To: MIC-3 Leadership

From: Dr. Debra Jackson, NYS Commissioner

**Subject:** Summary Report on the New York State Interstate Council for Military Children as required by MIC-3 Policy

**Policy:** By June 30 of each year, member States shall submit the following information regarding their State Council to the national office:

- a) contact information
- b) roster of active members
- c) meeting schedule
- d) key activities
- A. The contact for the NYS Council is Dr. Debra Jackson, Commissioner. A secondary contact is Mr. Robert Conway, Counsel for the Division of Military and Naval Affairs. Djackson2@me.com; robert.g.conway.nfg@mail.mil.
- B. The NYS Interstate Council has an active roster of members as named below. Representation includes: New York State Education Department, NYS Universities, School District Leaders, Office of Veterans Affairs, NYS Public High School Athletic Association, Military Installations, School Liaison Officers, the State Legislature and the Governor's Office.
- C. The council met for the school year 2018/2019 on September 19, 2018 and March 26, 2019 in Albany, New York at the New York State Museum (Huxley Auditorium). The meetings are open to the public in compliance with open meeting law. Agendas and Minutes are posted on the MIC-3 website.

## D. Notable Activities:

- a. The Q&A for Interstate Compact on the New York State Education Department webpage continues to be updated and is recognized as a living document. The most recent update is April 2019.
- b. A sample template for out-of-state schools, and credit guidance on combination courses not offered in New York State was developed and posted on the SED website as the council recognized the need to support schools in meeting the requirements for military student to receive credit toward graduation for out-of-state coursework.

- c. Assessment exemption codes were established for all approved NYS student management systems to eliminate any negative ramifications as districts implement the Interstate Compact requirements in Part 100 of the regulations.
- d. A calendar for future New York State Interstate Compact Meetings has been established through 2023.
- e. Out-reach to all athletic directors statewide continues through the efforts of NYSPHSAA leadership. In 2019 a second leader from NYSPHSAA was added to serve on the council.
- f. Clarification has been provided on the Regent's Diploma options for military families and school districts in light of the alternative routes.
- g. Student placement/graduation requirements/enrollment matters continue to be resolved on a case-by-case examination. Resolutions are reviewed at the meetings as an after-issue/next steps conversation. Between meetings frequent emails and phone conversations are facilitated to help with student transitions as they enter and exit New York State.
- h. All voting members appointed to the council have been updated in JCOPE as policy-makers. The required ethics training for each appointment is up-to-date at this time.

### Addendum:

Future scheduled meeting dates: October 2, 2019

April 1, 2020 October 14, 2020

April 7, 2021 October 13, 2021

April 6, 2022 October 12, 2022

March 29, 2023 October 11, 2023

#### ARTICLE 66

# INTERSTATE COMPACT ON EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY FOR MILITARY CHILDREN (June 2019)

§ 3308.

In New York, the state council shall include the commissioner or his or her designee, Marybeth Casey (Director, Office of Curriculum Services)

the director of the New York state division of veterans' affairs or his or her <u>designee</u>, **Joel Evans** (Executive Deputy Director, NYS Division of Veterans' Affairs)

the adjutant general of the state of New York or his or her <u>designee</u>, Robert Conway (Designated Representative of The Adjutant General Director of Legal Affairs and Counsel for Major General Raymond F. Shields, Jr., Adjutant General and Commander of the NY Army National Guard)

a superintendent of a school district with a high concentration of military children appointed by the commissioner, Frank Sheboy (Superintendent, Highland Falls - Fort Montgomery CSD)

a district superintendent of schools of a board of cooperative educational services serving an area with a high concentration of military children appointed by the commissioner, Stephen Todd (District Superintendent, Jefferson-Lewis-Hamilton-Herkimer-Oneida Board of Cooperative Educational Services)

a representative from a military installation appointed by the governor,  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{TBD}}$ 

a representative of military families appointed by the governor, TBD

a public member appointed by the governor Debra Jackson

and one representative each appointed by the speaker of the assembly, Lisa Beatha (University Director of Veterans Affairs for the City University of New York Central Office)

the temporary president of the senate TBD

and the governor James Koch

- 2. The state council of each member state shall appoint or designate a military family education liaison to assist military families and the state in facilitating the implementation of this compact. Michi Carl & Matt Rogers (School Liaison Officers)
- 3. The compact commissioner responsible for the administration and management of the state's participation in the compact shall be appointed by the governor or as otherwise determined by each member state. **Debra Jackson**

## 2018 - 2019 NYS COUNCIL ROSTER

DR. DEBRA JACKSON New York Interstate Compact Commissioner

**MARYELLEN ELIA** Commissioner of Education | New York State Education Department

**MARYBETH CASEY** Office of Curriculum and Instruction | New York State Education Department

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**JOEL EVANS** Executive Deputy Director | New York State Veterans' Affairs

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**DR. ROBERT ZAYES** Executive Director | New York State Public High School Athletic Association

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