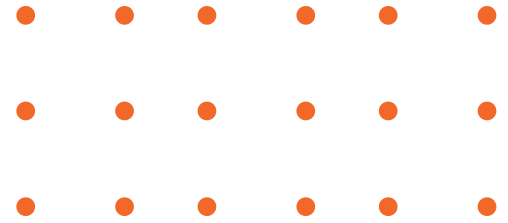




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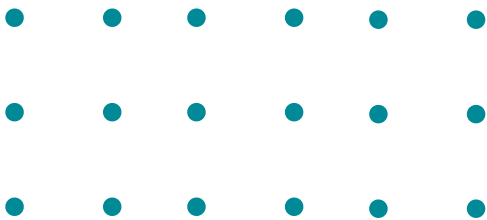


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FROM THE CHAIR

Greetings! I am proud to serve as the 5th Chair of the Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission. The work we do is most rewarding. Our former Chair, Kate Wren Gavlak (CA) would always say, "Doing the RIGHT THING for children." I want to publicly thank Kate for her service and leadership to the organization, and to the schools and children we serve.

[Read the full letter](#)

NEW COMMISSIONER

COL(R) M. Blaine Hedges is the Commissioner for the State of Kentucky. He served as the representative for Kentucky at the 2016 MIC3 Annual Meeting.

He was appointed by Governor Bevin on December 1, 2016. He also serves as the Executive Director for the Governor's Commission on



Military Affairs

[Read the BIO here](#)

2017 ABM, PROVIDENCE RHODE ISLAND



Save the date for the 2017 Annual Business Meeting which will be held at the Downtown Renaissance Hotel in Providence, RI

[VIEW IMAGES FROM THE 2016 ABM](#)

SPOTLIGHT

Each issue we will pose questions to people associated with MIC3. In this newsletter we spoke with Kristen Ferullo, NAVY School Liaison Officer

for the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard in Maine.

The information provided will be kept and used as resource to identify areas that we may need to focus on.

[Read the article here](#)



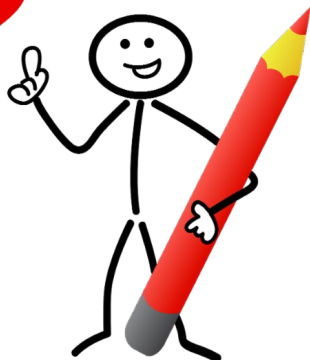
2016 SUPERINTENDENT OF THE YEAR

Kathleen Murphy was named the New Hampshire 2016 Superintendent of the Year by the New Hampshire School Administrators Association. Selected for her work as a leader in early childhood as well as her work leading a STEM initiative in SAU 90.

"she is a tireless advocate for students and their families and is a true champion for children"

[Read the article here](#)

***Did
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Know?***



PLACEMENT FLEXIBILITY

Local education agency administrative officials shall have flexibility in waiving course or program prerequisites, or other preconditions for placement in courses/programs offered

under the jurisdiction of the local education agency.

PROMOTING MIC3

The Council of State Governments has been instrumental in supporting the Compact since its inception, read some articles from the "Capitol Ideas" here:

[Capitol Ideas Nov/Dec 2016, page 47](#)

[Capitol Ideas Jul/Aug 2015 page, 18/19](#)

[NMFA - Raising Awareness of the Compact](#)

"GOOD" SCHOOLS NEED MORE THAN JUST GREAT TEACHERS

Ex-Officio representative Eileen Huck, Government Relations Deputy Director.

[Read the article here](#)



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Its time to start thinking about "**Purple Up**". MIC3 will be celebrating it on April 25th this year. We would like to ask everyone to send us any photographs/articles following your events so we can use them to highlight our organization and the cause!

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March 2017



FROM THE CHAIR

In April, the Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission (MIC3) – along with many other organizations, non-profits, and public entities – will celebrate the important role of military children while their service member parents are serving the nation.

Join us by wearing purple on Tuesday, April 25th as our official **"Purple Up! For Military Kids"** day.

[Letter](#)

NEW COMMISSIONER

Please welcome COL(R) Chris Cmiel as the new West Virginia Commissioner. Officially appointed on February 20th 2017, he previously served as the Commissioner Designee from 2014 prior to this appointment.

[Bio](#)



CASE HIGHLIGHT

A transferring junior was on track to join the National Honor Society (NHS) at the sending school, however his family moved over the summer, and he transferred to a new state and school district. NHS eligibility requirements state that a student must attend the school for a complete semester before being eligible to be inducted into the program. The receiving school inquired with the MIC3 national office if they could retroactively induct the student this semester instead of waiting a semester for the student to gain eligibility.

In researching the NHS Handbook, we found that a school may have the opportunity to waive the semester requirement for military students. **Under ARTICLE XVII Amendments, Article IX, Section 1:**

Some candidates may be ineligible for induction because of the semester ruling. Many students, including students of military parents, are required to move with parents or guardians who have transferred in their work. The present school principal should seek a recommendation from the previous school principal or chapter adviser pursuant to the candidate's selection. On the basis of the recommendation from the previous school, the Faculty Council may waive the semester regulation.

SPOTLIGHT

In this issue we hear from
Kathy Facon as she enters "The
Spotlight!"

"The knowledge of the Compact has increased throughout DoDEA from all stakeholders because of the great marketing of the Compact and the successful transitions because of Compact provisions"



Article

Kathy Facon, Chief, Educational Partnership and Resources
Ex-Officio Department of Defense Representative

NEW APPOINTMENT



Our congratulations go out to Kate Wren Gavlak, California Commissioner and MIC3 past Chairman, on her recent appointment to the Council of State Governments (CSG) Executive Committee and Leadership Council. The council oversees the business affairs, policy and program development of CSG. This is the main decision-making body to which all other CSG committees

report.

This is the second time a member of MIC3 has been appointed to this body, our first appointee was Hawaii Commissioner BG (Ret) Kathleen F. Berg HIANG.

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"Purple Up" with the MIC3 on Tuesday April 25th. Help publicize this event and send us your events, photographs or articles. Highlight your State and what you do!

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Guide for Parents, School Officials
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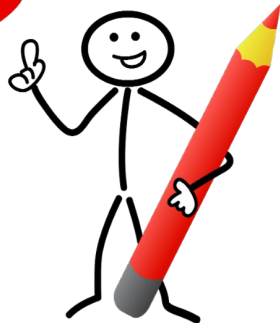
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WAIVER REQUIREMENTS

Local Education Agency (LEA) administrative officials shall waive specific courses required for graduation if similar course work has been satisfactorily completed in another LEA or shall provide reasonable justification for denial. Should a waiver not be granted to

a student who would qualify to graduate from the sending school, the LEA shall provide an alternative means of acquiring required coursework so that graduation may occur on time. If the receiving LEA requires a graduation project, volunteer

community service hours, or other state or LEA specific requirements, the receiving LEA may waive those requirements.

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FROM THE CHAIR

In April, the Commission – along with many other organizations, non-profits, and public entities – will celebrate the important role of military children while their service member parents are serving the nation. Across the nation, states, communities, and schools celebrate this month in various ways - including wearing the color purple.

Please inform the national office of your state activities, send a copy of your letter and press release, and especially any event photos so we may publicize them through the newsletter, social media, and website.

MONTH OF THE MILITARY CHILD

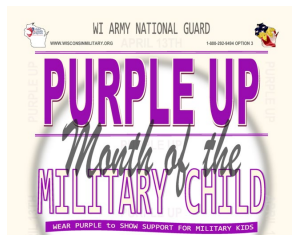
Governor Matthew Bevin's
proclamation for the
Commonwealth of the State of
Kentucky on the *Month of the
Military Child*

Proclamation
by
Matthew G. Bevin
Governor
of the
Commonwealth of Kentucky



WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

A Proclamation



Wisconsin State Supt of Public Instruction, Tony Evers' proclamation for the *Month of the Military Child* and their event plans.



DoDEA will celebrate the *Month of the Military Child* on April 21st

CASE HIGHLIGHT

A family PCS'd from Miami, Florida to Omaha, Nebraska in late October early November. The student was in 10th grade honors English and was asked to do assignments from lessons given prior to them arriving at their new school. The parent was told that because it was an honors class, it must be made up and there was no way around it. The parent met with the teacher and the vice principal. This meeting was unsuccessful and the student began falling behind in all their classes trying to make up an assignment. The student has been taking honors classes since starting high school.

Contact was made with Brian Halstead, Nebraska Commissioner who contacted the school principal and the school liaison officer (SLO). Following a meeting between the Principal and the SLO, the school adjusted the curricular requirements for the student.

The following articles were used as reference to resolve the matter:

SEC. 5.101 Course placement

SEC. 5.102 Educational program placement

SEC. 5.104 Placement flexibility

AWARD RECOGNITION

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Melissa Luchau, Virginia Commissioner Designee, receives an MIC3 certificate and coin from Dr. Steven Staples, Supt of Instruction, Virginia Dept of Education



MIC3 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RECOGNIZED

MIC3 Executive Director Cherise Imai was recently recognized by



the National Association of Federally Impacted Schools (NAFIS) with the **Friends of NAFIS Award** at their spring conference in Washington D.C. As a member of the Board of Directors and Hawaii’s designee for 6 years, she worked on the Impact Aid program supporting military, indian lands, and federal

property connected school districts. Additionally, Imai helped develop the Federally Impacted Schools Education Foundation’s (FISEF) **Good Idea Grant Program** which funds academic, innovative curriculum and social wellness programs to benefit federally connected students.

SPOTLIGHT

This month we spoke with Rear Admiral J. Clarke Orzalli, USN (RET), the Commissioner for the State of Massachusetts.



RADM J. Clarke Orzalli, USN (RET)
Massachusetts Commissioner

ARTICLE

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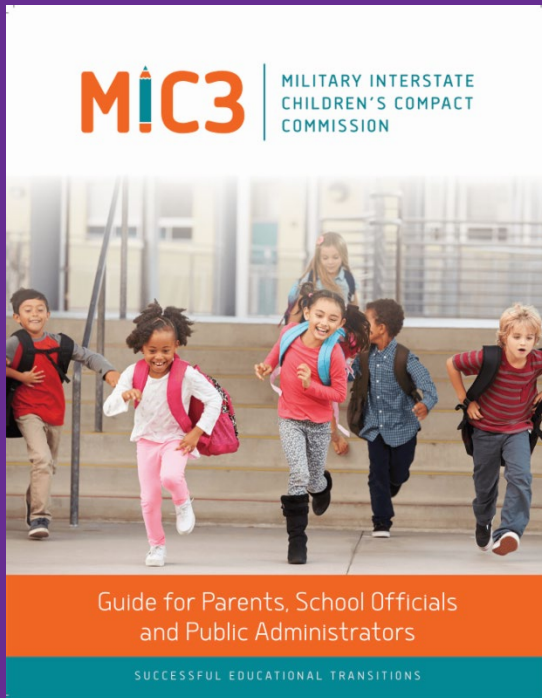


STUDENT IMMUNIZATIONS

- Compacting states shall give (a student) thirty (30) calendar days from the date of enrollment to obtain the required immunizations.
- For a series of immunizations,

initial vaccinations must be started within thirty (30) calendar days.

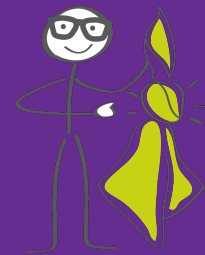
- Tuberculosis (TB) testing is a test rather than an immunization, therefore may be required prior to enrollment.



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April 11, 2017

Public Relations and Training Committee Meeting

April 18, 2017

Finance Committee Meeting

Apr 20, 2017

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May 3-4, 2017 | Lexington, KY

2017 Annual Business Meeting - Providence, RI

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NEW COMMISSIONER

Yolandé Anderson was appointed the MIC3 State Commissioner Designee by South Carolina Superintendent Molly Spearman on September 15, 2016. Commissioner Anderson is the Director of Family and Community Engagement for the South Carolina Department of Education.

[BIO](#)

Yolandé Anderson - South Carolina Commissioner Designee

**MONTH OF THE MILITARY CHILD
AROUND THE STATES**



Proctor, MN – Proctor Public Schools took time to recognize the Month of the Military Child in Minnesota. They also had some help from State Assistant Commissioner of Education, Daron Korte.

Video: 00:55

STATE PROCLAMATIONS



RHODE ISLAND



KENTUCKY



FLORIDA



WISCONSIN

OHIO



MONTH OF THE MILITARY CHILD VIDEO COMPILATION

HIGHLIGHT FROM WASHINGTON STATE



Steilacoom, WA – The Steilacoom School District, adjacent to Joint Base Lewis McChord, highlights their **Safe and Sound Program**. The district was awarded a five-year, \$1.25M grant which is focused on increasing the social well-being of all students.

IN THE NEWS



ASSOCIATION OF
**DEFENSE
COMMUNITIES**

The Association of Defense Communities (ADC) recognize eight communities for exceptional support to service members, military families.

The association launched the Great American Defense Communities initiative in conjunction with the House and Senate Defense Communities Caucuses in 2016 to showcase the efforts communities take to support installations and their personnel.

[ADC Article](#)

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WHAT IS THE COMPACT?
 Developed in 2006, the Military Interstate Children's Compact was adopted by all 50 states, the District of Columbia and the Department of Defense Education Activity. The Compact eases the educational challenges that military children encounter, and supports uniform treatment as they transfer between school districts in member states. Note: The Compact only applies to public schools.

STUDENTS COVERED
 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 die 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 Service (USPHS)

STUDENTS NOT COVERED
 Children of the following:
 • Inactive members of the National Guard and Reserves (Not Title 10)
 • Members now retired not covered above
 • Veterans not covered above
 • 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

SOME OF THE ISSUES COVERED

| | | |
|------------------------------|--|--|
| Enrollment | Placement & Attendance | Graduation |
| • Educational Records | • Course & Educational Program Placement | • Waiting courses required for graduation if similar course work has been completed |
| • Immunizations | • Special Education Services | • Flexibility in accepting state exit or end-of-course exams, national achievement tests, or alternative testing in lieu of testing requirements for graduation in the receiving state |
| • Kindergarten & First Grade | • Placement Flexibility | • Allowing a student to receive a diploma from the sending school instead of the receiving school |
| Entrance Age | • Absence Related to Deployment Activities | |

MISSION Through the Interstate Compact, MIC3 addresses key educational transition issues encountered by children of military families.

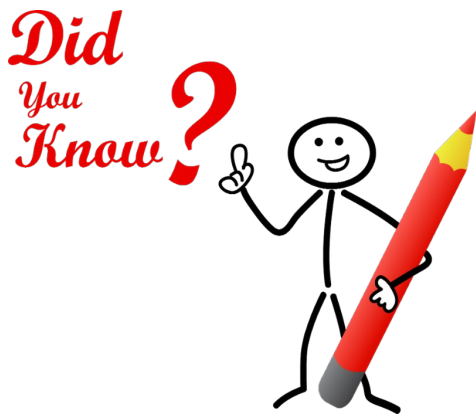
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DID YOU KNOW - EXIT EXAMS



Rule 4.102

Exit exams – States shall accept:

- 1) exit or end-of-course exams required for graduation from the sending state; or
- 2) national norm-referenced achievement tests or
- 3) alternative testing, in lieu of testing requirements for graduation in the receiving state. In the event the above alternatives cannot be accommodated by the receiving state for a student transferring in his or her senior year, then the provisions of Article VII, Section C shall apply.

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May 23, 2017 | 2:30 pm (EDT)

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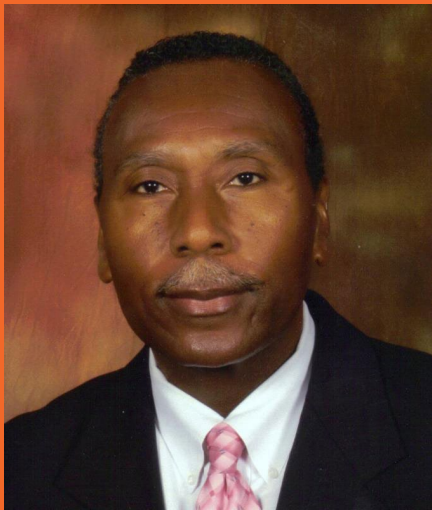
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NEW COMMISSIONER - ALABAMA



DR. DOUGLAS LEE RAGLAND

Dr. Ragland was appointed as the MIC3 State Commissioner for the State of Alabama by Governor Robert Bentley on 16 March, 2017. Commissioner Ragland is a retired school superintendent after serving 34 years in education.

[BIO](#)

Dr. Douglas Lee Ragland - Alabama Commissioner

BOOSTING EDUCATION FOR MILITARY CHILDREN

Approximately 13,000 active duty U.S. military members are stationed across New England, with 3,159 based here in Rhode Island, according to the latest figures from the Department of Defense. Their dedication to ensuring the nation's security creates a conflict with a central responsibility of parenthood: ensuring their children's access to consistent and high-quality education.



Read the Article



By Rosemarie Kraeger (above)
and Marcus Lingenfelter (below)

RADFORD HIGH - COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS REPORT (CCRI)



Pictured: Radford High counselors, from left, Susie Honda, Krislyn Hara, Malia Kau, Pohai Aquino, George Sumida, Sarah Rippee, Lisa Johnstone and Erin Macedonio.

Radford High is a standout in this year's College and Career Readiness Indicators report (CCRI). Students take and pass Advanced Placement (AP) exams, graduate high school and enroll in college at higher rates than the state. Read the [story here](#).

CCRI reports are an annual collaboration between the Department and the University of Hawaii, coordinated by Hawai'i P-20 Partnerships for Education, to present information on how well Hawaii public school graduates are prepared for college.

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Karen Paschal receives an MIC3 Certificate and Coin from Pete LuPiba, the Commissioner from the State of Ohio



Mary Jane Tappen Receives an MIC3 Certificate and Coin from Curtis Jenkins, School Counseling Consultant, Florida

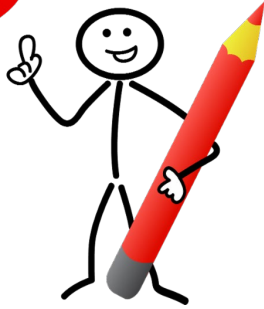
SHARE YOUR STORY

If you have a story you would like to share please contact MIC3 at rpryor@csg.org



TRANSFERS DURING SENIOR YEAR

Did You Know?



Rule 4.103

There may be cases in which a military student transferring at the beginning or during his or her senior year is ineligible to graduate from the receiving LEA after all alternatives have been considered. In such cases the sending and receiving LEA's shall ensure the

receipt of a diploma from the sending LEA, if the student meets the graduation requirements of the sending LEA.

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May 23, 2017 | 2:30 pm (EDT)

Rules Committee Meeting

Jun 13, 2017 | 2:00 pm (EDT)

Executive Committee Meeting

Jun 15, 2017 | 2:00 pm (EDT)

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