



Tennessee Military Interstate
Children's Children
Compact Commission (TN-MIC3)

Annual State Council Meeting

Thursday, February 12, 2026

3:00 PM Central Time (sign on by 2:50 PM)

Virtual Meeting

Livestream Link: <https://bit.ly/4qli7ub>

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. **Compact Purpose** – Deanna McLaughlin
6. **Introduction of Guests** - Deanna McLaughlin
7. **Motion to Approve the Below State of Officers** – Deanna McLaughlin
 - a. State Council Chairman - Deanna McLaughlin, Tennessee Commissioner
 - b. State Council Vice Chairman - James Bo Griffin, Director of Schools, Millington Municipal Schools
 - c. State Council Secretary - Nathan James, Designee, Deputy Executive Director for Legislative and External Affairs, Tennessee State Board of Education)
8. **Introduction of New State Council Members** - Deanna McLaughlin
 - a. COL James Snowden - Garrison Commander, Fort Campbell, Kentucky
9. **New or Pending Military/Veteran-Related Legislation** - Nathan James
10. **Partner Organizations Comments Relating to Military Children & How You Share Information About the Compact with the Members of Your Organizations** (3 Mins each) - Deanna McLaughlin
 - a. Christy Carroll Highfill - Tennessee PTA
 - b. Mark Reeves - Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association
 - c. Karissa Poe - Tennessee Blue Star Families
11. **Military Partners - Comments & Information on How Service Members are Educated on the Compact** (3 Mins each) - Deanna McLaughlin
 - a. MG Tommy Baker (USA Ret) - Tennessee Veteran Services
 - b. COL James Snowden - Garrison Commander, Fort Campbell, Kentucky
 - c. CAPT Joseph Torres - USN Commanding Officer, Naval Support Activity Mid-South
 - d. Michaela Gregory - Tennessee ARNG
12. **Introduction of and Comments From School Liaison Officers, Compact Best Practices** (3 Mins each) – Deanna McLaughlin
 - a. Jennifer Lundy, Naval Activity Mid-South
 - b. Laquvia Garrett, Fort Campbell, Kentucky
 - c. Elaine LaJeunesse, Team Eglin Air Force Base, Florida
13. **Purple Star Schools Award Update** – Deb Munis
 - a. Vote to Approve 2026 Applications
 - b. Reapplying Applicant Schools
 - c. First-Time Applicant Schools
14. **Purple Star Award Program/Governor's TriStars & Stripes/Tennessee Department of Education** - Nick Atwood, Director of Military & Veteran Initiatives
 - a. Goal to Educate Every School Administrator, Registrar, Guidance Counselor, Teacher, etc. in the State of Tennessee on the Compact
15. **Review of 2025/2026 Tennessee Hot Issues** – Deanna McLaughlin
16. **Tennessee Military-Connected Children Stats** – Deanna McLaughlin
17. **Approved MIC3 National Dues Increase** - Deanna McLaughlin
18. **Month of the Military Child** – Deanna McLaughlin
19. **MIC3 Resources** – Deanna McLaughlin
20. **Important Links** – Deanna McLaughlin
21. **Public Comments** - Deanna McLaughlin
22. **Open Discussion** - Deanna McLaughlin
23. **Adjourn** - Deanna McLaughlin