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# - Kentucky National Guard - State Tuition Assistance

## How do I qualify for this benefit and how may I apply to use it?

- Eligibility
  - Currently serving in Kentucky National Guard
  - Completed Basic Combat Training (BCT) or contracted ROTC/SMP before class start date
  - Passing AFT and height/weight standards
  - Not flagged
  - No unexcused absences from drill within the previous 12 months
  - Pursuing an associate's degree or first bachelor's degree
  - Have not reached lifetime cap
  - ETS date is beyond the class-end date
  - AGRs and Technicians remain eligible to use

## How do I apply?

- Student Module: <https://ky.ngb.army.mil/TuitionStudentv2>
  - First time users must click to register using CAC card while on a KY Guard network computer. Create a username/password and then use it to apply for tuition from anywhere.
    - Fall term deadline – apply before 1 April
    - Spring term deadline – apply before 1 October
- Soldiers who will ETS during the school term must extend to cover the class
- Soldiers applying late may request an exception to policy through their unit

## What does the benefit pay?

- KYNG State TA pays actual public in-state tuition cost
  - 100% of in-classroom rate, up to full-time student
  - Benefit is paid directly to the school during the term
  - Participating private schools eligible (capped at \$5,616.00 per semester)
  - Does not pay any fees or excess tuition associated with online classes
  - Does not pay for a lateral degrees (2<sup>nd</sup> associates) or lesser degrees (pursuing an associates after a bachelors)
  - Benefit availability subject to State funding
- Lifetime usage caps as of Fall 2025 term
  - \$29,000 for Community and Technical Colleges
  - \$58,000 for comprehensive public universities or approved private colleges
  - \$72,500 for research universities (UK, U of L)
  - Cap increases 5% annually
  - Changing school type will increase or decrease lifetime cap as appropriate
  - KYNG State TA usage prior to Fall 2016 term is not counted
    - See your usage here- <https://www.kheaa.com/apps/registration/signin>

## Does membership in the KY National Guard entitle me to an in-state tuition rate?

- Yes, even if you live outside the state or just moved to Kentucky, you are entitled to the in-state tuition rate at any of our public universities.

## May I use State TA in conjunction with Federal TA and GI Bill?

- May use with any GI Bill®
- May use with Federal Tuition Assistance (FTA) if eligible
- Tuition benefits applied in the following order
  - KYNG State TA
  - Federal TA
  - Post 9-11 GI Bill (if eligible)

## May I add classes or change schools after submitting my application?

- Yes, service members wishing to change schools should contact Ms. Crickmer at the Education Office immediately.