

North Dakota Military Interstate Children’s Compact Commission (MIC3)

**Tuesday, 22 Dec 2020 | 0900 - 1000 | Microsoft Teams**

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| **Attendance** |
|[x]  Kirsten Baesler (State Supt) |[x]  Gen Jackie Huber (NDNG) |[x]  Rep. Karen Karls |
|[x]  Mark Vollmer (Minot Supt) |[x]  Maj. Jay Sheldon (NDNG) |[x]  Davina French |
|[ ]  Terry Brenner (Grand Forks Supt) |[x]  Col Brett Black (5th MSG) |[x]  Jen Anderson (DPI Comms) |
|[ ]   |[x]  Racquel Labadie (Minot SLO) |[x]  Steve Snow |
|[ ]   |[ ]  Amiee Gillig (Grand Forks SLO) |[ ]   |
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| **Approval of Minutes** |
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| **Old Business** |
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| **New Business** |
| **Purple Star Program (Steve)*** Steve reviewed the Purple Star program and asked for permission to set up a sub-committee to develop the program under the Department of Public Instruction
* Steve suggested members include both SLOs, rep from National Guard, reps from the Grand Forks and Minot school districts and perhaps someone from the school counselor group
* Here are links for more information
	+ [Purple Star School Program | Military Key Issues (militaryonesource.mil)](https://statepolicy.militaryonesource.mil/key-issue/purple-star-school-program)
	+ Link to YouTube video about the Ohio program - [Purple Star Award Presentation at Eastwood High School - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lp3kHYb31Sw&feature=youtu.be)
	+ Link to information on the Ohio program - [Purple Star Designation | Ohio Department of Education](http://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Other-Resources/Ohio-Network-for-Military-Families-and-Veterans/Supporting-Ohio-s-Military-Families/Purple-Star-Award)

**National MIC3 information (Davina)*** Overview of national budget
* Briefed on the substance of the national meeting. Zoom was the platform, and all business was conducted in a very abbreviated manner, spending only 8 hours total.
* Talked briefly on the National Guard Task Force. The national MIC3 officer decided to spend the next year looking at the possibilities of supporting non-title 10 children. Too many avenues of research for a zoom call.

**Legislative Update (Kirsten)*** There may be legislation to allow the continuation of various forms of distance learning (post COVID)
* There are many details to work out (including possible impact on funding formula)
* Distance Learning could address two concerns for military families
	+ [Virtual School Enrollment | Military Key Issues (militaryonesource.mil)](https://statepolicy.militaryonesource.mil/key-issue/virtual-school-enrollment)
	+ [Advance Enrollment | Military Key Issues (militaryonesource.mil)](https://statepolicy.militaryonesource.mil/key-issue/advance-enrollment)
* We need to make the distinction between ‘home schooling’ and distance learning
	+ Home Schooling – the parent or guardian is responsible for the education of the child (selection of curriculum and learning material)
	+ Distance Learning – the resident school is responsible for the education of the child
* NDDPI tracks various statistics on North Dakota public schools including number of students taking face-to-face, distance learning, and hybrid (regularly scheduled combination of face-to-face and distance learning) at [Insights of North Dakota (nd.gov)](https://insights.nd.gov/Education/State/COVID)

**Military Update (Jay and Brett)*** The ND National Guard in on the bubble for a major deployment in 2021 to support the mission in DC
* The previous ‘stop movement’ orders are having less and less impact on PCS (Permanent Change of Station) moves
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| **Next Meeting** |
| Steve will send out Doodle poll for a meeting in the May/Jun timeframe |