

Request for Excused Absence for Military Family Reunification

{Date}

Dear {Principal},

The father/mother of _____ is returning home from military deployment on _____. My child, _____, will be absent on (please select one day) _____ for reunification. As per the new Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunities for Military Children, CA legislation AB343, Article V states:

AB343 Article V

(E) Absence as related to deployment activities – A student whose parent or legal guardian is an active duty member of the uniformed services, as defined by the compact, and has been called to duty for, is on leave from, or immediately returned from deployment to a combat zone or combat support posting, shall be granted additional excused absences at the discretion of the local education agency superintendent to visit with his or her parent or legal guardian relative to such leave or deployment of the parent or guardian.

I understand that Coronado Unified School District allows one excused absence for reunification, and I am asking that our child not be penalized for this absence so that he/she can have quality time to reunify with his father/mother after an extended and stressful deployment serving our country.

Thank you in advance for the many ways your tender care and attention to this matter will help my son/daughter cope throughout this period of change.

Sincerely,

{Parent Signature and phone number}

Please Note:

Under certain circumstances the Superintendent or designee may grant additional days for excused absences on a case by case basis. Please submit that request to the Office of the Superintendent, 201 6th Street, Coronado, CA 92118.

If you have specific questions about the Interstate Compact, please contact the Navy School Liaison Officer at 619-991-2509.

If you have any questions regarding the absence for reunification, please do not hesitate to contact Kami McElligott, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent/Board, at 522-8900, x1025 or email: kmcelligott@coronadousd.net