

ARNG EDUCATION NEWSLETTER

FOR THE SOLDIER



Guard Support Center (GSC)

QUESTIONS REGARDING EDUCATION BENEFITS?

Contact the Guard Support Center to speak with an Education Counselor today!

Education Counselors are available to assist you M-F, 0700-1700 CST

Toll-Free: 1-866-628-5999 Email: arnng.gsc@mail.mil

The Guard Support Center is available as a resource to help you with questions you may have in regards to your education benefits. We are here to help you understand your education benefits and the best way to maximize their usage to help you reach your educational goals. We are also supporting the State Education Offices in resolving incomplete Federal Tuition Assistance Contracts issued prior to GoArmyEd. If you used Federal Tuition Assistance prior to October 2011, we recommend you contact your State Education Office to ensure they have all of your transcripts/grades up to date.

Post 9/11 GI Bill Transfer of Education Benefits (TEB)



TEB Early!

Currently, there are over 62,000 ARNG Soldiers eligible to TEB who have not started the process. We recommend that Soldiers who are eligible and wish to transfer do so as early as possible. Children do not have to reach a certain age in order for you to transfer to them!

CY15 Release from Active Duty (REFRAD/Active Service Management (ASMB) Boards

Per PPOM 14-019 and 14-020, AGR Soldiers who have an approved TEB but have not completed their service obligation will not be included in the REFRAD/ASMB this year. In CY16, the policy will be updated to include these Soldiers.

Soldiers who are separated by a force-shaping board (including the Qualitative Retention Board (QRB) for M-Day Soldiers) will be able to keep their approved TEB, even if the service obligation is not complete on their separation date.

Contact your state's Education Service Officer or the GI Bill Support Team (866-628-5999) to discuss the requirements of the TEB program and determine if you or your dependents are eligible for TEB.

Overview

TEB is an additional incentive attached to the Post-9/11 GI Bill that allows you to transfer remaining months of benefits to eligible dependents.

To qualify for TEB, you must:

- Be eligible for the Post-9/11 GI Bill,
- Be currently serving, with at least six years of service completed,
- Agree to serve four additional years (from the date of your request), and
- Not be flagged for adverse actions.

Federal Tuition Assistance

Recent Changes

*Starting 5 April 2015, Soldiers can split a Tuition Assistance Request between Soldier-funded and Army-funded. Formerly, GoArmyEd would not process TA requests when the Soldier did not have sufficient remaining Semester Hours for the fiscal year to cover all requested semester hour.

*Soldier's Education Page in GoArmyEd will show the total number of semester hours remaining for both the undergraduate or graduate cap, and total semester hours used per fiscal year.

*Soldiers applying for Non-LOI Tuition Assistance will receive a new red warning text if they must pay all or part of the tuition. If the Soldier's semester hour costs exceed the \$250 a semester hour cap or Tuition Assistance paid for only some of the semester hours, the portion over the cap or not covered by Tuition Assistance is listed as the Soldier's responsibility.

Class Cost						
WARNING: YOU MUST PAY!						
Select the Unit Type your school uses (semester hours, quarter hours, or clock hours). Enter Unit and Unit Cost and select the calculate cost button. To view the calculation formula select the "i".						
Unit Type	Unit	Unit Cost	SH	SH Cost	Residency Status	SH Cap
Semester Hour	3.00	\$350.00	3.00	\$350.00	No Residency	\$250.00
Class Level	Additional TA-eligible Fees		Additional Soldier Fees			
	\$0.00		\$0.00			
Total Class Cost	Original Army Cost	Original Soldier Cost		Calculate Cost		
\$1,050.00	\$750.00	\$300.00				

*For Soldiers who must pay all or part of tuition costs, there are six reasons listed in GoArmyEd (*see below*). If you think that the denial of Tuition Assistance is in error, contact your state Education Office for help.

Message
WARNING: You MUST pay!
You are responsible for paying for all or a portion of the tuition costs. Tuition Assistance (TA) will not pay this amount. No exceptions will be granted. If you think that there is an error, contact your Education Counselor.
Some reasons for this are:
(1) You do not have enough TA remaining to cover the class cost, or
(2) The cost of the class exceeds the semester hour cap, or
(3) There is a Soldier funded fee associated with this class, or
(4) Based on current Army policy for Tuition Assistant (TA) funded courses you will exceed maximum semester hours allowed per fiscal year, or
(5) You have enrolled in a class that you have already taken. You must pay the full amount, or
(6) You are on a self-pay hold. You must pay the full amount, or

*“Education’s purpose
is to replace an empty mind
with an open one.”*

—Malcolm S. Forbes