



Arkansas End-of-Year Report 2025-2026

First Name: John

Last Name: Kaminar

I am the Compact Commissioner for: Arkansas

The membership of the state's MIC3 council consists of the following:: The Arkansas Council for Military Children serves as the state MIC3 council. It consists of the following members:

- Voting Members:
- Col. (Ret.) John Kaminar, Chair
- Andelyn Wright, Vice Chair
- Jody Bergstrom
- Rep. Karilyn Brown
- John Ciesla
- Sen. Jane English
- Lt. Col. James Garvey
- Christina Harper
- Whitney Malham
- Brian Melton
- LaShawnDa Noel
- Bobbie Olles, Military Family Education Liaison
- Dr. Jeremy Owoh
- Christyal Parker
- Allyson Pitts
- Jennifer Reynolds
- Jessica Saum
- Emily Taylor
- Terri Williams

- Non-Voting Liaisons and Advisors
- Col. Katrina Smith, DOD Liaison
- Rick Porter, Special Education Advisor
- Chelsey Swindle, Gold Star Families Advisor
- Col. (Ret.) Wayne Ruthven, Arkansas Department of veterans Affairs Liaison
- Dr. Janice Walker, Recognition Programs Advisor
- Alisha Price, Legal Advisor

- Non-Voting Student Advisors, 2025-26
- Weston Arnett
- Ava Berryhill
- Caleb Carranco
- Carly Teeter

Two points of contact for issues related to the Compact in my state are:: Col. (Ret.) John Kaminar
Terri Williams

Provide the State Council meeting date(s) and documentation: August 7, 2025
October 2, 2025
December 4, 2025
February 12, 2026

February 27, 2026
April 2, 2026
June 4, 2026

Documentation will be provided separately.

Cases and
Inquiries:

No cases were submitted for resolution at state level.

Training and
Education:

The Arkansas Council for Military Children conducted two types of training:

Monthly training sessions for District Military Education Coordinators and school Military Family Education Facilitators. Various topics were discussed at each session. Guest presenters provided information and training in their areas of expertise. One pair of monthly sessions included Compact 101 training by the MIC3 national staff. Attendance averaged 35 person for each session.

Purple Star School Program orientation sessions were conducted as needed. This is relevant because the Arkansas Purple Star School Program includes requirements for schools to establish programs to transition military-connected students successfully into their new schools.

A schedule for each type of training will be provided separately.

Distribution of
Compact-related
Information:

November 4, 2025 and November 20, 2025. Online Compact 101 Training was organized by the Arkansas Council for Military Children and conducted by MIC3 national staff.

State-level Briefs,
Communications,
and
Presentations:

None.

Compact-related
Actions :

None.