MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 5, 2015

TO: Local and Intermediate School District Superintendents
Public School Academy Directors

FROM: Brian J. Whiston, State Superintendent

SUBJECT: Michigan Council on Educational Opportunity for Military Children

In accordance with Public Act 260 of 2008 (MCL 2.1041), the Michigan Council on Educational Opportunity for Military Children was formed on October 27, 2015. The Council provides coordination among Michigan government agencies, educational agencies, and military installations concerning Michigan’s participation and compliance with the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunities for Military Children.

There are over 3,500 school aged children of active military families attending schools across Michigan. The formation of the Michigan Council assures protection and support for these military families and their children.

The Michigan Military Family Education Liaison, Kevin Walters, is the point of contact for assisting military families with educational issues such as eligibility for transfer and enrollment, student records, immunization, kindergarten and first grade entrance, and graduation requirements. Districts can contact the Education Liaison for any questions regarding compliance and/or support of the Compact in Michigan.

Additional information on the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunities for Military Children can be found at http://www.mic3.net/. For information on this communication, contact Kevin Walters at 517-335-0543 or WaltersK5@michigan.gov.

cc: Michigan Education Alliance