



Pathway to the Future

Dear Parent/Guardian:

As part of the accountability requirements under the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), the U.S. Department of Education is requiring that school districts identify students who are Armed Forces Family Members. These students will be part of a new accountability subgroup.

The Armed Forces Family Member information will be collected on a yearly basis.

What is the definition of an “Armed Forces Family Member”?

A student is considered to be an Armed Forces Family Member if at least one parent is an Armed Forces member, on active duty or serves on full-time National Guard duty. The terms “armed forces,” “active duty,” and “full-time National Guard duty” as defined by Sections 101(a)(4), 101(d)(1), and 101(d)(5) of the United States Code are:

- 101(a) (4) – The term “armed forces” means the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard.
- 101(d) (1) – The term “active duty” means full-time duty in the active military service of the United States. Such term includes full-time training duty, annual training duty, and attendance, while in the active military service, at a school designated as a service school by law or by the Secretary of the military department concerned. Such term does not include full-time National Guard duty.
- 101 (d) (5) – The term “full-time National Guard duty” means training or other duty, other than inactive duty, performed by a member of the Army National Guard of the United States or the Air National Guard of the United States in the member's status as a member of the National Guard of a State or territory, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, or the District of Columbia under Section 316, 502, 503, 504, or 505 of Title 32 of the United States Code, for which the member is entitled to pay from the United States or for which the member has waived pay from the United States.

Please complete this form and return it to your child’s school office

Student First Name: _____ **Last Name:** _____ **ID#** _____

School: _____ **Grade:** _____ **Birthdate:** _____

Student Military Identifier number: _____

United States Armed Forces Information: (Required annually by U.S. Department of Education)

Is either parent/guardian on Active Duty in the Armed Forces?

(Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marines, Navy or member of any reserve forces) **NO** _____ **YES** _____

******If yes, please provide parent/guardian name:** _____ **and relationship to student** _____.

(If both parents/guardians are on active duty, please complete a form for each parent. Additional forms are available in school offices or online at www.berryessa.k12.ca.us/OUR-DISTRICT/Education-Services/Enrollment-Process/index.html.)

If yes, please indicate which service:

- Air Force Air Force Reserve Air National Guard Army Army Reserve Army National Guard
- Coast Guard Coast Guard Reserve Marine Corps Marine Corps Reserve Navy Navy Reserve

If active duty, please indicate the date duty began: Month _____ **Year** _____

Current status: Active Duty, deployed Active duty, not deployed Discharged Inactive

Injured Killed in action Retired Student Military Identifier only Transitioning out of active duty

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