

MILITARY AND VETERAN STUDENTS AND FAMILY MEMBERS

RCCD exempts students from non-resident tuition who are members of the armed forces of the United States stationed in this state on active duty, except those assigned to California for educational purposes. A student who is a natural or adopted child, stepchild, or spouse who is a dependent of a member of the armed forces who is classified as a California resident is also exempt from non-resident tuition. A qualified Veteran and/or dependent who resides in California and is attending a California school within three years of discharge will receive Resident Tuition Rate. [Veterans Access, Choice, and Accountability Act of 2014 (VACA Act)]

Dependents of certain Veterans are exempt from paying enrollment fees. (1) Any dependent eligible to receive assistance under Article 2 of chapter 4 of division 4 of the Military and Veterans Code. (2) Any child of any Veteran of the US military who has a service-connected disability, has been killed in service, or has died of a service-connected disability, where the Dept. of Veterans Affairs determines the child eligible. (3) Any dependent, or surviving spouse who has not remarried, of any member of the CA National Guard who, in the line of duty, and while in the active service of the state, was killed, died of a disability resulting from an event while in active service of the state, or is permanently disabled as a result of an event that occurred while in the active service of the state. (4) Any undergraduate student who is a recipient of a Congressional Medal of Honor and who is under 27 years old, provided his/her income, including parental support, does not exceed the national poverty level and the parental recipient of the Medal of Honor was a CA resident at the time of his or her death. Students who feel they are eligible for a fee exemption should contact the Dept. of Veterans Affairs for more information.

Military and Veteran Student and Family Member Educational Access

Military and veteran students and family members who provide a certificate of eligibility or valid VAF 28-1905 and who intend to utilize educational benefits provided by the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944 (G.I. Bill®) or Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (VR&E) benefits, and who meet prerequisite and enrollment requirements, may enroll in RCCD courses and programs according to established matriculation and registration criteria. In cases where payment to RCCD is delayed from the Veterans' Administration students will maintain access to college and district facilities, and will not be assessed late fees or penalties, nor be dropped from courses, or required to borrow additional funds to pay course or college fees.