

West Virginia End of Year Summary (FY 2021)

Please accept the following information in response to a request for MIC3 information.

- a) State Council membership roster.

MIC3 Compact Commissioner:

COL (Ret.) Christopher Cmiel retired in January of 2021. *While there has been no Compact Commissioner appointed by the Governor as a replacement, the process for appointment is being finalized.*

State Council Members:

State Superintendent of Schools

Mr. Clayton Burch

Superintendent of Cabell County Schools

Mr. Ryan Saxe

West Virginia Senate

Mr. Ryan R. Weld

West Virginia House of Delegates

Mr. Bill Anderson

An individual representing the executive branch of government, appointed by the Governor

Vacant and the process for appointment is being finalized

An individual representing a military installation in this state appointed by the Governor by and with the advice and consent of the Senate

Vacant and the process for appointment is being finalized

DOD Representative:

LTC Jason Pepper

b) Identify and/or confirm at least two points of contact for the member state.

Mr. Clayton Burch

West Virginia Department of Education

Office of the State Superintendent of Schools

State Superintendent of Schools

1-304-558-2681

Mr. Robert P. Mellace III

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Coordinator and Military Family Education Liaison

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c)

An online meeting was provided to State Council and Common Ground Partnership members who were in attendance on July 29, 2020. State Commissioner, COL (Ret.) Christopher Cmiel presented information about the Compact at the meeting. This PowerPoint presentation is now available for review on the WVDE's MIC3 website at <https://wvde.us/certification/military-partnerships-common-ground/military-interstate-childrens-compact-commission-mic3/>.

Information about MIC3 was distributed to all 55 County Superintendents in WV via e-mail as part of a State Superintendent's update on April 9, 2021. The WVDE has sent a message in the State Superintendent's update annually since 2015.

Information about MIC3 is being provided as part of required training for military family point of contacts as part of Purple Star Award activities. The application for the Purple Star Award was released on April 15, 2021, and issuance of the award will occur in December of 2021.

The West Virginia Board of Education announced a [resolution](#) recognizing April as Purple Up Month and supports for military children and their families during their April 15, 2021, meeting.