COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

**R***esolution for Enhancing Collaboration with*

*Military Organizations and Providing Supports to Military Families*

**WHEREAS**, our country owes daily freedoms and safety to members of the Armed Forces, their family members, and loved ones who share in their service and sacrifice; and

**WHEREAS,** we celebrate the exceptional service, strength, and character of military-connected students and families in \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

County Schools; and

**WHEREAS**, we acknowledge that military families face unique challenges due to deployments throughout our state, country, and the world, service in combat zones, reintegration, and frequent relocations based on duty assignments; and

**WHEREAS;** the School Board of County Schools affirms their commitment to providing resources and programs to

support military-connected students academically, socially, and emotionally; and

**WHEREAS,** we acknowledge the important role military organizations can embrace in cooperating with school districts to provide for career exploration opportunities and supporting the success of ALL students;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:** That the School Board of County Schools officially supports all military

children and families and plans to work with schools across the district to accomplish the following:

1. Provide military families with information about where to find supportive programs and resources on the county school district’s website
2. Provide those involved in school administration and enrollment with information about the Military Interstate Children’s Compact Commission (MIC3) and its provisions which support successful educational transitions for military families who are relocating to West Virginia
3. Motivate school administrators to identify military children and provide them with supports which focus on building encouragement and resiliency during times when a family member is being deployed
4. Encourage schools to participate in military friendly activities which lead to application for a Purple Star Award designation from the West Virginia Department of Education
5. Provide students a military career exploration day within each high school, where local military representatives may hold voluntary seminars and display information about their career opportunities
6. Establish a voluntary student exit process which includes opportunities for military personnel to provide guidance about the benefits of graduating from high school to any students considering dropping out of school
7. Work with local military partners to identify personnel in the region who may specialize in substance abuse prevention and encourage them to participate in school activities designed to combat drug use

8 County Schools officials will meet annually with military partners to discuss youth leadership programs, resources

for college and career readiness including entrance exam preparation, and protocols for school interactions between students and military personnel throughout the district

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the School Board of County Schools encourages all school staff and community

members to initiate, support, and participate in appreciation activities designed to recognize the exceptional role and unique sacrifices our military-connected youth and their families make in our nation’s best interest; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That a copy of this resolution be spread across the official minutes

*This example resolution is provided by the West Virginia Department of Education to provide considerations for local school districts*

*to develop their own unique resolutions for enhancing collaboration with military organizations and providing supports to military families.*