



## EDUCATION AND TRAINING

### POST-9/11 GI BILL FRY SCHOLARSHIP

## WHAT IS THE MARINE GUNNERY SERGEANT JOHN DAVID FRY SCHOLARSHIP?

Public Law 111-32 includes the Marine Gunnery Sergeant John David Fry Scholarship that amends the Post-9/11 GI Bill to include the children of service members who die in the line of duty after Sept. 10, 2001. Eligible children attending school may receive:

- Full tuition and fees paid directly to the school for all public school in-state students. For those attending private or foreign schools tuition & fees are capped at a national maximum rate per academic year.
- Students attending a private Institution of Higher Learning in AZ, MI, NH, NY, PA, SC or TX may be eligible for a higher tuition reimbursement rate
- A monthly housing allowance
- A books and supplies stipend

### WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Children of an Active Duty member of the Armed Forces who has died in the line of duty on or after September 11, 2001, are eligible for this benefit. A child may be married or over 23 and still be eligible.

Eligible children:

- Are entitled to 36 months of benefits at the 100% level
- May use the benefit until their 33rd birthday
- Are not eligible for the Yellow Ribbon Program



Disabilities determined by VA to be related to your military service can lead to monthly non-taxable compensation, enrollment in the VA health care system, a 10-point hiring preference for federal employment and other important benefits. Ask your VA representative or Veterans Service Organization representative about Disability Compensation, Pension, Health Care, Caregiver Program, Career Services, Educational Assistance, Home Loan Guaranty, Insurance and/or Dependents and Survivors' Benefits.



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## **RULES FOR ELIGIBLE CHILDREN SERVING, OR WHO HAVE SERVED, IN THE ARMED FORCES:**

- If the child is eligible under the Montgomery GI Bill Active Duty, Montgomery GI Bill Selected Reserve, and/or the Reserve Educational Assistance Program (REAP), then he or she must relinquish eligibility under one of those programs to receive benefits under Post-9/11 GI Bill
- A child's character of discharge from his or her own service does not impact eligibility resulting from the line of duty death of a parent
- A child on Active Duty will receive benefits at the active duty benefit rate

## **HOW CAN YOU APPLY?**

Once you find a program approved for VA training you can apply online through our website at <http://vabenefits.vba.va.gov/vonapp>

For more information, call toll-free 1-888-442-4551 (1-888-GI BILL 1) or visit our website at <http://www.gibill.va.gov>

