

# An Act

ENROLLED SENATE  
BILL NO. 54

By: Montgomery and Pederson of  
the Senate

and

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An Act relating to schools; providing definition; directing the State Department of Education beginning in certain school year to designate a school district campus as a Purple Star Campus; providing eligibility criteria; providing for promulgation of rules; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

SUBJECT: Schools

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 510.3 of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. As used in this section, "military-connected student" means a student enrolled in a public school who is a dependent of a current or former member of:

1. The United States military;
2. The Oklahoma National Guard; or
3. A reserve force of the United States military.

B. Beginning with the 2022-2023 school year, the State Department of Education shall designate a school district campus as

a Purple Star Campus if the campus applies and qualifies for the designation pursuant to this section.

C. To qualify as a Purple Star Campus, a school district or individual campus shall:

1. Designate a school employee as a military liaison whose duties include:

- a. identifying military-connected students enrolled at the campus,
- b. serving as the point of contact between the campus and military-connected students and their families,
- c. determining appropriate campus services available to military-connected students, and
- d. assisting in coordinating campus programs relevant to military-connected students;

2. Maintain on the campus website an easily accessible web page that includes resources for military-connected students and their families including information regarding:

- a. relocation to, enrollment at, registration at and transferring records to the campus,
- b. academic planning, course sequences and advanced classes available at the campus,
- c. counseling and other support services available for military-connected students enrolled at the campus, and
- d. the military liaison and his or her duties designated pursuant to paragraph 1 of this subsection;

3. Maintain a transition program led by students, where appropriate, that assists military-connected students in transitioning into the campus;

4. Offer professional development for school employees on issues related to military-connected students; and

5. Offer at least one of the following initiatives:

a. a resolution showing support for military-connected students and their families,

b. recognition of the Month of the Military Child or Military Family Month with relevant events hosted by the campus, or

c. a partnership with a local military installation that provides opportunities for active duty military members to volunteer at the campus, speak at an assembly or host a field trip.

D. The State Board of Education shall promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this section.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2021.

Passed the Senate the 24th day of May, 2021.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the 25th day of May, 2021.

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