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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 APFT/ACFT 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
- Application
  - Sign a paper application available from your unit or our website- https://ky.ng.mil/Personnel-Services/Education-and-Incentives/
  - Apply before the deadline:
    - Fall term – apply before 1 April
    - Spring term – apply before 1 October
    - Summer/Winter – Not available
  - 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 $5,256.00 per semester)
    - Does not pay any fees or excess tuition associated with online classes
    - Does not pay for a lateral degrees (2nd associates) or lesser degrees (pursuing an associates after a bachelors)
    - Benefit availability subject to State funding
- Lifetime usage caps as of Fall 2024 term
    - $28,000 for Community and Technical Colleges
    - $56,000 for comprehensive public universities or approved private colleges
    - $70,000 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 KYNG 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?

- Service members wishing to change schools should contact the Education Office
    - Soldiers transferring from a Community College to a University will have their cap increased accordingly.
    - Soldiers transferring from a University to a Community College will have their cap reduced and may find they have already exhausted it.
- Classes added late may not be covered
- Classes dropped after the add/drop date, failed, or repeated are not recouped, however they do count against the member's lifetime cap.

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