

2021-2022 Arizona End-of-Year Report

The membership of the state's MIC3 council consists of the following members.

- Brig. Gen. Joseph Baldwin, National Guard Assistant for Director of the Army National Guard Staff, Arlington, Virginia
- Senator Sonny Borrelli, Member, Arizona State Senate
- Col. Charles Dudik, Commanding Officer, Marine Corps Air Station Yuma
- Col. James Greenwald, Ret., Senior Manager, Data Link Products at Collins Aerospace
- Maj. Gen. Anthony Hale, Commanding General, U.S. Army Intelligence Center of Excellence & Fort Huachuca
- Kathy Hoffman, State Superintendent of Public Instruction
- Brig. Gen. Gregory Kreuder, Commander, 56th Fighter Wing, Luke Air Force Base
- Gabriella (Gabee) Lepore, Representative from the Executive Branch
- Kim Lopez, Professor, ASU School of Education
- Col. Patrick McFall, Commander, U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground
- Maj. Gen. Kerry Muehlenbeck, Adjutant General of Arizona
- Bridget O'Neill, Teacher, Florence Unified School District
- Representative Joanne Osborne, Member, Arizona State House of Representatives
- Maj. Gen. Howard Purcell, Air Component Commander, Arizona Air National Guard
- James Sheldahl, Superintendent, Yuma Elementary School District
- Col. Joseph Turnham, Commander, 355th Wing, Davis-Monthan Air Force Base
- Nicola Winkel, Community Liaison, Arizona Coalition of Military Families

Two points of contact for issues related to the Compact in my state are:

- The Arizona MIC3 Primary Point of Contact is: Peter Laing – Arizona MIC3 Commissioner, Policy Advisor & Strategic Projects, Arizona Department of Education
- The Arizona MIC3 Secondary Point of Contact is: Bruce Duplanty - Deputy Associate Superintendent, Educator Preparation & Certification, Arizona Department of Education

Accomplishments:

- A new website was developed to support Arizona's military families, and to serve as a hub for MIC3 for the Arizona Department of Education at: https://www.azed.gov/parents/military-families
- Arizona's MIC3 State Council met on December 9, 2021. An additional meeting is being scheduled for late Summer 2022, in preparation for the MIC3 Annual Meeting in October 2022.
- The Arizona Department of Education actively celebrated Purple Up! For Military Kids Day and the Month of the Military Child via releases through social media.
- Arizona also worked to further finalize processes in support of recognizing Purple Star Schools.



Activities:

- Arizona's MIC3 designee attended the MIC3 virtual 2021 Annual Business Meeting.
- The Commissioner met with and coordinated with state SLOs virtually in Fall 2021.
- Arizona's State Council met on December 9, 2021. An additional meeting is being scheduled for late Summer 2022, in preparation for the MIC3 Annual Meeting in October 2022.
- The Commissioner supported four issues raised by SLOs with information and troubleshooting, one of which involved a coordinated resolution to a MIC3 issue for a student involving California's MIC3 Commissioner.