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Ms. Cherise Imai,
Executive Director
Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission
1776 Avenue of the States
Lexington, KY 40511

Dear Ms. Imai,

The following information is provided in accordance with MIC3 Policy 01-2017, state coordination, for the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.

The Kansas State Council held its annual meeting by conference call on November 20, 2019. Minutes for that meeting were previously submitted to MIC3 and are posted on the Kansas Military Families website.

The State Council reviewed events of the National Annual Business Meeting, including officer elections, committee reports, and the annual budget. In addition, the Council reviewed the MIC3 Strategic Plan and discussed its implications for students in Kansas.

As in most states, the most significant education event in Kansas during the past year was the response to the COVID-19 virus. All Kansas school buildings were closed on March 16, 2020, for the remainder of the school year. School districts continued to provide instruction for the rest of the school year through a combination of traditional materials delivered to the home, online resources, and telephone contact with students and parents. This process was known as Continuous Learning.

While this was obviously a significant change for students, parents, and teachers, no issues were raised to the state level for resolution regarding military connected students. Local parents, teachers, administrators, and School Liaison Officers are to be commended for helping students work through this change.

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Finally, points of contact for the Kansas State Council are myself and Sherry Root, Kansas State Department of Education. Ms. Root may be reached at 785-296-3872 or via e-mail at sroot@ksde.org.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S. Craig Neuenswander". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "S" and a long, sweeping underline.

S. Craig Neuenswander
Commissioner, Kansas State Council

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