

WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS ASSISTANCE

GENERAL INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR WV WAR ORPHAN EDUCATION PROGRAM

IMPORTANT – PLEASE READ

APPLICATION FORM – ONLY standard application DVA 10 will be used by all applicants.
INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING DVA 10

This form to be used only by NEW applicants:

- Line 1 Give full name of child, sex, date and place of birth
- 2 Complete **HOME** address. Do not use school address. All correspondence from Dept. of Veterans Assistance will be directed to home address. It is the responsibility of applicant to advise promptly of any change of address.
- 3 Name of school you will attend for semester covered by this application and name of last school attended if different
- 4 Scholastic standing to be completed by principal or dean of last school attended
- 5 Full name of deceased veteran. Date and place of death
- 6 Cause of death (must be completed) Branch of Service and Service Serial Number.
- 7 Veterans Administration Claim Number, if any. Signature of parent or student age 18 or older
- 8 Veterans Assistance Officer's report and recommendation. New applications must be signed by the Veterans Assistance Officer of the Department of Veterans Assistance in the area in which the student resides.

Eligibility –The Candidate/Student:

1. **Must be at least sixteen and not more than twenty-five years of age;**
2. **Must be enrolled in a post-secondary education or training institution in this state; and**
3. **The child of an enlistee who designated West Virginia as his or her state of record.**
4. **Student must be a child of a veteran who served on active duty in the armed forces at some time during one of the following periods:**

World War I – April 6, 1917 to July 2, 1921. World War II – December 1, 1941 to December 31, 1946.

Provided that if a veteran was on active duty on December 31, 1946, continuous service before July 26, 1947 shall be considered wartime service for the purpose of this program. Korean War – June 27, 1950 to January 31, 1955,

Vietnam Era – August 5, 1964 – May 7, 1975. Kosovo – November 20, 1995 – December 31, 2000.

Iraq – March 19, 2003 – Date to be determined. Afghanistan – October 7, 2001 – Date to be determined.

Death of veteran parent must have occurred during active duty in one of the above periods, OR at any time during which the forces or members of the reserve components are called to active duty by the President of the United States under Title 10 of the United States Code for the purpose of entering into armed combat; and who were killed in action or have died or may hereafter die from disease or disability resulting from this war service. NOTE: If death occurred after discharge, proof of death and evidence showing relationship between cause of death and service must accompany application.

BENEFITS:

MONETARY AWARDS – Approved students may receive monetary awards to help defray costs of room, board, books, clothing and other incidental school expenses other than tuition fees.

WAIVER OF TUITION – Students attending a University or College operated by the State of West Virginia will have their tuition and registration fees waived upon approval of application.

DEADLINE DATES: All applications must be approved by the War Orphan Education Officer.

The War Orphans Education Officer will consider all applications returned in sufficient time for processing.

Important: All applications and re-applications **must be received** for processing as follows:

The **first week** in August for consideration for the Fall Semester

The **first week** in December for consideration for the Spring Semester.

Please Note: Re-application must have a copy of grades for previous semester attended.

Return completed application to: **Angela Meadows, War Orphans Education Officer
West Virginia Department of Veterans Assistance
1321 Plaza East, Suite 109
Charleston, WV 25301-1400**