

Military Status Indicator (BOY, EOY and MOY)

This TIP sheet has been designed to assist districts in reporting students who have a parent or legal guardian active in the military as described below. The Parent Military Status field is a new subgroup required by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). It will be required beginning with the 2018-19 school year, as part of the BOY, EOY & MOY. It can be submitted optionally in the 2017-18 EOY & MOY submissions.

With the new ESSA requirements, the DOE is required to collect parent military status to be used when disaggregating accountability results – reporting how different groups of students perform on the state assessment (NH-SAS). The US DOE is implementing this requirement to ensure that students in military households are receiving an appropriate education. The US DOE wants to identify if the mobility of the family and the parent/guardian, results in academic challenges for students. **Please know student level data is NOT shared with the US DOE.** The state only sends summary assessment counts – for example, 35 students who have a military parent/guardian, were proficient on the state assessment. Only the total number ‘35’ is provided to the US DOE, not the specific students.

Approach: We have added a field to BOY, MOY and EOY.

Field Name: **Parent Military Status**

Field Values:

1. Parents or Legal Guardians’ Military Status does not apply for this student. Use this code if a parent refuses to disclose status.
2. Active Duty in Armed Forces (not including National Guard)
3. Full Time National Guard
4. Student has parent or legal guardians in both 2 and 3.

Definition: The value should be set if any parent or legal guardian meets the definitions. The information should be requested from parents/guardians, at least one time per year. The field indicates if at some point during the year (per your school’s collection), the student met any of these status values.

Following are federal definitions that should help determine which status is appropriate for a given student.

Federal Definitions:

(A) “Armed Forces” means the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard.

(B) “Active duty” means full-time duty in the active military service of the United States, including full-time training duty, annual training duty, and attendance, while in the active military service, at a school designated as a service school by law or by the Secretary of the military department concerned. Such term does not include full-time National Guard duty.

(C) “Full-time National Guard duty” means training or other duty, other than inactive duty, performed by a member of the Army National Guard of the United States or the Air National Guard of the United States in the member’s status as a member of the National Guard of a State or territory, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, or the District of Columbia under section 316, 502, 503, 504, or 505 of title 32 for which the member is entitled to pay from the United States or for which the member has waived pay from the United States.