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To all Military-Connected Families in Navy Region Southwest,

A quality education is one of the greatest gifts we can give our children. Research confirms that the involvement of parents and families in their children's education is critical to students' academic success.

A very simple way that you, as parents, can help resource quality education in your public schools is to complete and return the Federal Survey Card your child will be bringing home in early October. Completed Federal Survey Cards enable school districts to receive federal government funding through the Impact Aid Program. The Impact Aid Program is designed to directly compensate school districts for:

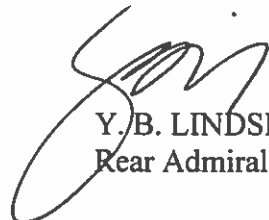
- (1) Local revenue lost due to the presence of federally owned, and therefore tax-exempt, property.
- (2) Costs incurred due to "federally connected" students, such as the children of armed services personnel working at a nearby military base.

Unlike most other forms of educational assistance, Impact Aid disburses roughly \$1.3 billion annually in unrestricted federal funds directly to local school districts rather than through state agencies.

Everyone is aware of the fiscal challenges facing our schools and the negative affects these challenges have on our children's education. Your participation will help ensure that our schools have the resources they need to support your child's education. A low return rate will result in the loss of millions of federal dollars that could otherwise benefit your local schools and your children's education.

Please do your part by completing and returning the Federal Survey Card. Thank you.

Sincerely,



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