



Modern Issues Impacting Military Families

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"I work full time, I am a black mother of two black boys, and my husband is an Active Duty Officer. We will move again in less than a month to a new neighborhood. I am more fearful than ever about whether the neighborhood will accept my boys and my family. Due to COVID, we were unable to visit the neighborhood or to see its makeup.

I am fearful about whether my son's new school will treat him differently because he is a smart kid, ahead of his grade level. But, he is black, so will they lump him in with the poor kids, who are not performing well at that school. These are always worries when we move. But, COVID and the civil unrest have exponentially compounded these concerns. "

- Military Parent, Blue Star Families

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