



Fort Riley Education Services October Newsletter

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The Army's Virtual Gateway to Education-Anytime, Anywhere

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CONSORTIUM OF SCHOOLS

Barton Community College - 785.784.6606
Central Texas College - 785.209.3179
Hutchinson Comm. College -620.245.0202
Kansas State University -785.239.0685
Southwestern College -785.784.9930
Upper Iowa University -785.784.5225

FOR THE CALENDAR

7th– Resiliency Day Off
10th-Holiday
21st– Resiliency Day Off

Know Before You Go: Fort Riley Education Services office will be closed every Thursday morning from 0730-1200 to allow for training. **Our consortium of schools will remain open to customers.** If you have any questions, please contact us at 785-239-6481.

RECOUPMENT WAIVERS

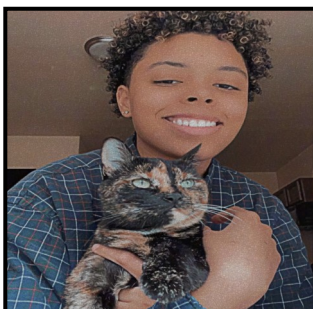
Being a college student and a Soldier leaves a lot of opportunity for the unexpected. Soldiers who need to withdraw from a Tuition Assistance (TA) funded course, due to an **unanticipated reason**, should fill out a Recoupment Waiver or Department of the Army (DA) Form 7793. If a Recoupment Waiver is approved, this will stop the Soldier from having to pay back the Army their Tuition Assistance cost. **An unanticipated/ unexpected reason would be; emergency leave/reassignment, natural or man-made disaster, illness/hospitalization, or unforeseen military mission.**

Soldier's who receive a grade other than a "W" for withdrawing from the class will not be able to submit a request a recoupment waiver for that class. Soldiers can only submit requests for recoupment waivers for military reasons for classes that were withdrawn from with the Academic Institution (AI) successfully with a "W" graded posted by the school in ArmyIgnitED.

Soldiers must initiate a separate DA Form 7793 for each class on their approved degree plan **when a grade of "W" is submitted by their AI**. This form will need to be signed by their Commander (O-3 or higher. These requests must be submitted in the ArmyIgnitED portal **no later than 30 days** from the date that the Academic Institution posts the "W" grade. The DA Form 7793 must be uploaded as a supporting document in the recoupment waiver request in ArmyIgnitED.

This form can be downloaded from the Army Publishing Directorate website (<http://www.apd.army.mil>) or a copy may be obtained through Fort Riley Education Services.

The updates to this policy can be found in the Memorandum for Record on Interim Updates to Army Tuition Assistance Terms and Conditions Based on the Enhanced ArmyIgnitED Implementation (dated 20 September 2022).



HAIL AND FAREWELL

Education Services says farewell to one of our Administrative Contractors, Destiny Honore. Destiny has been with our Education Center for six months. During her time here she has enjoyed working with helping Soldiers, learning more about the Military community, and working with her co-workers. Destiny is moving to Houston, Texas to be closer to family. She will be going to college to get her degree in Physical Therapy. Best wishes!

COLLEGE FAIRS/ BRIEFING OPPORTUNITIES

Fort Riley Hiring and Education Fair

Soldiers, Family Members, DoD Cardholders, Veterans, Retirees, and Community Members are invited to attend the **Fort Riley Hiring and Education Fair** this fall! Schools from around the United States, Regional employers, Child and Youth Services, Veterans Affairs, KansasWorks, Education Counselors, Financial Aid Advisors, Transition for Life Counselors and many more will be on site.

Date: November 8, 2022

Time: 10 AM - 2 PM

**Location: Riley's Community Center
446 Seitz Drive**

Unit Briefings

Our Education Counselors can come to your unit and speak about the various resources available through Education Services. Soldiers will learn about their Tuition and Credentialing Assistance benefits, testing and tutoring services, Army Personnel Testing, our on post colleges, GT Improvement courses, and much more!

Our Counselors can even brief over MS Teams if your unit is currently overseas.

To schedule a Unit Brief contact:

Ms. Monica Smith

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ENHANCED ARMYIGNITED

Soldiers were able to access the enhanced ArmyIgnitED on **29 Aug 2022** and create their accounts. The first actions that should be taken in the enhanced ArmyIgnitED is submitting an Education Goal (formerly Education Path) through **www.armyignited.army.mil**. Soldiers will now be required to upload an **evaluated degree plan** in their accounts after completing 2 classes within the new system. It is advised that all Tuition Assistance users speak with their Academic Institutions now and ask for an updated, evaluated degree plan. Counselors will need to assist in uploading the evaluated degree plan if your goal has already been created and approved.

Before Soldiers can request Tuition Assistance they must, have an approved Education Goal with their student ID number, update their personal email and phone number, and complete their Virtual Benefits Training. **Tuition Assistance requests must be submitted seven days prior to the start date of their course.** Soldiers may request TA up to 60 days in advance of the class start date.

Unpaid Tuition Assistance requests from the previous ArmyIgnitED system:

Unpaid TA requests will be transferred and processed in the enhanced ArmyIgnitED by Soldiers, Counselors, and Academic Institutions. The improved system enables Counselors the ability to edit errors on TA requests and academic institutions to submit accurate invoices. The legacy data has not begun to transfer to the enhanced system, so please be on the lookout for this to happen. The transfer will include TA requests for courses with start dates of 1 October 2020 to 30 September 2022.

Credentialing Assistance for FY23:

Currently, ACCESS ArmyU is not accepting Credentialing Assistance (CA) requests for exams or trainings with start dates of 1 October 2022 or later. At the beginning of each fiscal year, there is a blocked timeframe when we cannot accept CA requests because the budget has not been approved.



Link to the enhanced ArmyIgnitED (change in web address): **www.armyignited.army.mil**

Help Desk Phone: (276) 231-0938

Help Desk Email: army@bamtech.net

TRANSFERRING EDUCATION BENEFITS (TEB)

Transferring Education Benefits (TEB) is not a benefit or entitlement. TEB is a retention incentive that cannot be requested until a Service Member (SM) reaches six years in service as Active Duty or Selected Reserve. TEB results in a SM incurring a four-year Active Duty service obligation (ADSO) from the date the TEB is requested.

Important Quick Facts:

- TEB can be shared among qualified dependents who are enrolled into DEERS
- TEB can be revoked by SM for benefits unused by dependents
- You are allowed to transfer up to 36 months, this does not mean 36 months are available to transfer if SM has previously used GI Bill
- Once you TEB, if you do not complete your ADSO, you will be recouped for the education benefits used by your dependents

How to Transfer your Education Benefits:

1. Request to transfer benefits using MilConnect: <https://milconnect.dmdc.osd.mil/milconnect>
2. Use MilConnect to check approval/disapproval status (1-5 business days, except during spike requests in TEB)
3. Fulfill TEB ADSO: TEB website is an official record of the service obligation, NOT an official record of unused GI Bill months

**Once approved, dependents will apply for usage through the VA by completing VA Form 22-1990e: <https://www.va.gov>

Please route your specific TEB questions through the GI Bill Incentives Program email drop boxes:

Post 9/11 & MGIB-AD Email Drop Box: usarmy.knowx.hrc.mbx.tagd-post911gibill@army.mil

MGIB-SR Email Drop Box: usarmy.knox.hrc.mbx.tagd-mgib@army.mil

ARMY PERSONNEL TESTING & MORE

Education Services offers a variety of tests! To learn how to schedule a test or obtain study materials, you may speak with a counselor or email our **testing email** at: usarmy.riley.imcom.mbx.education-service-testing@mail.mil

We are now able to increase the amount of Soldiers allowed in our testing areas.

- **Army Personnel Tests: 9 Soldiers**
- **TABE Online: 10 Soldiers**
- **TABE paper based: 10 Soldiers**

Testing Schedule

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Additional Tests Available:					
Basic Math & Science Test (BMST)	Morning TABE	Mornings TABE	Mornings TABE Online	No Testing	No Testing
TABE Level A	DLPT	DLPT	AFCT		
Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI)	Afternoon DLPT	Afternoon DLPT	Afternoon DLAB 1st & 3rd SIFT 2nd		
English Comprehensive Level (ECL)					

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Website: <https://home.army.mil/riley/index.php/about/dir-staff/dhr/ed-svcs>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/fortrileyeducationservices/about/>

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