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All our students deserve access to a high-quality public education regardless of circumstance. This vision of equity for all students is essential to meeting the needs of our military members and military-connected families. They often make many sacrifices as they serve our nation.

Knowing that our military-connected K-12 students need additional support to ensure smooth educational transitions, the Arizona Department of Education is proud to recognize April as the Month of the Military Child. This year's theme *is Purple Up! For Military Kids* encourages communities to support their military member and military-connected families and invites individuals to participate in community events and wear purple.

As a member of the Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission (MIC3), which includes all fifty states, the District of Columbia, and the Department of Defense Education Activity schools, Arizona is proud to support the K12 military students who move into our communities. I hope our continued support of high-quality public education for all students will impact their lives positively.

I want to thank the men and women who support these students through their roles as school liaison officers. Your work is invaluable to ensuring the academic success of our students.

Best,

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