

# EASTPORT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear Eastport Elementary Families,

As we approach the month of April, we have an exciting celebration planned to honor our military-connected students and families. April is known as the Month of the Military Child, a time to recognize and appreciate the sacrifices and resilience of our military children.

One way we will be celebrating is by hosting a school-wide Purple Up Day on April 17th. Purple symbolizes all branches of the military, making it the perfect color to show our support and gratitude. We encourage all students and staff to wear purple on this day to honor our military families.

As part of our efforts, we are also inviting students who are children of military parents to participate in our morning announcements. We welcome their voices to share their experiences and insights with their peers, fostering understanding and appreciation within our school community. If your child is interested in writing and reading a morning announcement about what being a military child means to them during the month of April, please fill out this [form](#).

Additionally, we invite military families to share photos with us. Whether it's a snapshot of a parent in uniform or a family portrait, we would love to display these images throughout the month to showcase the strength and unity of our military families. There is a link on the form if you would like to submit a photo there.

Your participation in these activities will help us create a meaningful and inclusive celebration for the Month of the Military Child. For more about the Month of the Military Child please visit this [site](#). We thank you for your support and look forward to honoring our military-connected students and families together.

Sincerely,

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