

Graves County Schools
Military Connections Parent/Guardian Form

Please complete a form for each parent/guardian currently serving as an active duty member of the U.S. Armed Forces. If at any time throughout the school year the military status of a parent/guardian changes, please contact your child's school to report the change.

Student Name: _____	Grade: _____
Parent/Guardian Name with a military connection: _____	

As part of the **Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)**, the U.S. Department of Education requires school districts to identify students who are armed forces family members. The collection of this data will be reported to the federal government and used in state reporting. More information regarding this data collection can be found on the U.S. Education Department's website under ESSA Transition.

What is the definition of an "armed forces family member" for ESSA?

A student is considered to be an Armed Forces Family Member (military connected) if at least one parent or guardian is a member of the armed forces, or serves on active duty, or serves on full-time National Guard duty.

Armed Forces includes: Army, Navy Air Force, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard.

Active Duty Status 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. Such term does not include full-time National Guard duty.

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 for which the member is entitled to pay from the United States or for which the member has waived pay from the United States.

For the purpose of data collection, please mark all that apply:

_____ **No** parent or guardian currently serving as an active duty member of the U.S. Armed Forces, or full-time National Guard.

_____ **Yes** a parent/guardian is a current member of the active duty U.S. Armed Forces or current full-time member of the National Guard.

Military Start Date: _____

- Branch (please circle):**
- 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

Parent/Guardian Name (please print): _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____