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Military Families: Our Next-Door Neighbors

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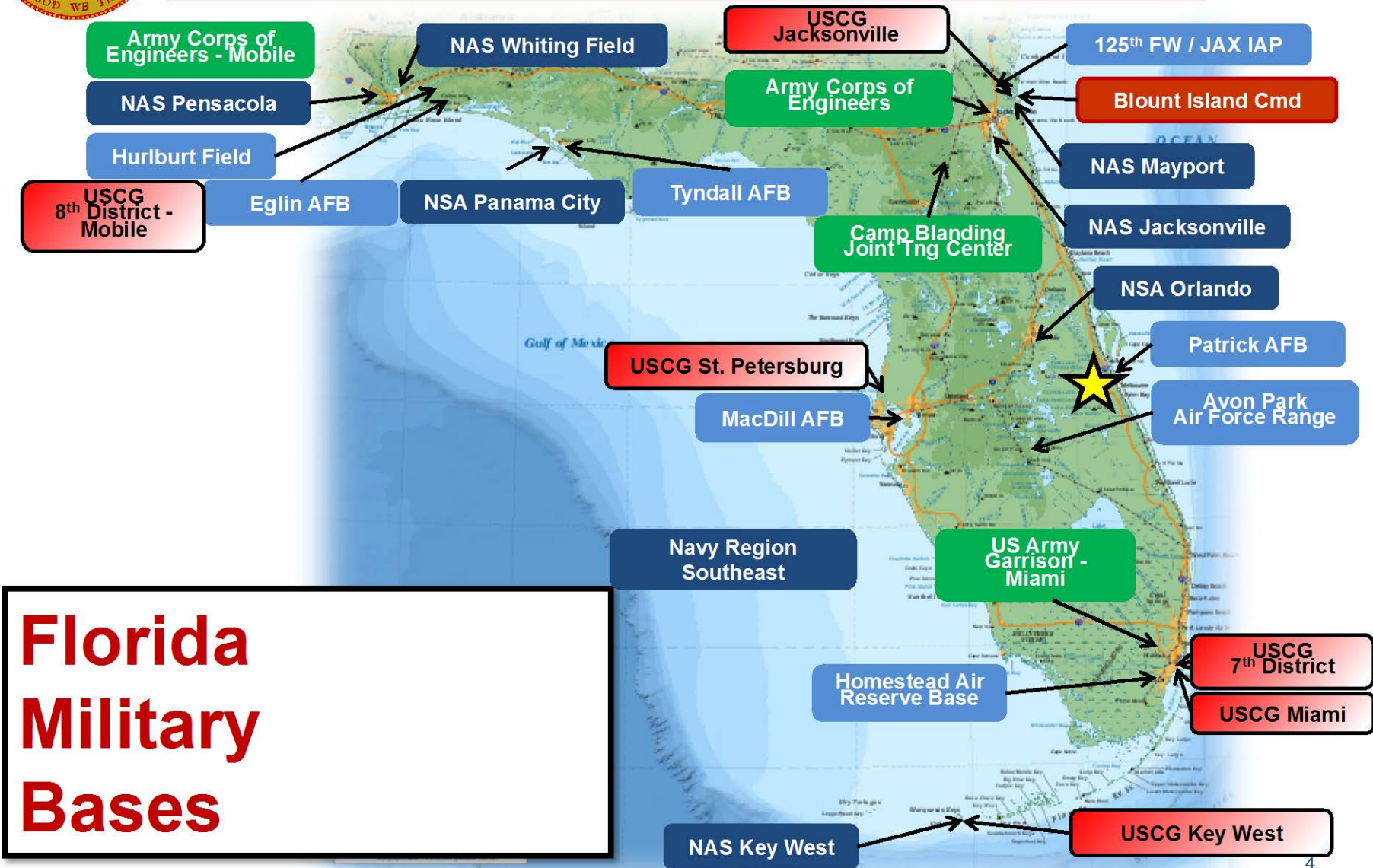
Learning Objectives

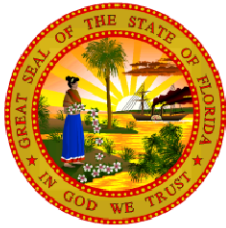
- Raise awareness that military families are closer than we think
- Describe the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Families
- Discuss challenges faced by children of military families transferring into and out of Florida
- Facilitate dialogue among local student service personnel responsible for support services for military families



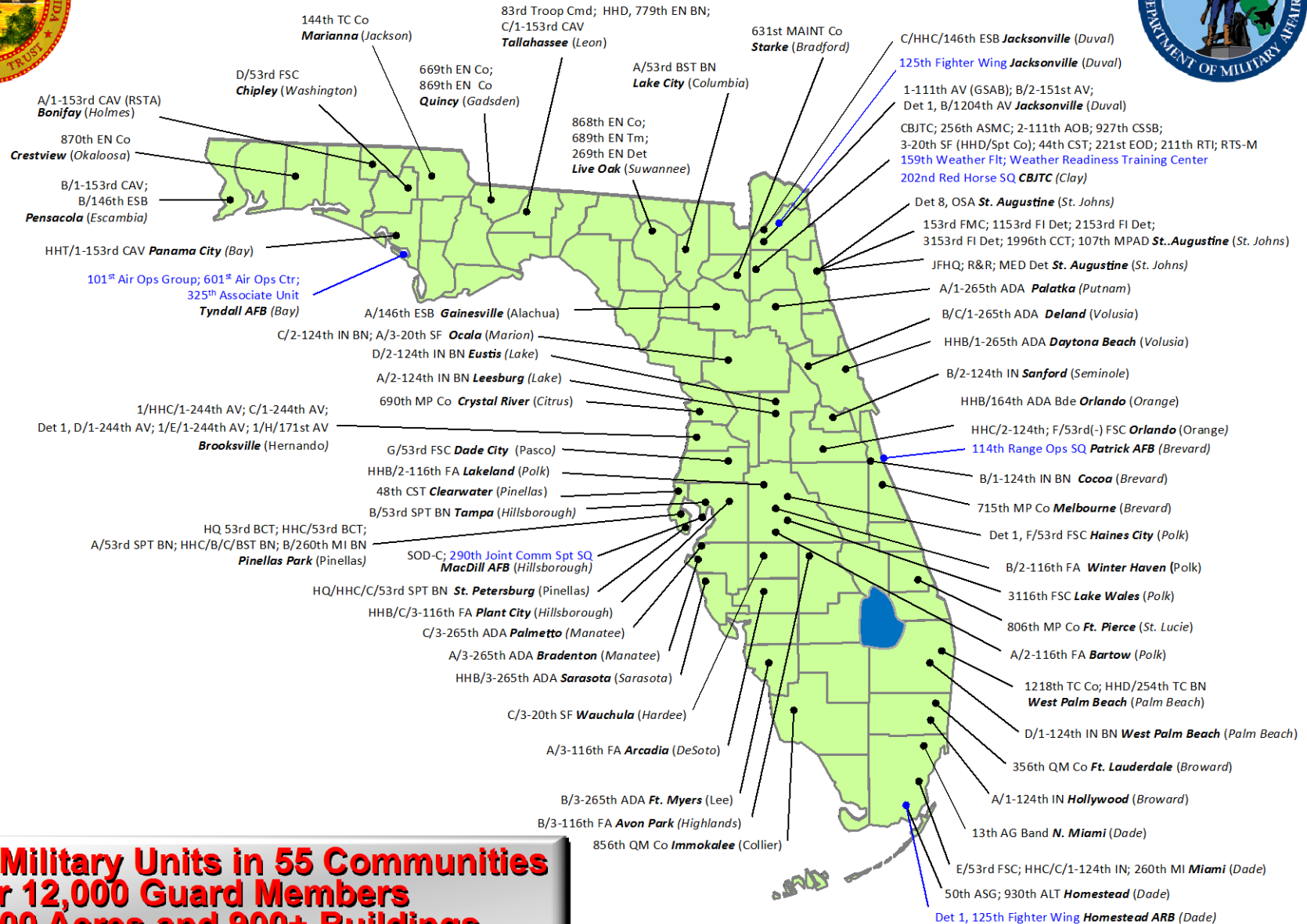


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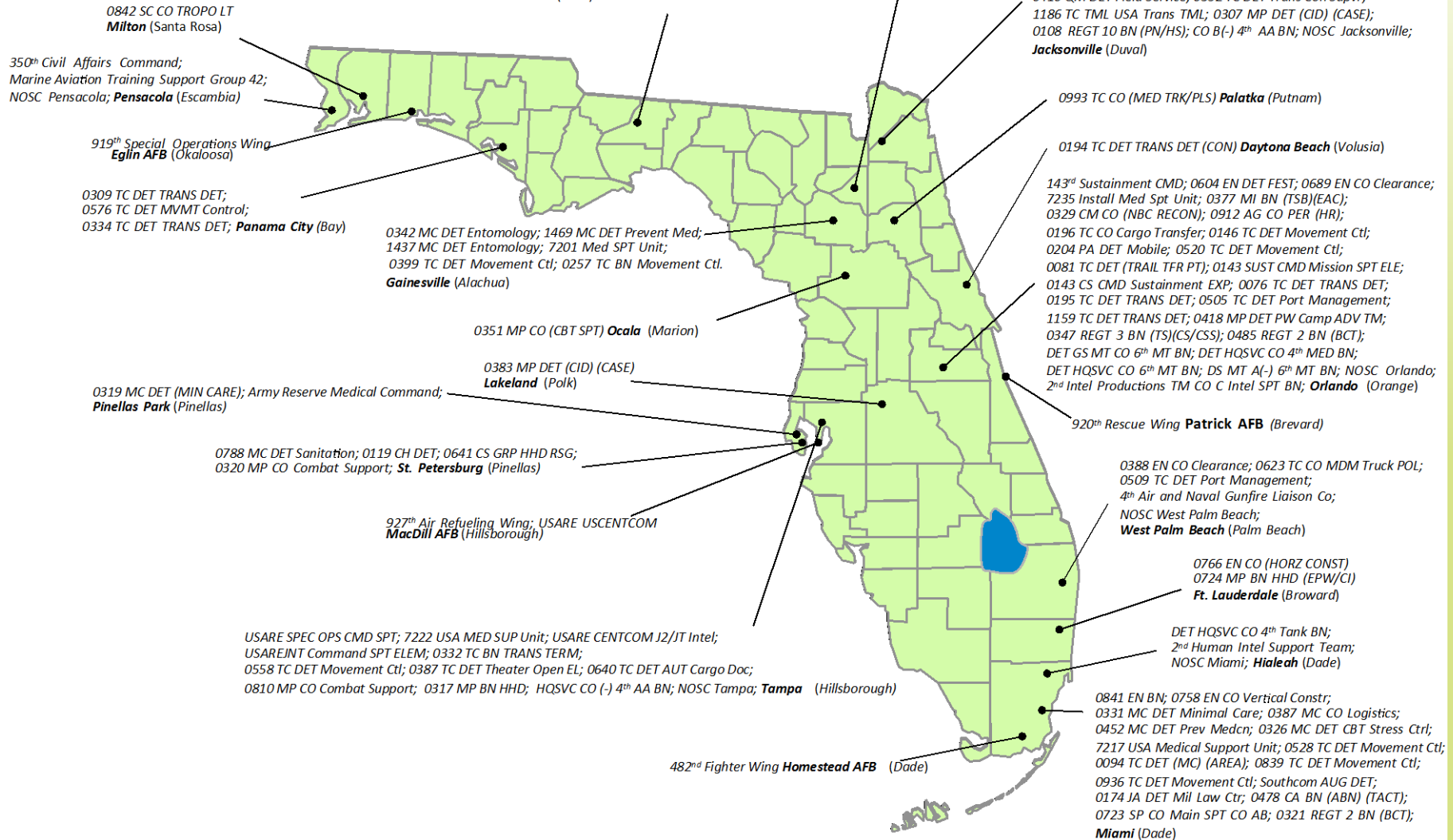
Florida National Guard Units



128 Military Units in 55 Communities
Over 12,000 Guard Members
82,000 Acres and 900+ Buildings



Florida Military Reserve Units





Understanding Children of Military Families



Key Issues Affecting Military Students

Academic Issues

- Typical student experiences between 6-9 transitions
- Adjustment to New School Setting
- Transfer of Services for Special Education
- Incompatible Graduation Requirements
- Redundant / Missed Testing
- Transfer of Coursework and Grades
- Transfer of Records
- Exclusion from Extra-curricular Activities



Key Issues Affecting Military Students

Interpersonal Issues Affecting Performance

- Social and Emotional Needs–New Friends/Peers
- 1 in 15 military dependents have lost a parent to war
- Typical deployments vary from 45 days – 1+ years
- Deployments can be sudden / no notice
- Recent AF survey showed that even parents who don't deploy cope more poorly due to increased work load
- Issues can also begin during reintegration when the military member returns



Background and Status

- Developed by The Department of Defense, with assistance from The Council of State Governments
- Input and assistance from national associations, federal and state officials, and departments of education and superintendents
- Adopted by all 50 states and the District of Columbia (Nearly 100 percent of military school-age children in the US)



Major Points

- The Compact addresses key educational transition issues encountered by military families including enrollment, placement, attendance, eligibility and graduation.
- Children of active duty members of the uniformed services, National Guard and Reserve on active duty orders, and members or veterans who are medically discharged or retired for one year are eligible for assistance under the Compact.



Compact Content



Article I – Purpose

Article II – Definitions

Article III – Applicability

Article IV – Enrollment

Article V – Placement and
Attendance

Article VI – Eligibility

Article VII – Graduation

Article VIII – State
Coordination

Article IX – Interstate
Commission



Article IV - Enrollment

Educational Records

Immunizations

Entrance Age (Kindergarten)



Article V - Placement and Attendance



Course and Program Placement

Special Education Services

Placement Flexibility

Absence Related to Deployment



Article VI – Eligibility



Enrollment
&
Extracurricular
Participation



Article VII – Graduation

From Receiving State

From Sending State

Exit Exams



National Commission Duties

- Establish by-laws for the Commission's governance and for directing the Commission's actions or conduct.
- Establish rules to effectively and efficiently achieve the purposes of the Compact.
- Monitor compliance and initiate interventions to address and correct noncompliance.
- Coordinate training and education regarding regulations.
- Elect the Executive Committee and establish other committees as necessary.



State Governance

- State coordination is governed by Article VIII of the Interstate Compact.
- Each State has:
 - State Commissioner
 - State Council
 - Military Family Education Liaison



Role of State Commissioner...

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- Promote the Compact Mission & Purpose
- Develop and maintain relationships:
 - National Office
 - Education Departments
 - State Council Members
 - School Liaison Officers
 - Other Commissioners
 - Military Installations



State Council Responsibilities

- Serve as an advisory and advocacy body
- May be tasked with development of policy concerning operations and procedures of the compact within that state.
- Assist the State Commissioner with their responsibilities.
- Promote and advocate the Interstate Compact to school administrators
- State Compact language may differ from the Model, particularly as related to members of the state council (refer to the Compact as adopted in your state.)



Role of National Office

Secretary/Clearinghouse to the Commission

- Documents
- Meeting Minutes
- Commission Business

Resource Center

- Technical & Training Assistance
- Publications
- Website
- Directory of States Compact Offices
- Legal Assistance/Opinions



MIC3 Website
www.MIC3.net

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communication/resource center

Updated frequently

Directory of State
Compact Offices

Discussion Forums

MIC3 Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission

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2014 ANNUAL MEETING

Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission
2014 Annual Meeting

ELIGIBILITY | GRADUATION | ENROLLMENT | PLACEMENT

Common Core State Standards

The statement on CCSS from the Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission can be found here:

CCSS

MIC3 in Your State

Use our interactive map to keep up-to-date with compacts around the U.S.

Helpful Links

- Press Release: NEW YORK MAKES SO!!!
- Press Release: New Hampshire Adopts the Compact
- MIC3 News, Views, and Transitions-- Spring 2014 Issue
- MIC3 Rules
- MIC3 Advisory Opinion: 01-2013

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Resources

- Presentations
- Manuals
- Supplemental Materials
- Rules
- Legal

Resolving Education Transition Issues for Military Families

Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children

MIC3
Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission

What Are the Issues?
Military families encounter school challenges for their children for enrollment, scheduling, placement and graduation due to frequent relocations in various parts of the country.

What is the Compact?
The Compact provides for the uniform treatment of military children transferring between school districts in states. It was developed by The Council of State Governments' National Center for Interstate Compacts, the Department of Defense, national associations, federal and state officials, departments of education, school administrators and military families.

How Do States Agree to Join Under the Compact?
Each state must adopt the Compact through their legislative process. Participation is voluntary. Each state appoints representatives to a governing commission responsible for meeting, reviewing and implementing the Compact. Each participating state also creates a state council based on the requirements of their state legislation.

How Do I Learn More About the Compact?
The details of the Interstate Commission website at: www.mic3.net

Who Are Children Eligible for Assistance Under the Compact?
Children of:

- Active duty members of the uniformed services, National Guard and Reserves
- Members or veterans who are medically discharged or retired
- Members who die on active duty

Who Are Children Not Eligible for Assistance Under the Compact?
Children of:

- Inactive members of the National Guard and Reserves
- Members who are not on active duty
- Veterans not covered above
- Department of Defense personnel, federal agency civilians and other non-military active duty

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RESOLVING EDUCATION TRANSITION ISSUES FOR MILITARY FAMILIES

Guide for Parents, School Officials and Public Administrators

Interstate Commission on Educational Opportunity for Military Children

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CONTACT MIC3 In The United States

INTERACTIVE MAP Choose a state to view that MIC3 member. Use the link to obtain a comprehensive view of the membership.

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STATE PROFILES

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MIC3 In the United States Interactive Map



Interstate Compact Issues Case Studies

- Kindergarten/1st grade entry
- Enrollment
- Placement
- Eligibility
- Extra-curricular
- Exit Exams
- Graduation
- Each situation is unique – gather all the information before determining how the Compact applies





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Contact the Commission

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Guided Discussion

- Adverse Experiences/Emotional Impact
 - Frequent Moves
 - Recurring Separation/Deployment
 - Possibility Death or Physical Injury of Parent
- Strengths to Build On
 - Strong Family Bonds
 - Resilience
 - Adaptability
 - Independence
 - Cross Cultural Experiences



Additional Resources

- <http://mic3.net/>
- www.fldoe.org/military
- <http://sss.usf.edu>
 - <http://sss.usf.edu/resources/topic/familycommunity/index.html>
 - http://sss.usf.edu/resources/format/pdf/military_bases.pdf
- <http://www.militarychild.org/>





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Thank you!

