

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION

MEMORANDUM

- TO: District Superintendents Principals Public Information Officers School Counseling Personnel
- **FROM:** Molly M. Spearman State Superintendent of Education
- **DATE:** March 8, 2022
- **RE:** Military Honor Cords and State Recognition Event

The South Carolina Department of Education is pleased to recognize high school seniors who will be entering the military or attending a military service academy with a red, white, and blue honor cord to be worn during graduation ceremonies. Thank you for participating in this program to honor the commitment these students are making to serve our country.

The honor cords will be bagged, labeled by high school, and mailed directly to the school to the principal's attention.

In addition to wearing these honor cords at individual graduation ceremonies, eligible students are invited to attend a statewide recognition ceremony where state, education, and military leaders will publicly recognize them for their commitment.

Date: Wednesday, May 18, 2022Time: 11:00 a.m.Location: Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center, 1101 Lincoln Street, Columbia, SC 29201

We invite your military bound students, their parents, and school representatives to attend this ceremony and ask that your please submit your information by accessing and completing <u>this form</u> no later than **Friday, May 6, 2022,** if your school plans to attend. Transportation and associated costs will not be provided. Additional information will be sent to participating schools.

Should you have any questions regarding this event, please contact us via email at <u>events@ed.sc.gov</u> or 803-734-0183.

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