



## INTERSTATE COMPACT ON THE EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY FOR MILITARY CHILDREN

The goal of the Compact is to replace the widely varying policies affecting transitioning military students. The Compact leverages consistency: It uses a comprehensive approach that provides a consistent policy in every school district and in every state that chooses to join. 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, commissioned officers of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and the United States Public Health Service (USPHS), and members or veterans who are medically discharged or retired for one year are eligible for assistance under the Compact.

While the compact is not exhaustive in its coverage, it does address the key issues encountered by military families:

- Eligibility
- Enrollment
- Grade placement
- Inclusion in extracurricular activities
- Graduation

In addition, the compact provides for a detailed governance structure at both the state and national levels with built-in enforcement and compliance mechanisms.

More information on the Compact can be found at [Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission](#) , including:

Handouts and Power Points on the Interstate Compact  
State Commissioner Directory