

MARINE CORPS AIR STATION CHERRY POINT, NORTH CAROLINA 28533

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Dear Families of Military Connected Students,

The biggest impact you can make in your child's education in **60** seconds or less is to fill out and return the 2024 Federal Impact Aid cards when sent home. On average, each card submitted yields \$577 per child that goes directly to their school.

Impact Aid is a federal program administered through the Department of Education that is designed to assist local school districts in supporting families who live and work on federal properties.

Last year, Craven County Schools received **\$2,015,456** in Federal Impact Aid due to the great participation in **filling out** and **returning** Federal Impact Aid cards. This was an increase of **\$678,562** from the previous year. Of the 12,500 plus students in the Craven County Schools system, **28%** or **3,492** students are military connected children. Unsubmitted cards equate to a lost financial opportunity towards your child's educational needs.

Please take **60 seconds** to fill out and return the 2024 Federal Impact Aid cards when received. This is one of the quickest and easiest ways we can give our students and local school systems the best bid for success going forward. Thank you for your support!

Semper Fidelis,

B. C. BURKS Colonel, U.S. Marine Corps Commanding Officer "America's" Air Station