



**Military Compact on Educational
Opportunity for Military Children
FLORIDA COUNCIL MEETING**

April 12, 2024

10:00 a.m. ET



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Call to Order

**Damera Hopkins,
School Counseling Consultant/Military Lead Contact**



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Welcome

**Dr. Peggy Aune,
Vice Chancellor for Strategic Improvement**



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Message from the Compact Commissioner

**Col. Terrance J. McCaffrey, USAF (Ret.),
Florida Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission (MIC3)**

Purpose of the Military Council

The Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children was developed jointly by the Council of State Governments' National Center for Interstate Compacts and the U.S. Department of Defense, with input from policy experts, national associations, teachers, school administrators, military families, and federal, state and local officials. The Compact eases interstate education transition challenges encountered by the children of active-duty service members such as enrollment, eligibility, placement and graduation. On average, military students will attend six to nine different school systems from kindergarten to 12th grade.

Florida is one of the original 11 states to adopt the Interstate Compact, placing it into statute (section 1000.36, Florida Statutes) in June 2008. The purpose of this Compact is to remove barriers to educational success imposed on children of military families because of frequent moves and deployment of their parents.



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Month of the Military Child/ “Purple Up!” Day

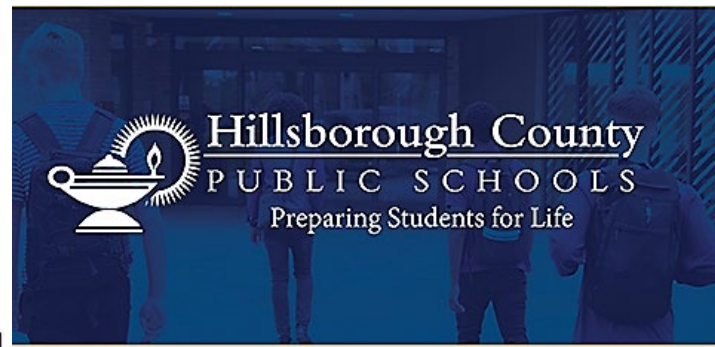
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Purple Star School of Distinction Reflection

**Tinker Elementary School
Hillsborough County School District
Rachel Walters, principal**



TINKER K-8



- Staff Immersion Program
- Anchored4Life – Onboarding
- Front Office Display
- Veteran's Day
- Month of the Military Child
- Yankee's Holiday Concert
- Club Fridays
- Wishing You Well Bell
- MCEE



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Purple Star School of Distinction Update

**Andria Cole, Chief,
Bureau of Family and Community Outreach**



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Updates from the Military Family Education Liaison

**Lisa Hill,
Military Family Education Liaison**



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Updates from the National Office

**Lindsey Dablow,
MIC3 Training and Operations Associate**



Updates from the School Liaison Officers

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