



MILITARY INTERSTATE
CHILDREN'S COMPACT
COMMISSION

Note from the Commission Chair

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Dear State Commissioners and Ex-Officio Members,

During these uncertain times, it seems certain that schools will begin the new year through onsite, online or a hybrid of instruction. And as states reopen, we can anticipate that interstate military transfers will increase as well, and we stand ready to help military-connected students navigate their transitions successfully. A true team effort, we will help every military family make it through these tough times.



Military families may look to us for information about starting/attending school during the COVID-19 pandemic. In addition to the weekly commission and state/district updates, useful resources and information can be found on our ex-officio websites:

- [National Military Family Association \(NMFA\)](#) offers information on topics ranging from preventing the spread of the disease, helping children as school starts, to the challenges of PCS-ing during these times.
- [Military Child Education Coalition \(MCEC\)](#) has a page devoted to COVID-19, with valuable seminars, webinars, and podcasts.
- [Military Impacted Schools Association \(MISA\)](#) offers links to a number of resources and organizations that military families may especially need. In the dropdown menu, click on *Resources for Families*.
- National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS). Visit the [NFHS news page](#) to view articles about how COVID-19 is impacting athletics and extra-curricular activities.
- The U.S. Department of Defense has links to service School Liaison Officer websites and resources:
 - [Air Force](#)
 - [Army School Support Services](#)
 - [Marines](#)
 - [Navy](#)
 - [Coast Guard](#)

Lastly, the virtual Annual Business Meeting is fast approaching. Mark your calendar for October 1-2 from 12:00PM - 4:00 PM Eastern Time. While we're not able to conduct the activities we normally would, we will address the business that needs to be taken care of - the online registration will be released this week.

Thank you for all that you do for military-connected children and I look forward to “seeing” you at the ABM.

Respectfully,
John I. "Don" Kaminar
Chair



NEW POLICY ADOPTED

A new Policy Development Policy (#1-2020) was passed by the Executive Committee on June 18, 2020. Developed by the Rules Committee, the policy outlines how Commission policies are developed, reviewed, approved, and distributed.

[View Policy](#)

FY20 END-OF-YEAR REPORTING

- Member state annual reports are typically due by June 30. Due to the pandemic, the report and annual state council meeting deadline has been **extended to Wednesday, September 30, 2020.**
- Review the *State Council Meeting Report* to ensure your meeting date is posted and provide your documentation (agenda and minutes) to the national office for your state archive. The report will be published in the Annual Report and the ABM Docket Book in September.
- Check your state webpage to ensure the information listed is accurate.
- For more information on state requirements, refer to *Policy #1-2017: State Coordination* or contact the national office for assistance.



**VIEW THE [STATE COORDINATION POLICY](#)
AND THE [STATE COUNCIL MEETING REPORT \(7/28/2020\)](#)**

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