

Seasons of My Military Student ★ Book Club

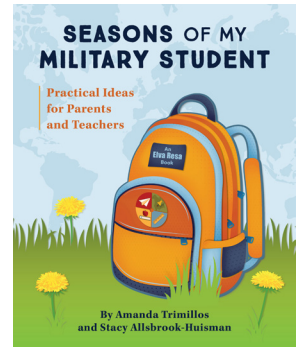
GETTING STARTED GUIDE

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GUIDELINES FOR DISCUSSION GROUPS

Seasons of My Military Student: Practical Ideas for Parents and Teachers helps parents and teachers work together to support military-connected students as they experience Seasons of Transition™ and the storms that may arise in military life.

Book clubs and discussion groups are a valuable way to share helpful information and build networks of support for students. Here are a few suggestions for setting up your discussion group.



Military-connected students face a cycle of challenges, such as frequent moves and deployments. *Seasons of My Military Student* helps parents and teachers:

- Understand the Seasons of Transition™ and the storms of military life that impact a student's education
- Employ key provisions of the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children
- Create an effective portable Seasons Education Binder
- Work together as a team to support a student from grade to grade and school to school

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LEADER PREPARATION: Read *Seasons of My Military Student* and the discussion guide before beginning, so you can answer questions about the subject matter. Knowing the content will also allow you to make informed decisions about group size, meeting locations, and discussion format.

PARTICIPANTS AND LOCATION: The material in this book is applicable to parents, educators, and other adults active in military-connected students' lives. Select a place to meet in a school or home setting that will accommodate everyone comfortably, such as a classroom, conference room, or around a kitchen table.

MATERIALS: Each participant should have a copy of *Seasons of My Military Student*, the discussion guide, and writing material for taking notes. As a leader, recommend that all participants read the book ahead of time, if possible.

FREQUENCY: This guide can be adapted for four weekly meetings or a half-day workshop. Allow about an hour for each session.

PERSONAL INTRODUCTIONS: Before you begin discussion, allow time for everyone to introduce themselves and share the roles they fulfill in support of military-connected students.

DISCUSSIONS: The suggested questions in the Seasons Discussion Guide offer a range of potential topics for your group. Select a few key questions as conversation starters for each session. Giving everyone an opportunity to share ideas, experience, or questions can be more valuable than covering all questions. Forming supportive student-advocacy teams, increasing your collective awareness of the Seasons of Transition™, and sharing strategies you can employ right away to support the military-connected students in your community are valuable outcomes of your discussions.

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