



North Carolina End-of-Year Report 2021-22

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I am the Compact Commissioner for:	North Carolina
The membership of the state's MIC3 council consists of the following: :	Mrs. Catherine Truitt, Supt. of Public Instruction - Dr. Angie Mullennix, State Superintendent's Designee Mr. Nick Sojka, Commissioner (Governor's Appointment) Rep. Donnie Loftis, Chairman (Senate Appointment) Rep. John Szoka (House of Representatives Appointment) Mrs. Jamie Livengood - Military Liasion Counselor - Wayne County (N.C.) Schools
Two points of contact for issues related to the Compact in my state are::	Note: additional appointments are pending with the North Carolina State Board of Education (superintendent of a military-connected district and representative of the North Carolina School Boards Association) Mr. Nick Sojka, Commissioner nickolassojka@ccs.k12.nc.us (910) 678-2304 Dr. Angie Mullennix, State Superintendent's Designee angie.mullennix@dpi.nc.gov (984) 236-2751
Accomplishments:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The Council provided a forum for a briefing on COVID-19 Impact Analysis for Military-Connected Students.2. The Council introduced a new statewide dispute resolution policy for local districts to employ in MIC3 matters.3. The Council obtained official Guard and Reserve support for a proposed state legislative change to bring Guard and Reserve families within the protections of the Compact.4. The Council clarified custody/caretaker documentation requirements for deploying personnel in connection with the extensive deployments to strengthen NATO's eastern flank.5. The Council continued to support expansion of Purple Star Award Recognitions for schools and districts throughout the state.
Activities:	The Council conducted well attended in-person, live-streamed meetings at the Education Building, Raleigh, NC on December 9, 2021 and March 22, 2022. State Superintendent Catherine Truitt addressed the Council on December 9, 2021.
Presentations:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Military Student Transcript Issues, NC Dept. of Public Instruction, 12/09/20212. North Carolina School Boards Association Military Families Policy, Dispute Resolution Provisions, Commissioner Sojka, 12/09/20213. SeymourJohnson AFB/Wayne County (NC) Schools On-base School

Initiative, Wayne County Schools, 12/09/2021

4. Military-Connected Students COVID-19 Impact Analysis, NC Dept. of Public Instruction, 03/22/2022.

5. 2021-2022 Purple Star Recognitions, Dr. Angie Mullennix, 03/22/2022

6. Custody/Caretaker Documentation for Deploying Personnel, Cumberland and Moore County (NC) Schools and Fort Bragg School Support Services, 03/22/2022.