



## National Guard Federal and State Tuition Assistance REMINDERS

### STATE TUITION ASSISTANCE (State TA) – SD Guard Members Only

- ✦ Create an account at <https://apps.sd.gov/mv90tuitionassistance/>
- ✦ Log in to your account and complete the application for State Tuition Assistance (you will need to upload a copy of your class schedule which is available on your LATI portal).
- ✦ Please make sure you correctly complete all applicable information, otherwise the National Guard Education Office will deny your application.
- ✦ **You can submit State TA application 60 days prior to the start of the semester, but must be completed before the first day of class.**
- ✦ Students from other states, please contact your National Guard Unit for the State Tuition Assistance process in your state.

### FEDERAL TUITION ASSISTANCE (FTA)

- ✦ Effective January 1, 2014, a soldier cannot use FTA until after successful completion of his or her first year in the Army after graduation from AIT.
- ✦ In September 2015 GoArmyEd launched a new decision support tool for Soldiers called VIA. VIA will use data about Soldiers, the U.S. labor market, degree programs, and schools to help Soldiers select a career goal, a degree program aligned with that goal, and a school that offers the degree. You will need to complete this before applying for FTA.
- ✦ You are restricted to 16 semester hours per year of payment. (**Remember**, their year runs October 1 to September 30.)
- ✦ You cannot use FTA for a second higher-level degree (or equivalent degree) until completion of 10 years of time in service.
- ✦ This process is completed through the GoArmyED website at [www.GoArmyEd.com](http://www.GoArmyEd.com). You will need to upload a copy of your class schedule and invoice which is available on your LATI portal.
- ✦ **You can apply for FTA up to 60 days before the start of the class but you have to apply and be approved at least 5 days PRIOR to the start date of the class.**
- ✦ If you receive a grade of “D” or “F” in a class, the tuition reimbursement you received for that class will be “recouped” from you by GoArmyED. (In other words, they are going to make you pay it back.)
- ✦ FTA will only pay for TUITION. It does not cover FEES.

If you have questions or need assistance please contact Julie @ 605-882-5284 ext 301 or email me at [formanj@lakeareatech.edu](mailto:formanj@lakeareatech.edu)

