Medical assistance in impoverished areas
- Food & humanitarian relief
- Security at embassies and other locations
- Policing in volatile areas
- Natural disaster relief
- Law enforcement
- Piracy and drug interdiction





BRANCHES

The U.S. Armed Forces are composed of five branches: Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force, and Coast Guard.

The United States Military

ARMY

Generally moves into an area, secures it, and instills order and values before it leaves. It also guards U.S. installations and properties throughout the world.

MARINE CORPS

U.S.' rapid-reaction force. They are trained to fight by sea and land, and usually are the first "boots on the ground."

NAVY

Secures and protects the oceans around the world to create peace and stability, making the seas safe for travel and trade. Accomplishes missions by sea, sometimes air..

COAST GUARD

Mission is primarily with domestic waterways. The Coast Guard does rescues, law enforcement, drug prevention, and clears waterways.

AIR FORCE

The nation's source of air and space power. The primary mission of the USAF is to fly planes, helicopters, and satellites.

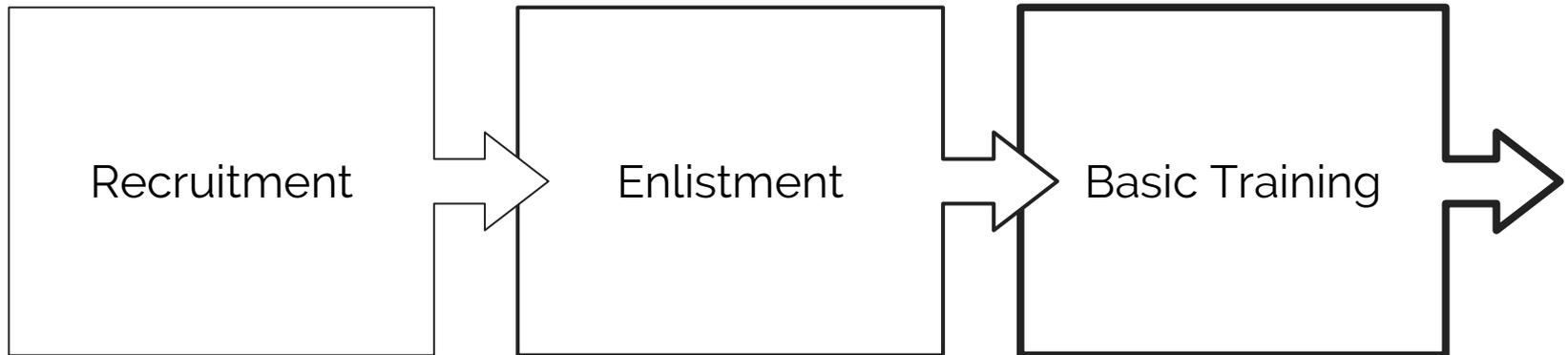


“

“I’m considering my options for my life after high school. What is the process of joining the military like?”
–High School Student



The Process of Joining the Military



**Successful Completion = Official
Member of the U.S Armed Forces**

Recruitment

- Each branch has a local recruiter
 - Opportunity to ask questions
 - Compare branches
 - Specific criteria for acceptance
- The recruiter will determine if you are a good candidate
 - Progress towards graduation in high school
 - Character check
- Your “go-to” person for a military career
 - Support through the process
 - Paperwork

Enlistment

- Not as simple as “signing on the bottom line”
- Military Entrance Processing Station (MEPS)
 - ASVAB
 - Pass physical and medical examinations
 - Meet with counselor; select career path
 - Take Oath of Enlistment (swear-in)
- After Meps
 - Direct ship
 - Delayed Entry Program (DEP)
 - Go through MEPS summer before senior year

Basic Training





*“Why would joining the military be
the right choice for me?”*

-High School Student



People join the military for a number of reasons...

- Develop certain skills and characteristics
- Serve your country
- Make the military a career
- College benefits
- Learn a trade
- Travel the world



...but not everyone joins in the same way.

- ROTC program
- Go to school first; join as officer later
- Join as a reservist instead of active duty
- Choose the military after a career



Resources

- Entrance Requirements
 - <https://todaysmilitary.com/joining/entrance-requirements>
- Joining the Military and What to Expect
 - FOR YOUR PARENTS:
https://cdn.todaysmilitary.com/WhatToExpect_Parents_2017.pdf
 - FOR YOU:
https://cdn.todaysmilitary.com/WhatToExpect_Educators_2017.pdf
- Finding the Right Job in the Military
 - https://cdn.todaysmilitary.com/StepByStep_Parents.pdf
- Jobs in the Military
 - https://cdn.todaysmilitary.com/JobsinTM_Educators_171009.pdf

Thanks!

ANY QUESTIONS?



Sign up to speak to your counselor if you feel the military is
the right choice for you!