



Information for ALL Veterans

Candidates and Interns in the Region 10 TPC Program are eligible to receive benefits from VA and/or Troops to Teachers. The Region 10 TPC Program is an approved program for individuals eligible for Veterans Educational Benefits.

- **EVEN IF YOU ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR VETERANS BENEFITS OR TROOPS TO TEACHERS, PLEASE COMPLETE THE VETERANS WORKSHEET AND RETURN TO THE TPC OFFICE.** The Texas Military Initiative is requesting that Region 10 retain a copy and forward the original form in order to maintain options approved for veterans. For assistance, contact the coordinator for the Texas Military Initiative/Troops to Teachers: *Meryl Kettler*, 512.919.5484 or 1.800.810.5484.
- You may access the VA website at: <http://www.gibill.va.gov/> for information about Education Benefits.
- In order to assist you with the processing of the VA benefits, the TPC office must have the *Certificate of Eligibility* and a *copy of your DD-214* from VA on file. In order to receive the Certificate of Eligibility, you will need to apply online with the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- **If you have never used your Education Benefits** you can apply by filing the **Application for Education Benefits - VA Form 22-1990**. This application is available on-line. Go to: <http://vabenefits.vba.va.gov/vonapp/main.asp> . To apply on line, go to **Start VONAPP**.
- **If you have used your Education Benefits before**, you will need to request a **Change of Program - VA Form 22-1995** (http://www.gibill.va.gov/GI_Bill_Info/education_forms.htm) **You must print this form to fill out and follow the instructions for submitting to the VA.**
- Once you receive your *Certificate of Eligibility* for benefits, **submit a copy** to Region 10 TPC. We must have a copy of your *Certificate of Eligibility and a copy of your DD-214* in order to submit paperwork to the VA office verifying your training and/or internship.

The *Veterans Training Document* is used to report your coursework hours. You must keep track of the coursework hours that you attend. Once you have completed a course, you must submit the form to the Region 10 TPC office. Each course must be documented separately. Attendance will be verified and then the appropriate paperwork will be submitted to VA. Upon initiation of your internship, document the beginning date with the District and Campus information on the Veterans Training Document form. Your internship will be verified and then Region 10 TPC will submit the appropriate paperwork to the VA office.

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