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Outstanding Service to Military Children Recognized at National Training Seminar

Military Child Education Coalition® salutes partnerships between military installations, school districts, colleges, and universities serving military children.

HARKER HEIGHTS – The Military Child Education Coalition® (MCEC®) announced the 2019 recipients of the Lieutenant General (Retired) H.G. “Pete” Taylor Partnership of Excellence Award™ at its 21st National Training Seminar in Washington, DC. MCEC is a non-profit organization dedicated to ensuring quality educational opportunities for all military and veteran-connected children affected by mobility, transition, deployments and family separation.

The annual award encourages and applauds the outstanding partnerships formed between military installations and school districts that serve military children. Selected from schools and military installations around the world, the winning partnerships celebrate the military child in exceptional and sustainable ways.

“The Military Child Education Coalition proudly salutes the remarkable difference that these schools, military installations, communities and states are making in the lives of military and veteran-connected children,” said Dr. Mary Keller, MCEC President and Chief Executive Officer. “By collaborating authentically in unique and innovative ways, these military, education, corporate and policy leaders, exemplify the power and promise of partnerships.”

The following are the 2019 Pete Taylor Partnership of Excellence Award™ winners:

In the Community Partnership K-12 category:

2019 Outstanding Partnership Award: Cannon Air Force Base, Clovis Municipal Schools & Clovis Community: Caring, Competent, and Committed Partnership – Cannon Air Force Base, Clovis Municipal Schools, Clovis Chamber of Commerce, City of Clovis, United Way of Eastern New Mexico, and Three7 Project – New Mexico

2019 Exemplary Partnership Award: Breaking the Code towards Strengthening Positive Outcomes for the Norfolk Military Community - Naval Station Norfolk, Fort Story Little Creek, US Army Training and Doctrine Command, Camp Allen, Norfolk Public Schools, Virginia Department of Education, Tufts University, Joint Forces Staff College, Governors School for the Arts, City of Norfolk,

NATO Community, National Council of PTA, Young Audiences of Virginia, Lincoln Family Housing Centers, Mission United at the United Way, CodeVA, Slover Library, Richmond Public Library, Harris Corporation, Carmax, KaBOOM, and ADP - Virginia

2019 Exemplary Partnership Award: Columbus Air Force Base, The Military & School Partnership of Columbus and Lowndes County - Columbus Air Force Base, Lowndes County School District, Columbus Municipal School District, Mississippi School for Math & Science, Mississippi Humanities Council, and Columbus-Lowndes Chamber of Commerce – Mississippi

2019 Recognized Partnership Award: Alamogordo Public Schools and Holloman Air Force Base – Holloman Air Force Base, Alamogordo Public Schools, New Mexico State University-Alamogordo, City of Alamogordo, Alamogordo Chamber of Commerce, Otero STEM, New Mexico Space History Museum, Alamogordo Police Department, Boys & Girls Club of Otero County, and NMAAA – New Mexico

2019 Recognized Partnership Award: GEAR UP 2 LEAD STEM – Whiteman Air Force Base, Knob Noster Public Schools, DoDEA, Northrop Grumman, Whiteman Area Leadership Council, Air Force GSC Civic Leaders Group, and Strategic Deterrent Coalition - Missouri

In the Individual Project K-12 category:

2019 Outstanding Individual Project/Program Award: Norfolk Collegiate Lower School-2019 Month of the Military Child and Purple Star Celebration – Norfolk Collegiate Lower School, Naval Station Norfolk, Naval Air Station Oceana and Dam Neck, Naval Support Activity, Hampton Roads, Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, and Virginia Department of Education - Virginia

2019 Recognized Individual Project/Program Award: Sustainable Environment Month – Fort Hood, Killeen Independent School District, Gatesville Independent School District, City of Killeen, City of Gatesville, and Haynes Elementary School (Killeen ISD) - Texas

Created in 2004, the Lieutenant General (Retired) H.G. “Pete” Taylor Partnership of Excellence Award™ recognizes the work of former MCEC Chairman Lieutenant General (Ret.) Pete Taylor in assisting military children. The award encourages the sharing of lessons learned and recognizes the long-held belief of General Taylor that “goodness starts at the local level.”

The Military Child Education Coalition serves the children of those who serve us all and encourages efforts that strengthen our military children and ensure opportunities for their quality education.

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About the Military Child Education Coalition (MCEC)

The Military Child Education Coalition (MCEC) is a 501(c)(3) global, nonprofit organization focused exclusively on the well-being and needs of America’s approximately four million military and veteran-connected children, specifically in the areas of academic opportunity and excellence, school transition support, and developmental needs. Our goal is to ensure that every military-connected child grows and thrives through good and challenging times in order to be college, workplace, and ultimately, life-ready.

To learn more, visit <https://www.militarychild.org/programs/pete-taylor-partnership-of-excellence-awards>