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**North Carolina Educators Gather in Raleigh to Learn About  
“Suddenly Military” Families**

*Military Child Education Coalition and Major General William Ingram, The Adjutant General for North Carolina, advise teachers and school administrators on supporting military-connected families of the National Guard and Reserve in their communities*

**WHAT:** The Military Child Education Coalition (MCEC) will host a “Supporting the Children and Families of the National Guard and Reserve Institute” on December 12-13, 2006 in Raleigh, North Carolina. The institute is designed to educate teachers and school administrators about the effects of mobilization and deployment on children of National Guard and Reserve families in the state of North Carolina. By understanding the challenges that military-connected children face, schools and communities can provide the necessary support that these resilient children need.

Dr. William Harrison, MCEC Board Member and Superintendent of Schools for Cumberland County will hold a press conference to discuss the unique challenges faced by the children of the National Guard and Reserve and highlight programs being put in place to help children living in "the new normal". Dr. Harrison will be joined by Major General William Ingram, The Adjutant General for North Carolina, and Joan Barrett, MCEC Board Member Responsible for Oversight for the Institute Supporting Children of National Guard and Reserve.

**WHEN:** Dec. 12-13, 2006  
Press conference to be held at 2:00 p.m., Dec. 12, 2006

**WHO:** Dr. William Harrison, MCEC Board Member and Superintendent of Schools for Cumberland County

Major General William Ingram, The Adjutant General for North Carolina

State Superintendent June Atkinson, DPI

Chairman Howard Lee, North Carolina State Board of Education

**WHERE:** Holiday Inn Brownstone Hotel  
1707 Hillsborough Street

Raleigh, NC 27605

**About The Military Child Education Coalition:**

The Military Child Education Coalition (MCEC) is a private, non-profit organization addressing the unique academic needs of military children. Working with all of the armed services, parents, and educators, MCEC develops provides programs and timely information designed to ease transitions and deployments. For more information about MCEC and its initiatives to help military children, please visit [www.militarychild.org](http://www.militarychild.org).

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