

School Connection Letter

A supportive and understanding school environment is crucial for youth during deployments. Use the following letter template to communicate the upcoming deployment with your child's key support networks. Be sure to direct any educational professional to your CYP coordinators for further support and training material.

Dear (**Teacher/School Counselor/Administrator Name**),

(**Service Member Name**), the (**Parent, Step-Parent, Guardian, Sibling etc.**) of (**Child's Name**), is (**currently/ preparing to etc.**) deploy(ed) with the National Guard.

I am writing to make you aware of these changes because you are a valuable resource to our child. Over the course of the deployment and into the months after (**Service Member's Name**) returns home, we will experience a great deal of change. Therefore, we would appreciate open communication regarding any insights you notice during this time. Please keep me informed and communicate any concerns with (**Child's Name**) during this school year. I will also work to communicate anything I notice.

Thank you for your support and understanding. If you would like to learn more about resources or trainings for educators who support military youth, please contact the Michigan National Guard Child and Youth Program. Their contact information is listed below.

Sincerely,

(**Parent, Step-Parent, Guardian, etc.**)

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