

## Building Capacity and Welcoming Practices In Military-Connected Schools

### SPECIAL FINAL ISSUE



### Resource Guide Corner

If you are interested in receiving a free copy of one of our military resource guides for educators and parents, please click [here](#) to request a copy.

If you have already provided us feedback on the books, thank you. If you haven't we still want to hear from you. Click this [link](#) to answer a few questions, and use a computer or a laptop instead of a smart phone.

### Quick Links...

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### Consortium Leaders Gather for Spring Meeting; Recognize Retiring Superintendents

Members of the *Building Capacity* and *Welcoming Practices* districts convened at the USC San Diego Academic Center last month to discuss implementation of the new mobile app and online registration process currently being developed.



**Trina Gregory of the USC Viterbi School of Engineering talked about the development of the districts' online registration platform.**

Part of the *Welcoming Practices* grant, the app will help military and other incoming families find the resources they need in order to have a smooth transition into their new schools.

The gathering was also an opportunity to honor three retiring superintendents (from left, below): Dr. Dale Mitchell of the Fallbrook Union High School District; Larry Perondi of Oceanside Unified School



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District, and Dr. Jennifer Walters of the Escondido Union School District.



## We'll Be In Touch

This is the last issue of the *Building Capacity and Welcoming Practices in Military-Connected Schools* newsletter.

But stay tuned for future e-mails from us about the *Welcoming Practices Consortium*. Also check our [website](#) and our [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) pages for updates.

## Funding Opportunities Announced

Click on the links below to learn more about the following grant opportunities intended to improve school climate and safety for students.

- [Project Prevent Grant Program](#), Deadline: June 30

- [Comprehensive School Safety Initiative](#),  
Deadline, July 10
- [School Justice Collaboration Program](#),  
Deadline, July 23

## **As Building Capacity Comes to a Close, We Say Thanks to Our Many, Many Partners and Supporters**

The *Building Capacity in Military-Connected Schools* Consortium began five years ago as a partnership between USC and eight school districts. It grew into an internationally recognized model for how to create more military-friendly public schools, influencing both policy and practice.

So we want to take this opportunity to thank all who have been involved in some way. First, we want to especially thank the Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) for supporting the Consortium through its Military K-12 Partners program. We thank former DoDEA Director Marilee Fitzgerald and current Director Thomas M. Brady. We thank Kathy Facon, chief of the partnership program, Fatimah Pierce, grant program manager and the Fallbrook Union Elementary School District for hosting the grant.

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If we have inadvertently omitted someone, we apologize and want to express our gratitude for supporting this initiative.

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