

MILITARY INTERSTATE
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COMMISSION

# Annual MIC3 Tennessee State Council Meeting

Thursday, April 29, 2021 - Noon Central - Webinar

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- 1. Welcome Deanna McLaughlin
- 2. Call the Meeting to Order Deanna McLaughlin
- 3. Roll Call/Verify Quorum Nathan James
- 4. Vote to authorize a recording of the meeting to serve as the minutes Nathan James
- 5. State Council Vacancies/Changes
  - A representative of the Legislative Branch Sen.
     Dolores Gresham retired
  - A representative of the Executive Branch -Commissioner of Veterans Affairs Courtney Rogers resigned
  - COL Jeremy Bell PCSing from the position of Fort Campbell Garrison Commander on or around June 28, 2021. His replacement will be COL Andrew Jordan. COL Jordan has agreed to join our State Council.
  - CAPT Al Ross is retiring from the Navy in June 2021, CAPT Michael Mosbruger will be the next Commanding Officer of Naval Support Activity Mid-South. The DOD has already sent him his State Council appointment paperwork.

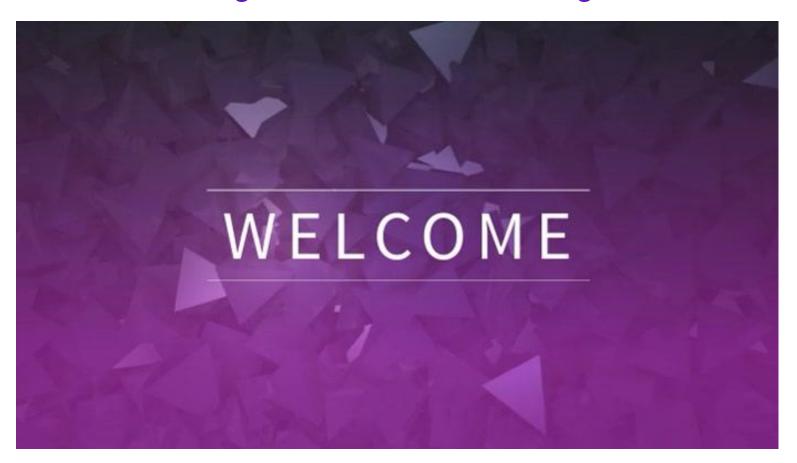
- 6. Introduction of New State Council Members Deanna McLaughlin
  - Wayne Brown, Marketing & Communications for the Tennessee Parent Teacher Association (TPTA)
  - CW4 Lance Jenkins, State Family Programs
     Director, Deputy Director J9, JFHQ-TN
  - Jeff Mayo, Director of Schools, Arlington Community Schools
  - Lee Smith, Community Support Coordinator and Violence Prevention, Arnold Air Force Base
- 7. Introduction of School Liaison Officers Deanna McLaughlin
  - Jennifer Lundy, Millington Naval Air Station
  - Tayranette Johnson Williams, Fort Campbell, Kentucky
  - Melissa Silva, Fort Campbell, Kentucky
- 8. Purpose Deanna McLaughlin
- 9. Election of State Council Officers Deanna McLaughlin
  - Current State Council Chairman Deanna McLaughlin
  - Current State Council Vice Chairman Bernard Childress
  - Current State Council Secretary Nathan James

# Agenda (cont.)

- 10. Purple Star Schools Award Update Deb Munis
  - o Inaugural Schools 2020
    - Millington Central High School, Millington, Tennessee
    - ii. Millington Middle School, Millington, Tennessee
    - iii. Ringgold Elementary School, Clarksville, Tennessee
    - iv. Rossview Middle School, Clarksville, Tennessee
    - v. Rossview High School, Clarksville, Tennessee
    - vi. Sequatchie Middle School, Dunlap, Tennessee
    - vii. Approve 2021 Applications
- 11. MIC3 Tennessee Training Update Deb Munis
- 12. Review of 2019/2020 Tennessee Hot Issues Deanna McLaughlin
  - AUSA Book Donation
  - COVID-19 and PCS issues
  - Class Ranking for High School Seniors
  - o SB0387 Higher Education
  - Update on Bills from 2019/2020

- 13. Tennessee Military-Connected Children Stats Deanna McLaughlin
- 14. National Guard and Reserve Discussion Deanna McLaughlin
- 15. Review of SBE MIC3 Tennessee Site Nathan James
- 16. MIC3 Resources Deanna McLaughlin
- 17. Important Links Deanna McLaughlin
- 18. Purple Up Highlights Deanna McLaughlin
- 19. Public Comments Deanna McLaughlin
- 20. Open Discussion Deanna McLaughlin
- 21. Adjourn Deanna McLaughlin

## Welcome/Call Meeting to Order - Deanna McLaughlin



## Roll Call/Verify Quorum - Nathan James

#### Quorum = 8 State Council Members

- 1. Deanna McLaughlin, Tennessee Commissioner, State Council Chairman
- 2. Bernard Childress, Executive Director, Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association, State Council Vice-Chairman
- Nathan James, Director of Legislative Affairs, Tennessee State Board of Education, State Council Secretary
- 4. COL Jeremy Bell, USA Garrison Commander, Fort Campbell, Kentucky
- 5. Wayne Brown, Marketing & Communications, Tennessee Parent Teacher Assn. (PTA)
- 6. Dr. John Combs, Superintendent, Tipton County Schools
- 7. James Bo Griffin, Director of Schools, Millington Municipal Schools
- 8. Dr. Ted Horrell, Superintendent, Lakeland School System
- 9. Millard House, Director of Schools, Clarksville-Montgomery County Schools
- 10. CW4 Lance Jenkins, State Family Programs Director, Deputy Director J9, JFHQ-TN
- 11. Jeff Mayo, Director of Schools, Arlington Community Schools
- 12. Dr. LaDonna Killen McFall, Director of Schools, Roane County Schools
- 13. Deborah Munis, Military Family Education Liaison
- 14. CAPT Alonza Ross, USN Commanding Officer, Naval Support Activity Mid-South
- 15. Lee Smith, Community Support Coordinator and Violence Prevention, Arnold Air Force Base

# Vote to Authorize a Recording of the Meeting to Serve as the Minutes - Nathan James



## State Council Vacancies/Changes - Deanna McLaughlin

- ★ A representative of the Legislative Branch Sen. Dolores Gresham retired
  - To be appointed by Governor Bill Lee
  - Request submitted by Deanna McLaughlin
- ★ A representative of the Executive Branch Commissioner of Veterans Affairs Courtney Rogers resigned
  - To be appointed by Governor Bill Lee
  - New Commissioner of Veterans Affairs will fill this position
- ★ COL Jeremy Bell PCSing from the position of Fort Campbell Garrison Commander on or around June 28, 2021.
  - His replacement will be COL Andrew Jordan
  - COL Jordan has agreed to join our State Council
  - Comments from COL Bell and/or COL Jordan
- ★ CAPT Al Ross is retiring from the Navy in June 2021
  - CAPT Michael Mosbruger will be the next Commanding Officer of Naval Support Activity Mid-South
  - The DOD has already sent him his State Council appointment paperwork
  - Comments from CAPT Ross and/or CAPT Mosbruger

#### Introduction of New State Council Members - Deanna McLaughlin

#### When introduced please give us a brief biography of yourself.

- ★ Wayne Brown, Marketing & Communications for the Tennessee Parent Teacher Association (TPTA)
- ★ CW4 Lance Jenkins, State Family Programs Director, Deputy Director J9, JFHQ-TN
- ★ Jeff Mayo, Director of Schools, Árlington Community Schools
- ★ Lee Smith, Community Support Coordinator and Violence Prevention, Arnold Air Force Base

#### Other Council Members, When called on please give us a brief biography of yourself.

- ★ Deanna McLaughlin, Tennessee Commissioner, State Council Chairman
- ★ Bernard Childress, Executive Director, Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association, State Council Vice-Chairman
- ★ Nathan James, Director of Legislative Affairs, Tennessee State Board of Education, State Council Secretary
- ★ COL Jerémy Bell, USA Garrison Commander, Fort Campbell, Kentucky
- ★ Dr. John Combs, Superintendent, Tipton County Schools
- ★ James Bo Griffin, Director of Schools, Millington Municipal Schools
- ★ Dr. Ted Horrell, Superintendent, Lakeland School System
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## Introduction of School Liaison Officers - Deanna McLaughlin

School Liaison Officers are civilians who are contracted through each branch of service to provide School Support Services. They help to build partnerships between military families, installations, and schools and act as the Installation's point of contact for all things school related.

#### When introduced please give us a brief biography of yourself.

- ★ Jennifer Lundy, Millington Naval Air Station
  - Phone: (901) 874-5343
  - o Email: jennifer.l.lundy@navy.mil
- ★ Tayranette Johnson Williams, Fort Campbell, Kentucky
  - o Phone: (270) 798-9219
  - o Email: tayranett.johnson-williams.naf@mail.mil
- ★ Melissa Silva, Fort Campbell, Kentucky
  - o Phone: (270) 412-8429
  - Email: melissa.f.silva.naf@mail.mil



## **Introduction of Guests - Deanna McLaughlin**

Please state your name and give us a brief biography of yourself.

★ Guests?



## MIC3 Tennessee's Purpose - Deanna McLaughlin



Pursuant to the terms of the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children, (the Compact"), the Tennessee State Council on Educational Opportunity for Military Children (the "Council") is established to fulfill the objectives of the Compact, through a means of joint cooperative action among the Compacting States: to promote, develop and facilitate a uniform standard that eases the state to state transition of military personnel, their spouses and primarily their children as these children transfer from one state to another and from one school system to another as a direct result of the military parent's frequent reassignments.

## **Election of State Council Members - Deanna McLaughlin**

- ★ The following officers are willing to continue to serve:
  - Current State Council Chairman Deanna McLaughlin
  - Current State Council Vice Chairman Bernard Childress
    - Nominations from the floor?
  - Current State Council Secretary Nathan James
    - Nominations from the floor?

## Purple Star School Award (PSSA) Update - Deb Munis

- ★ Purpose of the Purple Star School Award
- ★ 2020 Inaugural Class
  - Millington Central High School, Millington Tennessee
  - Millington Middle School, Millington Tennessee
  - Ringgold Elementary School, Clarksville Tennessee
  - Rossview Middle School, Clarksville Tennessee
  - Rossview High School, Clarksville Tennessee
  - Sequatchie Middle School, Dunlap Tennessee



## Millington, Tennessee





## Millington Central High School, Millington, Tennessee







## Millington Middle School, Millington, Tennessee





## Ringgold Elementary School, Clarksville, Tennessee





## Rossview Middle School, Clarksville, Tennessee







## Rossview High School, Clarksville, Tennessee







## Sequatchie County Middle School, Dunlap, Tennessee







# Purple Star School Award 2020/2021 Nominees - Deb Munis 18 Schools from Across the State of Tennessee

Blount County Schools (Serving Guard Children, McGhee Tyson Air National Guard Base)

★ Carpenters Elementary

Clarksville-Montgomery County School System (Serving Army & Air Force Children, Fort Campbell)

- **★** Glenellen Elementary
- ★ Hazelwood Elementary
- ★ Kenwood Middle
- ★ Moore Magnet Elementary
- ★ New Providence Middle
- ★ Oakland Elementary
- ★ West Creek Elementary
- ★ West Creek Middle
- ★ West Creek High
- ★ Rossview Elementary
- ★ Woodlawn Elementary



#### Purple Star School Award 2020/2021 Nominees - Deb Munis

Hamblen County Schools (Serving Guard Children, Russellville & Jefferson City, TN)

★ Morristown-Hamblen High East

Lakeland School System (Serving Navy Children, Millington Naval Air Station)

- ★ Lakeland Elementary
- ★ Lakeland Preparatory

Manchester City Schools (Serving Air Force Children - Arnold Air Force Base & Guard Children - Winchester, TN)

★ Westwood Middle

Marion County Schools (Serving Air Force Children, Arnold Air Force Base)

★ Monteagle Elementary

Putnam County Schools (Serving Guard Children - Cookeville, TN)

★ Upperman High



## 2021 Award Nomination Class - Deb Munis

- ★ Questions about any of the nominees?
- ★ Vote to Determine Awardees
  - Motion to Approval all 18 Schools?
- ★ 2021 TN PSSA Awardees recorded
- ★ Next Steps
  - Draft and Send Announcement/Press
     Release to winning schools
  - Schedule PSSA Award Presentation Tour



## Purple Star School Award Continued Efforts - Deb Munis

#### ★ Next Steps

- Notify each of the winning schools (Superintendent, Principal and Point of Contact)
- Set a date for delivery of award materials
  - Shout out and HUGE Thank You to the Tennessee State Board of Education for creating the 2021 banners
- Press Releases/Newspaper announcement sent to designated media as determined by school

#### ★ Future Work

- Determine workshops or conferences where the TN PSSA might be allowed to be presented without a cost
- Begin promoting the PSSA again in August 2021

#### **AUSA Book Donation**

- Several schools and military related organizations in Tennessee were going to receive bins of donated books through AUSA
  - Fort Campbell MWR Received their bins before the book company ran out
  - Fort Campbell AUSA is still trying to make this happen for those of you who signed up last year





- PC Transfer Issues Due Stop Movement Orders
- Several Cases Where Children had Unenrolled from school to PC
  - Solution, "re-enrolled" children in their original school (sending school) since almost every school system was virtual in one capacity or another
- Socialization Issues
  - Posted several resources on the TNMIC3 Facebook Page throughout the year
- One Take Away
  - An effect of COVID-19 school related issued affected ALL CHILDREN, everyone was experiencing the "same" problems

#### Class Ranking

- ★ This continues to be an issue for military children who in their junior and senior years
- ★ National MIC3 does not see this as an issue that strictly affects military children, therefore no action was taken on this topic at the annual business meeting

#### SB0387 - High Education

Education, Higher - As introduced, requires public institutions of higher education to classify a student who is the spouse or dependent child of a service member as an in-state student for tuition purposes, regardless of the spouse's or dependent child's domicile or place of residence. - Amends TCA Title 49.

#### SB0387 by Senator Bill Powers of Montgomery County, Tennessee

**ACTIONS** 

Passed on Second Consideration, refer to Senate Education Committee

DATE

02/10/2021

ACTIONS Introduced, Passed on First Consideration DATE 02/08/2021

ACTIONS
Filed for introduction
DATE
02/03/2021

Bill from 2020 Did Not Make it out of Committee, may be Presented Again During the 2022 Legislative Session

HB1834/SB1580 - High Education by Rep Curtis Johnson & Senator Bill Powers, Montgomery County, TN

Lottery, Scholarships and Programs - As introduced, deletes the requirement that a high school student must be a Tennessee resident for at least one year in order to be eligible to receive a dual enrollment grant. - Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 4.

HB1834 <sub>ACTIONS</sub>	DATE			
Taken off notice for cal in s/c Higher Education Subcommittee of Education Committee	05/26/2020			
Placed on s/c cal Higher Education Subcommittee for 5/26/2020	05/20/2020			
Meeting Canceled	03/17/2020			
Filed for introduction	01/22/2020			

SB1580 ACTIONS				
	DATE			
Action deferred in Senate Education Committee to 12/1/2020	06/03/2020			
Placed on Senate Education Committee calendar for 6/3/2020	05/27/2020			
Action deferred in Senate Education Committee	03/16/2020			

## **Tennessee Military Connected Children Stats**

- Impact Aid by Tennessee School System

  o All Federal Impact Aid payment data is now available to the public at <a href="https://impactaid.ed.gov/reports/">https://impactaid.ed.gov/reports/</a>.

	9	Section 7002		7003(b)(1)					
		Payments for		Basic Support		7003(d)		Total FY20	
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LEA		Fed Property		Payment		CWD		Obligation	
Stewart County Board of Education	\$	186,738.00	\$	-	\$	K-	\$	186,738.00	
Clinton City Schools	\$	_	\$	8,281.94	\$	-	\$	8,281.94	
McKenzie Special School District	\$	-	\$	1,654.58	\$	-	\$	1,654.58	
Fayetteville City Schools	\$	-	\$	3,298.38	\$		\$	3,298.38	
Clarksville-Montgomery County Board of Education	\$	-	\$	682,280.56	\$	162,414.00	\$	844,694.56	
DeKalb Co. Board of Education	\$	155,849.00	\$	=	\$	7 <del></del>	\$	155,849.00	
Clay County Schools	\$	82,813.00	\$	_	\$	72	\$	82,813.00	
Oak Ridge Schools	\$	-	\$	42,932.35	\$	1,974.00	\$	44,906.35	
Union City Board of Education	\$	-	\$	2,501.12	\$		\$	2,501.12	
Unicoi Co. Board of Education	\$	186,278.00	\$	=	\$		\$	186,278.00	
Etowah City School Board	\$	-	\$	3,384.99	\$	72	\$	3,384.99	
Pickett Co. Board of Education	\$	47,644.00	\$	=	\$	~ <u>~</u>	\$	47,644.00	
Hamilton County Department of Education	\$	= = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = =	\$	19,894.05	\$	=	\$	19,894.05	
Lakeland School System	\$	=	\$	8,490.40	\$	3,454.50	\$	11,944.90	
Arlington Community School	\$	Ξ	\$	20,365.44	\$	16,789.50	\$	37,154.94	
Millington Municipal Schools	\$	₹	\$	46,838.48	\$	11,844.00	\$	58,682.48	
							\$	1,695,720.29	

## **Tennessee Military Connected Children Stats**

- $\star$  Number of Guard and Reserve children age 5-18 = 430,990
  - o Data is from the DMDC database, current as of January 2021
- ★ Number of military kids by branch in Tennessee Total all uniformed services in TN = 18,603
  - TN Children (all ages), current as of February 2021 from DMDC
    - $\blacksquare$  Army =14,724
    - Navy =2,418
    - Air Force = 890
    - Marine Corps = 358
    - Coast Guard = 186

## **Tennessee Military Connected Children Stats**

#### ★ Number of Military kids by Tennessee School System

- This data is only available from Impact Aid, not DMDC.
- The following LEAs claimed military impacted children enrollment in FY20 (SY 2018-19), which includes children of active duty and DoD civilians.
  - Arlington Community School = 329 Military impacted students
    - (7% of total student population)
  - Clarksville-Montgomery County Board of Education = 4,966 military impacted students
    - (14% of total student population)
  - Clinton City Schools = 6 military impacted students
    - (1% of total student population)
  - Fayetteville City Schools = 3 military impacted students
    - (0.2% of total student population)
  - Hamilton County Department of Education = 37 military impacted students
    - (.08% of total student population)
  - Lakeland School System = 114 military impacted students
    - (7% of total student population)
  - Millington Municipal Schools = 100 military impacted students
    - (4% of total student population)
  - Oak Ridge Schools = 31 military impacted students
    - (1% of total student population)

#### **Background**

- ★ The compact covers, "active duty members of the uniformed services, including members of the National Guard and Reserve on active duty orders (Title 10)"
- ★ The state of Utah asked the Executive Committee to consider inclusion of dependents of the national guard and reserve under other titles (5, 32, etc.) citing these families move interstate under military orders.
- ★ In 2019, the Executive Committee created the MIC3 National Guard and Reserve Coverage Task Force (NGRTF).
  - Members included:
    - Kathleen Berg, Hawaii Commissioner (Chair)
    - Darcy Benway, Illinois Commissioner
    - Brian Halstead, Nebraska Commissioner
    - Ben Rasmussen, Utah Commissioner
    - Terry Ryals, Alaska Commissioner
    - Hal Stearns, Montana Commissioner
    - Rosemarie Kraeger, Rhode Island Commissioner
- ★ The Task Force's mission: To collect and analyze relevant data in order to recommend whether MIC3 protections for military-connected students already in place for the children of these reserve component service members in Title 10 status should be expanded to cover children of members in other status situations, as well.

#### **Commissioner Action**

Collect the following information on your state:

- Currently, how many National Guard and Reserve service members are residing in your state, under titles (5, 10, 32)
- Currently, how many NGR school-aged dependents between ages 5-18?
- Over the past year, how many NGR families, as well as school aged dependents between ages 5-18, moved interstate under PCS orders? (Remember, the compact is interstate, not intrastate.)

#### **Commissioner Action (cont)**

- ★ Develop the position of your state council.
  - Consult with your state's appointing authority, state council, and other stakeholders.
  - Provide supplemental information
  - Discuss the pros and cons of each course of action.
- ★ Provide a written report to the national office by August 31, 2021, stating the position of your state council. The report should include:
  - which course(s) of action your state council favors and why;
  - any questions/concerns raised (provide supplemental data/documentation).
- ★ The item will be included in the Docket for discussion at the 2021 Annual Business Meeting. Be prepared to discuss and vote on behalf of your state.

#### **Students Covered Under the Compact**

#### Children of the following:

- ★ Active duty members of the uniformed services, including members of the National Guard and Reserve on active duty orders (Title 10)
- ★ Members or veterans who are medically discharged or retired for one year
- ★ Members who died on active duty, for a period of one year after death
- ★ Uniformed members of the Commissioned Corps of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), and United States Public Health Services (USPHS)

#### Students NOT Covered Under the Compact

#### Children of the following:

- ★ Inactive members of the National Guard and Reserves (Not Title 10)
- ★ Members now retired not covered under previous list
- ★ Veterans not covered under previous list
- ★ Other Department of Defense personnel, federal agency civilians and contract employees not defined as active duty
- ★ Members other than the uniformed personnel of NOAA and USPHS

#### **Definitions**

- ★ Title 5 Civilian status. Title 5 positions do not carry a military obligation. They are Government Service civilian positions.
- ★ Title 10 When mobilized (or activated) under Title 10 U.S.C., service members are directed by the president to report for active duty in an official capacity. Service members are activated for federal active-duty military service. When in federal service, Guard personnel typically participate in military operations and are entitled to the same pay, benefits and legal protections as active military members.
  - Title 10 service can include overseas mobilizations
  - o Title 10 orders are for national defense
- ★ Title 32 Activation under Title 32 U.S.C. means that a state's governor has been authorized or directed by the president to mobilize or activate the National Guard in his/her state. Service members perform on active duty under state control, but with pay and benefits provided by the federal government. If the Title 32 orders are for more than 30 days, the military service member may be entitled to some of the same federal benefits as someone activated under Title 10 orders.
  - Title 32 does not include overseas mobilizations
  - Title 32 orders are for natural disasters

#### Commission Discussion in 2019

- ★ At the 2019 Annual Business Meeting, NGRTF Chair, Commissioner Kathleen Berg provided a summary of the second meeting of the NGRTF held on October 23, 2019:
  - Focused on how the state of Utah extended Compact coverage to National Guard and Reserve (NGR) connected families within their state by changing the compact statute.
  - Current data stated there were about 1.5 million military-connected children total, including the NGR but not much supporting members being ordered to move interstate
  - Explained the military is moving toward being more inclusive of the National Guard and Reserve members, regardless of the data.
  - There was a national effort to extend coverage to treat all military families the same.
     Concluded her report by highlighting the states of Kentucky and Arkansas, which have external legislation that extends the provisions of the Compact to additional service related groups (civilian and national guard and reserves).
  - However, Utah amended their state compact statute creating a situation where Utah is out of compliance with the Compact and the other 50 members states.
  - It was requested the NGRTF consider the fiscal impact on member states when making their final recommendation to the Commission. Commissioner Berg agreed that a cost analysis would be conducted.

#### **NGRTF Meetings and Reporting**

- $\star$  In 2019-2020, the NGRTF met six times.
- ★ A preliminary report was submitted to the Executive Committee in May 2020.
- ★ The final report was presented at the 2020 Annual Business Meeting on October 1-2, which included the projected financial impact by state (dues).
  - During this discussion Commissioner Deanna McLaughlin expressed concern about burdening state governments with an additional financial obligation without going through the State of Tennessee budget process.
  - After much discussion, the topic of the National MIC3 adding National Guard and Reserve children to the compact coverage was tabled until each state commissioner could discuss the issue with their state council and the State Board of Education team.
- ★ Current Tennessee Dues = \$12,903
- ★ Estimated Additional Dues by adding National Guard & Reserve = \$13,040
- ★ Note: the entire dues amount paid by the State of Tennessee goes to the National MIC3 organization. Deanna McLaughlin and Deb Munis are uncompensated volunteers. Most recently the State Board of Education agreed to reimburse them for TNMIC3 related travel expenses. Up to that point they have paid out of pocket except for Commissioner McLaughlin's travel to the annual National MIC3 business meeting

#### **NGRTF Recommendation Summary**

The NGRTF recommended the MIC3 support expansion of Compact coverage to all members of the Selected Reserve - including Traditional, Active/Guard Reserve, and Military Technician (Dual Status) members - for moves related to changes in duty station and for deployments in any active duty status, including Title 10, Title 32, and State Active Duty (SAD).

- ★ This recommendation takes into account the following:
  - The rule change process cannot be used to change Compact applicability, only Compact rules;
  - The Commission may propose amendments to the Model Compact Language for enactment by the member states, but no amendment shall become effective and binding upon the Commission and the member states unless and until it is enacted into law by unanimous consent of the member states;
  - States may not unilaterally amend the Model Compact Language in their law without risk to their Compact membership;
  - Some member states have already enacted state legislation separate from their Compact statute to immediately extend coverage of the Compact within their states, but language differs among states;

#### NGRTF Recommendation Summary (cont)

- Expert legal counsel, at the expense of the Commission, will be required to research and create the specific language to accomplish the desired changes;
- There are numerous military support organizations that would endorse and likely assist MIC3 in any effort to expand Compact coverage to all members of the Selected Reserve—for example, the Enlisted Association of the National Guard of the United States (EANGUS), the National Guard Association of the United States (NGAUS), the Reserve Officers Association (ROA), and the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA). Other organizations, such as the National Governors Association (NGA), may be likely allies in any MIC3 effort to extend Compact support to include ALL military families.

#### **ABM 2020 Outcome**

- ★ The Commission expressed appreciation for the work of the NGRTF.
- ★ Commissioners did not feel comfortable adopting the NGRTF recommendation and
- ★ requested the opportunity to share with their respective state councils.
- ★ Several states expressed concern regarding the possible increase in annual Commission state dues with the addition of NGR dependents.
  - o NGR <a href="https://mic3.net/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/51-NGR-Data-20200731.pdf">https://mic3.net/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/51-NGR-Data-20200731.pdf</a>
  - Active Duty -<u>https://mic3.net/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/50-AD-Data\_20200731.pdf</u>
- ★ A motion was passed to forward the recommendation to the Executive Committee for further action. This action also allows states to meet with their state councils to develop a position on the issue.

#### **ABM 2020 Outcome**

- ★ Excerpt from the ABM minutes, October 2, 2020
  - Commissioner McLaughlin thanked the task force and said it would have been useful to have the motion language to share with her State Council, the Guard leadership in Tennessee, and the Governor to hear their thoughts on it prior to the ABM. She said she would feel more comfortable proceeding if it were just Items 1 or 2 in the motion, because in looking at the dues structure it would result in the doubling of several states' dues. She said there are a lot of unanswered questions.
  - Commissioner McLaughlin motioned to postpone a vote on this motion until the 2021 ABM. Mr. Masters,
     General Council, pointed out that there was a motion on the floor already so unless Commissioner Berg wished to withdraw the original motion, they must satisfy the initial motion.
  - Commissioner Berg said the motion is comprehensive, so she wanted to allow some budget allowance to explore the language. She stated perhaps the budget part could be left off the Motion if the National Office supports that.
  - Chair Kaminar asked Commissioner Berg if she wanted to amend the initial. Commissioner Berg said she would amend her initial Motion by leaving off the budgetary language in Item #2. Chair Kaminar asked Commissioner McLaughlin if it satisfied her to remove Item #2. Commissioner McLaughlin said the language in the first paragraph bothered her more because it seemed to suggest we would move forward regardless. Commissioner Berg offered to add the wording "consider supporting expansion."
  - The following language was removed from the motion: "(2) budgeting \$5,000, with permission to request the EXCOM for more, up to a limit of \$20,000, for reasonable expenses required to explore options and initiate action(s) in support of the recommendation."

#### **Dues**

- ★ Expansion of the Compact to cover reserve component children is not an opportunity to increase revenues to the Commission.
- ★ Inclusion of reserve component children should be accomplished without an increase in dues, if at all possible.
- ★ Courses of action to amend the Compact to include reserve component children will probably require a change to the dues formula to ensure that state dues are not increased.

#### Course of Action #1

#### ★ Amend the Compact Statute.

- Pros would extend compact coverage to all NGR dependents beyond Title
   10 in the Compact.
- Cons the language would need to be adopted in statute by all 50+1 members before the coverage would be active; cost to the commission to fund this effort; time to work with states to pass the language; risk other unapproved modifications to the compact statute
- Additional: Could state legislatures adopt an "administrative amendment" that clarifies that the Compact shall be applied to all children of military families?

#### Course of Action #2

- ★ Amend State Codes Outside of the Compact.
  - Pros States could choose to do this independently; would be in effect immediately upon passage; would not increase annual state dues as it is outside of the compact.
  - Cons Would not be uniform across all member states.
  - Examples of separate, external language which extends Compact coverage:
    - Arkansas covers all NGR children, regardless of title.
       <a href="http://www.arkleg.state.ar.us/assembly/2019/2019R/Acts/Act939.pdf">http://www.arkleg.state.ar.us/assembly/2019/2019R/Acts/Act939.pdf</a>
    - Kentucky covers students of U.S. Department of Defense (USDOD) civilian employees
      - https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=3244

#### Course of Action #3

#### ★ Create an "Enhanced" Compact

- Explanation The enhancement could include the additional language needed to extend coverage to reserve component families. The enhanced and the original compact would be binding on states that join the enhanced compact, but only the current MIC3 Compact would bind states that choose not to join. The Nursing Licensure Compact Commission used this model successfully.
- Pros States that wish to join the enhanced compact could do so, but no state would be required to.
- Cons The enhancement risks becoming too broad; states might choose to add measures to the enhancement that other states choose not to include; would the current national office staff be sufficient to administer both compacts; might complicate the dues formula if not all states join the enhanced compact.

#### Course of Action #4

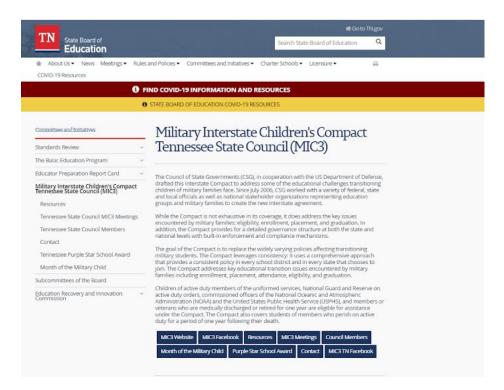
#### ★ Adopt a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA)

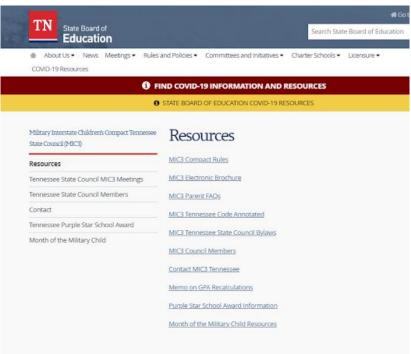
- Explanation The appropriate official in each state (governor, chief state school officer) could sign a MOA developed by the national office. The MOA would indicate that the signatory states would treat children of reserve component families as though the Compact covers them. Reserve component children would not be counted for purpose of calculating dues.
- Pros Avoids issues of compliance raised by amending the compact statutes;
   requires no change to dues formula.
- Cons Could be canceled by the same official who entered the MOA; might expire after a given period of time

#### Course of Action #5

- ★ Take no action at this time.
  - Explanation a Member State may feel no further action by the Commission is necessary at this time. Some states expressed the Compact was developed by the US DOD to address education challenges encountered by active duty children who move frequently based on their parents' assignments and covers the children that need to be covered. Which is why the National Guard and Reserve (beyond Title 10) was not included in the model compact. If the Compact is expanded, some other states expressed interest in expanding the Compact to cover civilian US DOD personnel, and/or all interstate transitioning students since their parents may relocate for jobs or career advancement.
  - Pros This option would not require further action by the Commission. The dependents of National Guard and Reserve under Title 10 would continue to be covered under the Compact.

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BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, thousands of brave Tennesseans have demonstrated their courage and commitment to freedom by serving in the Armed Forces of the United States, both on active duty and in the Tennessee national Guard and Reserves; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee has committed to be an active participant in the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children, which is designed to support military children when they transition from school system to school system across state lines; and

WHEREAS, children and youth of our service members are major contributors to the fabric of strength for their parents serving in the armed forces; and

WHEREAS, children and youth of our service members continue to make significant contributions to family, schools, communities, our state, and the nation, despite prolonged and repeat absences of one or both parents; and

WHEREAS, these children are a source of pride and honor to us all, and it is only fitting that we take the time to recognize their contributions, celebrate their spirit, and let our men and women in uniform know that while they are taking care of us, we are taking care of their children, and

WHEREAS, the US Department of Defense Education Activity, the Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission, and other military family support organizations are encouraging the recognition of the important role of military children while their servicemember parents serve our country through special events and wearing the color purple;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee do hereby proclaim April 21, 2021 as "Purple Up! For Military Kids Day" and the month of April 2021 as the

Month of the Military Child

in Tennessee and encourage all citizens to join me in this worthy observance.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the State of Tennessee to be affixed at Nashville on this eighth day of March, 2021.

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Secretary of State









Clarksville, Tennessee Mayor Joe Pitts





Montgomery County, Tennessee Mayor Jim Durrett





Fort Campbell MWR

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MONTH OF THE MILITARY CHILD



#### Month of the Military Child 2021 - Virtual Events



Date/Time	Topic	Speaker	
Thursday, April 1, 2021 at 1 p.m.	Introduction to Month of the Military Child	Bethany Chacon	
		Bella Mollison	
		Ryan Walker	
Monday, April 5, 2021 at noon	Child and Youth Behavioral Military and	Kamie Larson	
	Family Life Counselors	Kelly Smith	
Monday, April 5, 2021 at 2 p.m.	Journey to Success	Dr. Candace Bird	
		Lt Gen Leslie Smith	
Tuesday, April 6, 2021 at 2 p.m.	Kindness	Trevor Romain	
Friday, April 9, 2021 at 2 p.m.	Parenting In An Age Of Uncertainty:	Dr. Kenneth Ginsburg	
	Resilience in the Face of Crisis		
Monday, April 12, 2021 at noon	A Youth's Guide to Resilience and Thriving	Zuri Garcia	
Tuesday, April 13, 2021 at 2 p.m.	Resilience	Trevor Romain	
Friday, April 16, 2021 at 2 p.m.	Parenting In An Age Of Uncertainty: Self-	Dr. Kenneth Ginsburg	
	Care and Modeling for your Teens		
Monday, April 19, 2021 at noon	Thrive Online Program for Parents	Daniel F. Perkins, PhD	
Monday, April 19, 2021 at 2 p.m.	Expanded Hourly Child Care for Military	Kelly Smith	
	Families	Heidi Welch	
Tuesday, April 20, 2021 at 2 p.m.	Embracing Change	Trevor Romain	
Friday, April 23, 2021 at 2 p.m.	Parenting In An Age Of Uncertainty: The	Dr. Kenneth Ginsburg	
	Power of Connection		
Monday, April 26, 2021 at noon	What IS a School Liaison anyway?	Jackie Cajina	
		Chuck Clymer	
		Lori Phipps	
		Nanette Pigg	
Tuesday, April 27, 2021 at 2 p.m.	Staying Connected	Trevor Romain	

Check out the virtual events on Military OneSource's Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/military.1source/events

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About Me" Week	5	Guinness World Record Attempt	7 Parent Live Events 6:00 PM	8	9 MOMC Shirt	Global Trot 5K/1 Mile MOMC Drive In Movie
CYS Spirit Week	Hats Off to Military Kids	13 Tie-Dye Day Military Kids Are GROOVY	14 Military Kids are Super Heroes Dress as your flavorite Superhero Parent Live Events 6:00 PM	Purple Up Day  NONC MONC MONC  Wear MOMC Shirt	16 FREEDOM FRIDAY! Wear your Red, White & Blue!	17 Kidsfest
Healthy Habits Week	19	20	21	22	23 MOMC Shirt	24
Resiliency Week	26	27	28 Parent Live	29	Young Lives, BIG Stories Contest Ends	MONTH A

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RJ Corman Bridge, Clarksville, Tennessee goes Purple on April 21, 2021 for MIC3 National Purple Up Day!

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