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STATE REPRESENTATIVE • DISTRICT 67

TEXAS ARMED SERVICES SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM GUIDELINES

The Texas Armed Services Scholarship Program (TASSP) offers a conditional scholarship to a deserving student dedicated to education and military service. Created in 2009 by the 81st Legislature, the TASSP was designed to financially assist post-secondary students by encouraging them to become members of the Texas Army National Guard, the Texas Air National Guard, the United States Coast Guard, the United States Merchant Marine, or to become commissioned officers in any branch of the armed services of the United States. Each year the Texas Governor and Lieutenant Governor appoint up to two students, and each Texas State Senator and State Representative may appoint one student. Eligible students can receive up to \$15,000 a year to help them attend the college of their choice.

To be eligible, the student must fulfill two of the following four requirements:

1. On track to graduate or has graduated high school with the Distinguished Level of Achievement Plan or the International Baccalaureate Program (IB);
2. Has a current high school GPA of 3.0 or higher or graduated with a GPA of 3.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale;
3. Is currently ranked in the top third of their prospective high school graduating class or graduated in the top third of their graduating class;
4. Has achieved a college readiness score on the SAT (1070) or ACT (23).

To receive the scholarship, a student must:

1. Be enrolled in a Texas public or private accredited institution of higher education in the Fall 2024/Spring 2025 academic year;
2. Complete four years of ROTC training or the equivalent of four years of ROTC training if the institution of higher education awards ROTC credit for prior service in any branch of the U.S. Armed Services or the Texas Army National Guard, Texas Air National Guard, Texas State Guard, United States Coast Guard, or United States Merchant Marine, or another undergraduate officer commissioning program
3. Graduate no later than six years after the date the student first enrolls in an institution of higher education after having received a high school diploma or a General Educational Diploma or its equivalent
4. After graduation, enter into and provide the THECB with verification of one of the following:
 - a. A four-year commitment to be a member of the Texas Army National Guard, Texas Air National Guard, Texas State Guard, United States Coast Guard, or United States Merchant Marine
 - b. A contract to serve as a commissioned officer in any branch of the armed services of the United States
5. Meet the physical examination requirements and all other prescreening requirements of the Texas Army National Guard, Texas Air National Guard, Texas State Guard, United States Coast Guard, or United States Merchant Marine, or the branch of the armed services with which the student enters into a contract



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6. Repay the scholarship according to the terms of the promissory note if the student fails to meet the requirements in the Conversion of a Scholarship to a Loan section

Interested candidates who fulfill the above requirements must send the following documents to Julie.Atkinson@house.texas.gov.

1. High School Transcript
2. Three Letters of Recommendation
3. Resume
4. Essay – MLA Standard, 300 words min, 350 words max. Topic: “What does military service mean to you?”

Deadline: Students must submit the aforementioned requirements no later than 11:59 PM on Sunday, June 30, 2024.

Questions? Contact Julie Atkinson at 214-491-1537 or Julie.Atkinson@house.texas.gov.

All my Best,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jeff Leach".

State Representative Jeff Leach