

**New York State Interstate Compact Council
Meeting Agenda
Wednesday September 19, 2018
10:30 AM - 3:00 PM**

New York State Museum
Cultural Education Center
222 Madison Avenue
Albany, NY 12230

Topics:

1. Update on MIC-3 dues increase
2. Maryland inquiry on end-of-course-exam options
3. Template design options for out-of-state principal signoffs
4. Share current issues brought to the Compact Council members

Attendees: New York State Council Members and ex-officio members

Facilitator: Debra Jackson

Note Taker: Matt Rogers

Time Keeper: Matt Rogers

Meeting Objective:

Review implementation status of the NYS Interstate Compact for Military Children and provide suggestions for future action steps

To prepare for this meeting, please:

- Confirm your attendance (email: djackson2@me.com)
- Consider additional items for discussion to be included in the “parking lot”

Schedule: [240 minutes]

Time	Minutes	Activity				
10:00 – 10:30		Arrival and set-up with a special thank you to Albert Gnidica, NYSM, for hosting our meeting				
10:30 – 10:35	5	Welcome				
10:35 – 10:40	5	Review plus/deltas from our previous meeting: <table border="1" style="width: 100%; margin-top: 5px;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: center;">Plus</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Delta</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">•</td> <td style="text-align: center;">•</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Plus	Delta	•	•
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10:40 – 10:45	5	Accept minutes from the following meeting: 4/21/2018; (NOTE ATTACHMENT)				
10:45 – 11:30	45	Old Business <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Review implementation of “End of course testing waivers”, “like coursework”, and physical education requirements for graduation New Business				

		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Discussion on suggested templates to be shared on the website with out – of – state principals; options approved by the council to be voted upon for public access 2. NYS PR efforts to be reviewed; documents on revised MIC3 site to be examined 3. NYS data questions/concerns from the field 				
11:30 – 12:30	30	1: Roundtable discussion: Current unresolved matters and recent challenges brought to members <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Health physicals b) PE credits c) Career Exploration Program (CEP) d) Maryland SED end of course exam inquiry 				
12:30 – 1:00	30	LUNCH break (and conversation)				
1:00 – 1:45	45	Update on MIC3 <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Upcoming meeting in Cleveland, October 2018 b) Dues increase c) Council of State Gov. (Kentucky) update d) NYS dues 2018 (paid) 				
1:45 to 2:15	30	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. “Parking Lot” items 2. New Business 3. Public Comment 				
2:15 to 2:45	30	Determine future action steps and future meeting dates				
2:45 to 2:55	10	Assess what worked well about this meeting and what we would have liked to change: <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">Plus</th> <th style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">Delta</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">•</td> <td style="text-align: center;">•</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Plus	Delta	•	•
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2:55 to 3:00	5	Closing Comments				

ARTICLE 66

INTERSTATE COMPACT ON EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY FOR MILITARY CHILDREN

§ 3308.

In New York, the state council shall include the commissioner or his or her designee, **Marybeth Casey**

the director of the New York state division of veterans' affairs or his or her designee, **COL Eric Hesse**

the adjutant general of the state of New York or his or her designee, **Robert Conway**

a superintendent of a school district with a high concentration of military children appointed by the commissioner, **Frank Sheboy**

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**

a representative from a military installation appointed by the governor, **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**

the temporary president of the senate **Sal Nicosia**

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**

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**

4. The compact commissioner and the military family education liaison designated herein shall be ex-officio members of the state council, unless either is already a full voting member of the state council.

NOTE: DODEA will appoint an ex-officio military liaison (ARMY). **COL Michael Yankovich**

NYS Interstate Compact Council Meeting
Wednesday, 19 September, 2018
NYS Museum, Albany, NY

Present: Jackson, Conway, Casey, Nicosia, Beatha, Carl, Rogers
Guests: 1

Minutes

Meeting called by Dr. Jackson at 10:36. The council discussed updates in their respective fields, as well as Interstate Compact usage since the April meeting.

Dialogue included new coding in school accountability systems for students who utilize the Interstate Compact in lieu of taking certain Regents examinations. It was also mentioned that this is an appropriate time to propose any amendments to the New York State statute in order to have it amended in the beginning of 2019.

The Council reviewed and approved the minutes from the prior meeting on 4/17/18 (motion to approve by Beatha, seconded by Casey). The minutes were unanimously approved.

Members discussed a suggestion to consider adding to the posted Q/A regarding “local control” to ensure new families recognize that a school district has the option to mandate a child attempt Regents Examination even if a comparable exams proved the child proficient. The group also dialogued on the clarity of the new Physical Education requirements for transfer students. Even though a student may transfer in with sufficient PE credits required for graduation in New York State, they will still be required to enroll into PE and participate until they graduate. The group also reviewed proficiency for homeschoolers on Regents Exams. Because a homeschool student does not fall under a school district’s accountability, data on proficiency for homeschool students who take examinations are not publically reported by the Education Department. There was further discussion about military families who homeschool.

The group collaborated in order to develop and approve a template to be available on the New York State Education Department (NYSED) website as a resource when a military transfer student's sending school principal needs to send a letter verifying proficiency towards a comparable New York State Regents Examination. The template is formatted so that a sending school’s principal can attest to and match a Regents Examination to a comparable exam from the sending state. Since the amending of the NYSED Regulations in 2017 to better align with the Interstate Compact Legislation, high school counselors and administrators have asked for a generic template. The completed template (motion to approve by Beatha, seconded by Nicosia) was unanimously approved and will be distributed to area military-connected high schools and posted on the NYSED website for immediate usage to better assist transitioning military students.

The group broke for lunch at 12:30 p.m..

The meeting reconvened at 1:15 p.m.. The group discussed on-going public relations efforts for our council in regards to MIC3. Dr. Jackson is continuing to lobby on a state level at meetings. It was mentioned that Superintendent Todd

has highlighted the council's effort at District Superintendent's meetings. Lisa Beatha and Dr. Jackson are working to get more exposure to MIC-3 into the New York City region. It was also noted by Dr. Jackson that videos were being developed by MIC-3 to assist in spreading a clear message.

It was mentioned that New York State adopted a new universal health physical form for use in public schools. The form also is mandated to be signed by a New York physician. This may pose a problem for transferring military families. The issue was to be further addressed by Mary Beth Casey to a contact at the NYSED Nursing Department for any possible flexibility.

Discussion was had about the upcoming national MIC-3 conference in Ohio. Awareness was provided by Dr. Jackson to the group about the dues increase nationwide. She also made our group aware that the New York State Council does follow all MIC3 guidelines.

The council members proposed future meeting dates and it was determined twice a year, in early October and early April, with consideration for spring break, would be best. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 26th, 2019 at the NYS Museum in Albany, NY. The group was very appreciative toward the Museum for allowing council meetings to be held in their location, as well as allowing the Council to utilize Museum resources.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:04 p.m..