Congratulations on your PCS to NS Mayport!
We have numerous choices for education in Duval County. We have public, magnet, charter and private schools all within a few miles from the Naval Station.

If you live in On Base Housing (Bennett Shores East and West) the elementary school is
Anchor Academy (formerly Joseph Finegan Elementary) PK-5 currently has 350 students, 2 full time MFLCs, Anchored 4 Life Program, A rated by FLDOE)
555 WONDERWOOD DR ATLANTIC BEACH, FL 32233-4699
Phone: 904-247-5996 http://dcps.duvalschools.org/finegan

If you choose to live in Off-Base Military Housing, (Marsh Cove and Ribault Bay) the elementary school is
Mayport Elementary Coastal Sciences Academy (Mayport is also a magnet school you may apply for) (PK-5, currently 590 students, 1 full time MFLC, Anchored 4 Life Program. B rated by FLDOE)
2753 SHANGRILA DR ATLANTIC BEACH, FL 32233-2999
Phone: 904-247-5988 http://dcps.duvalschools.org/mayport

On and Off Base Housing Middle School Is -
Mayport Coastal Sciences Middle School (6-8th grade, currently 790 students, 1 full time MFLC, A rated by FLDOE)
2600 Mayport Rd. Atlantic Beach, FL 32233-2804
Phone: 904-247-5977 http://www.duvalschools.org/mayportmiddle

High School -Duncan U. Fletcher High School (9-12th grade, currently 2,100 students, 1 full time MFLC, offers
Cambridge/AICE- more information at High School Acceleration Programs below, A rated by FLDOE)
700 Seagate Ave. NEPTUNE BEACH, FL 32266-3505
Phone: 904-247-5905 http://www.duvalschools.org/fhs
If you are considering living in non-military housing here is the link to look up assigned school by home address.
http://www.myschoollocation.com/duvalcountypublicschools/

School Choice DCPS
Duval County Public Schools has magnet schools (transportation provided) and Special Transfer Option schools (parents must provide transportation) Here is the website:
http://dcps.duvalschools.org/Domain/4417
To explore these schools I suggest visiting the School Choice Expo. School booths/videos and tours available
https://dcps22.mapyourshoowl.com/8_0/#/
The DCPS School Choice Page is here: https://dcps.duvalschools.org/Page/46
DCPS School choice reference guide 2022-2023
Contact School Choice Office for questions about application and space available.
MilitaryTransferOption@Duvalschools.org
Jacqueline Kelley – Director School Choice (904) 390 -2650 phone

High School Acceleration Programs Duval County Public Schools
https://dcps.duvalschools.org/domain/4396
When looking for data on local schools use this web site http://americaseducationguide.com/

If your child has an IEP and you will use a Duval County Public School, I recommend that you send to the district for placement review. ESE_Placement@duvalschools.org 904-348-7760

To begin the enrollment process for DCPS and set up a FOCUS account to apply for a choice school visit:
https://dcps.duvalschools.org/Page/30616
School Entry Health Examination Information
School Immunization Requirements

Living in surrounding counties - Some families choose to live in St. John's or Nassau, which can be quite a commute with traffic. In these counties, your child attends the school in your attendance area.
St Johns County Schools - http://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/ Nassau County Schools https://www.nassau.k12.fl.us/

Private Schools
If interested, I can provide a list of private schools around the station. There are scholarships available for ALL children of active duty military. Step Up for Students https://www.stepupforstudents.org/

There are also several popular charter schools in the area. (publicly funded/ no tuition)
Here are some that I have heard positive feedback from families.
Duval Charter at Coastal http://www.coastalcharter.org/
IDEA (Opening in AUG 2022) https://ideapublicschools.org/regions/jacksonville/
River City Science Academy http://rivercityscience.org/
Seaside Charter http://www.seasidecharter.org/
Jacksonville Classical Academy https://www.jaxclassical.org/index.jsp
List of all charter schools in Duval County https://dcps.duvalschools.org/domain/5451

As you narrow down your choices, I highly recommend touring the schools that peek your interest.

VPK – Voluntary Pre Kindergarten If your child turned 4 by September 01 he/she qualifies for Florida's Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten Program. You must request a certificate of eligibility.
http://www.elcduval.org/voluntary-pre-k/
To apply for VPK at a Duval Public School site https://dcps.duvalschools.org/Page/9456

Youth Activities Center
https://www.navymwrmayport.com/programs/44f92e71-46c2-453d-af51-a2418d515ba2
To keep up with base events on Facebook I suggest you follow -
Naval Station Mayport
MWR Mayport

Transition Assistance
What are some things that you can do to assist children with the transition process?
Here are some great articles/resources to assist.
https://www.militaryonesource.mil/-/making-the-move-easier-for-military-kids
Podcast - Making the Move Easier for Your Children https://www.militaryonesource.mil/-/making-the-move-easier-for-your-children
FOCUS on the GO! (for your little one)
https://focusproject.org/focus-world
Military Child Education Coalition
https://www.militarychild.org/resources?category=1&audience=&topic=&format=
Webinars on Transition (and other topics) https://www.militarychild.org/webinars

I look forward to working with your family!
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