

**Child and Youth Education Services (CYES)
Fleet and Family Readiness
Commander, Navy Installations Command HQ N926**



Child and Youth Programs

**Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission
MIC3 2021 Annual Business Meeting
November 4-5 - VIRTUAL**

DATE: 5 November 2021

FROM: Kristen Ferullo, School Liaison Officer, Portsmouth Naval Shipyard

TO: Commander Navy Installations Command (CNIC N926)

SUBJECT: Trip Report – DoD Representative for the State of Maine & New Hampshire on the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children (MIC3)

1. **PURPOSE:**

Child and Youth Education Services (CYES) execution authority is:

- NDAA, Section 1785 of title 10 United State Code
- OPNAVINST 1700.9 (series)
- Department of Defense Instruction (DODI) 6060.4, Youth Programs
- Department of Defense Instruction (DODI) 1342.29, Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children (MIC3)
- Navy School Liaison Officer Guide, 3 March 2009 Memorandum
- School Based Program Guide, February 2010 Memorandum

2. **TRAVELER:** Kristen Ferullo

3. **ITINERARY:**

- Key personnel contacted include:

4. DISCUSSION:

04-05 November 2021

General Session

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Welcome & Opening Remarks**
4. **Approval of Agenda - approved**
5. **Approval of 2020 ABM Minutes - approved**
6. **Public Comment: none**
7. **Strategic Plan Update: John “don” Kaminar (AR) & Cherise Imai**
 - a. Goal 1: Clarity & Awareness – Enhance visibility of mission
 - b. Goal 2: Cohesive & Aligned – Empower cohesion and alignment of full MIC3 National Commissioners through best practices, mentorship, leadership volunteerism
 - c. Goal 3: Foundation & Future - Establish and maintain culture of growth to ensure fiscal and operational stability.

8. Executive Reports

- a. **Chair – John “Don” Kaminar (AR)**
 - i. Tier Group Meetings to be held
 - ii. Awards for service
 - iii. Developed resources for
 1. Special Education (p.119-135)
 2. Parent toolkits
 3. Trainings for commissioners and councils (p.219-222)
 - iv. Increased speaking engagements
- b. **Executive Director – Cherise Imai**
 - i. Case & Inquiry Report: none from ME/NH (p.141)
 - ii. Review of National, State & Local presentations
 - iii. Annual Report (print)
 - iv. Awards (certificates/challenge coins) presented by MIC3. Contact National office for more information.
 - v. Partnerships continue to develop: Blue Star Families
- c. **Vice Chair – Laura Anastasio (CT)**
 - i. Ex-Officio met 4 times, provided updates and feedback on new programs and organizational progress.
- d. **General Counsel – Rick Masters, Esq.**
 - i. Drafted 2020 US Space Force legal advisory
 - ii. Drafted 2021 IDEA & Special Education legal advisory
 - iii. Ex-officio members and electoral process under Robert’s Rules legal memorandum
 - iv. Purple Star legal memorandum

9. State Council Military Representatives & USDoD Key Issues – Bill Hampton

- a. Christopher Arnold – DOD Rep for North East
- b. Possible upcoming changes to state branch coverage
- c. 2022 Key Licensure Issues for spouses and active duty
 - i. Nursing, advanced practice registered nursing, emergency medical services, physical therapy, audiology/speech & language pathology, licensed professional counseling, occupational therapy, psychology.
- d. 2022 Key Educational Issues
 - i. Purple Star Schools, Advanced Enrollment, Open Enrollment Flexibility, In-State Tuition Continuity
- e. 2022 Health/wellbeing issues
 - i. Child Abuse & neglect reporting, concurrent jurisdiction through retrocession, and “ask the question” campaign

10. Ex Officio Reports

a. National Federation of State High School Associations – Davis Whitfield

- i. Cover HS Athletics, activities and fine arts.
- ii. Writes playing rules for 17 sports
- iii. New Strategic Plan – To develop a Belief (social-emotional health), Challenge (diversity, equity & inclusion), Opportunity (ethics, integrity and good sportsmanship)
- iv. Crisis to find Officials for sporting events.
- v. Work to increase football engagement as the numbers have decreased
- vi. Performing arts studies study available
- vii. Courses in implicit bias, parental behavior, title 9, tackling and blocking course, concussion protocols

b. Military Impacted Schools Association – Kyle Fairbairn

- i. Mission: impact aid funding, legislation, partnerships and programs for military families
- ii. DOE Impact Aid 2019 \$1.46b
- iii. DOD Impact Aid 2020 \$50M & \$20M severe special needs
- iv. Need continued education and support to help schools understand this

c. Military Child Education Coalition – Mr. Tim Farrell

- i. Military family stability and education are a top priority of service members and staying in the service.
- ii. Concerns include learning gaps, mid-year moves, variations in state standards, transfer of credits, transfer of special education services, stress management, making friends, dealing with deployments, mental/emotional health concerns and availability of resources.
- iii. Purple Star Program: MCEC is National Advocate
- iv. Update School Quest site

d. National Military Family Association – Nicole Russell

- i. Advocates for the rights and needs of military families
- ii. Operation Purple Program – children and family summer camp experiences
- iii. Scholarships for spouses
- iv. Temporary Childcare Relief Fund
- v. Military Teen Survey
 - 1. 31% denied participation in extracurricular39% problems with transfer of credits, 36% expressed food insecurity, 87% low to moderate mental wellbeing (2000 surveyed)

e. US Department of Defense – Lori Phipps

- i. 50 State Update: Top challenges Military Student Identifier, issues related to COVID-19, staff shortages and MIC3 Awareness/Engagement. Best Practices: strong collaborations at local and state level, district/school recognition programs and virtual learning opportunities. State Legislation: Purple Star, Advanced Enrollment,
- ii. DOD & Service Initiatives: Military One Source
- iii. Changes of DODI 1342.29 in 7 states have been submitted.
- iv. State Report Card – strategic basing initiative. More information upcoming

11. Standing Committee Reports

a. Finance – Treasurer Craig Neuenswander (KS)

- i. **Dues & Budget FY2021:** NH still owes Dues
- ii. **Dues & Budget FY2022**
- iii. **Dues & Budget FY 2023-Proposed**
- iv. **State Compact Funding**

b. Compliance – Daron Korte (MN)

- i. **Annual Reporting**
 - 1. **Commissioner Vacancies:** 8 new commissioners, 3 vacancies
 - 2. **State Council Meetings**
 - 3. **State End-of-Year Reports:** online template (p.211)
 - a. **Annual deadline June 30th**
 - 4. **Code of conduct & conflict of interest Forms (p.23)**

c. Rules – Mary Gable (MD)

- i. **Policies: to be voted on**
 - 1. 1-2021 Staffing In-Person Meetings (p.59)
 - 2. 2-2021 Attendance by MIC3 Employees at in-person events (p.61)

3. 3-2021 Establishing Healthy/safety protocols for in-person MIC3 events (p.63)
- ii. New forms for unique cases located on MIC3 website

d. Communication & Outreach – Brian Henry (MO)

- i. Purple Up! MOMC
- ii. Successful Compact Transition Video Program: successful start. Would still like additional submitted. Parameters outlined (p.193-194)
- iii. Updated Toolkits

e. Training – Emise Singleton (LA)

- i. Survey 24 of 56 responded (ME & NH participated)
- ii. Use of multiple entities across the enterprise for educating parties about MIC3
- iii. In ME/NH I conduct training through many avenues including the DOE in Maine through presentation for Migrant family support amongst others.

12. Operations Audit – Brian Riggs, Consultant

- a. Constantly adjusting to change
- b. Raising awareness
- c. Engaged commissioners
- d. Strengths & Weaknesses – many positive and negative on the future of MIC3 in and out of COVID.

13. Commission Resources, Training and Support – Lindsey Dablow

- a. Compact Education – Training Update
- b. Website Walkthrough
- c. Training Resources & Support

14. The Compact & External Legislation – Cherise Imai

15. 2021 Elections – Rosemarie Kraeger (RI)

- a. Chair – Laura Anastasio (CT)
- b. Vice Chair -Ernise Singleton (LA)
- c. Treasurer – Brian Henry (MO)

16. Old Business

a. National Guard

- i. **Currently covered: Active Duty NGR and Title 10 – TABLED UNTIL NEXT ABM**
- ii. Possible options with possible projected costs
 1. COA 1: Amend the Compact \$761K
 2. COA 2: Amend Codes outside the Compact \$2K
 3. COA 3: Create an Enhanced Compact \$3-5K
 4. COA 4: Adopt a MOA \$3-8K
 5. COA 5: Take No Action

17. New Business

- a. Action Item: National Guard
- b. Action Item: FY 2023 Proposed Budget & Dues
- c. Consent Agenda: Policies
 - i. 1-2015 Awards Policy (revised): **Approved**
 - ii. 1-2021: **Approved**
 - iii. 2-2021: **Approved**
 - iv. 3-2021: **Approved**

18. Future Annual Business Meetings

- a. 2022 Louisiana – **Ernise Singleton (LA)**
- b. 2023 Virginia – **Daniel Dunham (VA)**

19. US Sec of Education: Dr. Miguel Cardona Special Guest

20. Announcements and Closing Comments

21. Adjournment

5. OBSERVATIONS AND ACTIONS:

- a.

6. RECOMMENDATIONS:

- a.