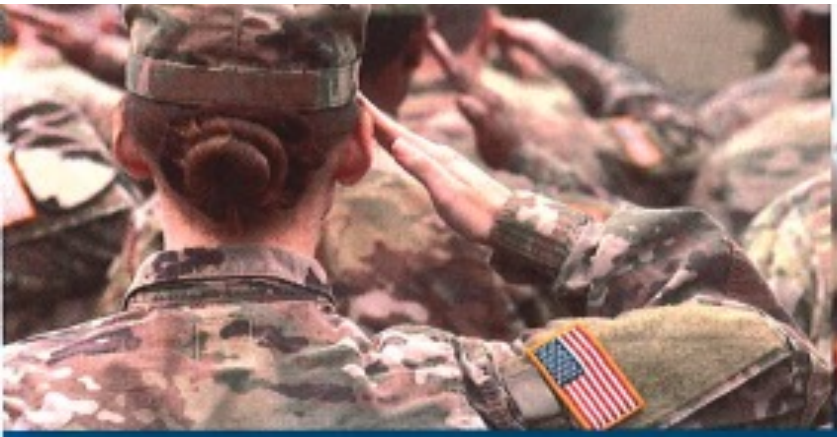
ALERT

DEADLINE IS TOMORROW

it is easy and doesn't take long



TEXAS MILITARY DEPARTMENT ★★★ STATE TUITION ASSISTANCE

Need Money for College?

Plan for the 2025 Spring Semester!

Spring Application
opens 01 Nov 2024
closes 03 Jan 2025

https://tmd.texas.gov/state-tuition-assistance-program

ABOUT US

State Tuition Assistance (STA) is an education benefit for Texas Service Members (TXARNG, TXANG, TXSG), **funded by Texas for Texans.** We believe in the power of education to transform lives and aim to **support resourceful minds committed to making a positive impact through learning.**

WHY STATE TUITION ASSISTANCE?

- Awards up to **$10,000** per semester for Fall & Spring.
- Tuition paid **up front.**
- Covers **10 semesters** or five years.
- Provides up to **12 semester hours of tuition and mandatory fees.**
- For use exclusively at **Texas colleges and universities.**
- Ability to **combine** with other education grants, scholarships, and benefits.
- Applicable for undergraduate, graduate, and **professional degre**
& academic certifi

ELIGIBILITY

- **Active member in good standing** with the TXARNG, TXANG, TXSG
- Enlisted **(E1-E9)**, Officers **(O1-O5)**, and Warrant Officers **(W1-W3)**
- **AGRs**
- **Must have completed one:** Basic training,

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Contact us & find out how we can help fulfill your educational goals: (512) 782-5515 Option 2

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LONE STAR PULSE

TF INFO

The Pulse uses your TF input.

Send content submissions and requests to: ng.tx.txarng.list.ols-info@army.mil

NEWS UPDATES

Stars and Stripes | Army Times | Military Times

[Drone World: The Predator]

[ICYMI: Twice A Warrior Addiction and Revival]

[Biden announces nearly $2.5 billion in military aid for Ukraine]

COMIC RELIEF

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Guardians,
In this New Year, let us resolve to…

- Strengthen our bonds of **camaraderie**: Support one another, share your burdens, and celebrate your victories.
- Prioritize our physical and mental **well-being**: Seek support when needed, utilize the resources available to you, and remember that taking care of yourselves is not a sign of weakness but a testament to your strength.
- Maintain unwavering focus on the **mission**: Remember the importance of your role in protecting our communities and upholding the rule of law.

As we move forward into 2025, may God protect you, guide you, and raise you up in all your endeavors. May you carry within you the feeling of the unwavering support of your fellow soldiers and the grateful nation you serve.

Godspeed and Happy New Year.

GAME ZONE

Nintendo Switch | Steam | Xbox | PlayStation

Polygon

[Games that are funny]

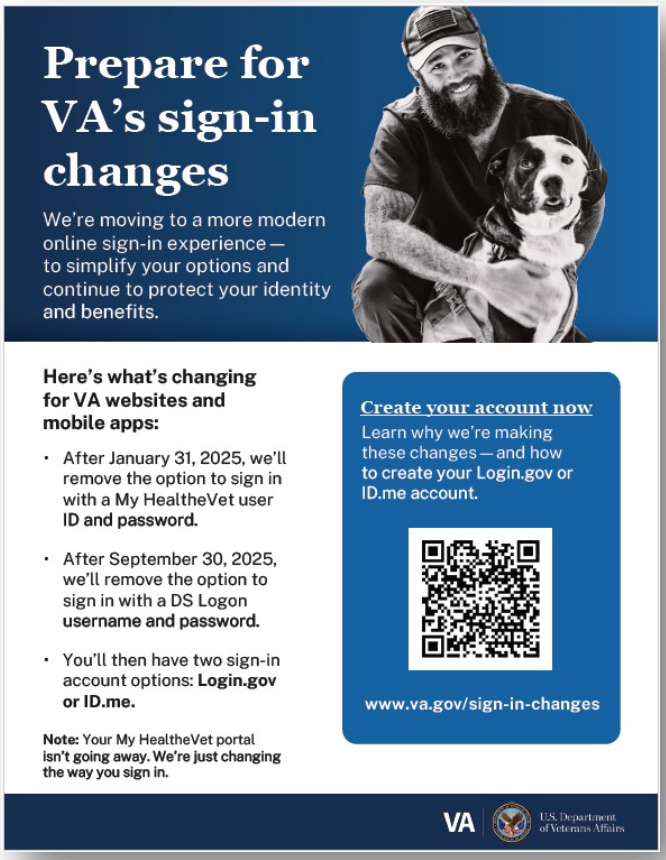
[Best games of 2024]

WUTHERING WAVES
Windows | Mobile | PS5
Genre: Action RP
Release Date: January 2, 2025

FREEDOM WARS REMASTERED
PS Vita | PS4/5 | Switch | Windows
Genre: Action RP
Release Date: January 10, 2025

BLADE CHIMERA
Windows
Genre: Action
Release Date: January 16, 2025

DONKEY KONG COUNTRY RETURNS
Switch | 3DS | Wii
Genre: Platform
Release Date: January 16, 2025



Kreative Grounds Café
January 3, 2025
5:00 - 8:00 pm
North 10th Street
McAllen, Texas 78501

Bring your instruments, ears, and beautiful voices and joins us every Friday from 5-8pm and support local artists and poets!

Fergus "The Ferg" Dowling
January 3, 2025
7:30 - 11:30 pm
Schneider's German Gasthaus & Beergarden
North Ware Road McAllen, Texas 78504

7 DAY FORECAST FOR YOUR AREA

Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed
73° 61°	73° 61°	83° 69°	84° 58°	65° 50°	57° 47°	52° 45°

OLS Rally Point

PAY DATES FY25							
TASK FORCE	Period	Days	Date Paid		Period	Days	Date Paid
TF EAST	30 OCT - 28 NOV 24	30	5-7 Dec		29 NOV - 29 DEC 24	31	6-7 Jan
TXSG	1 NOV - 30 NOV 24	30			1 DEC - 31 DEC 24	31	

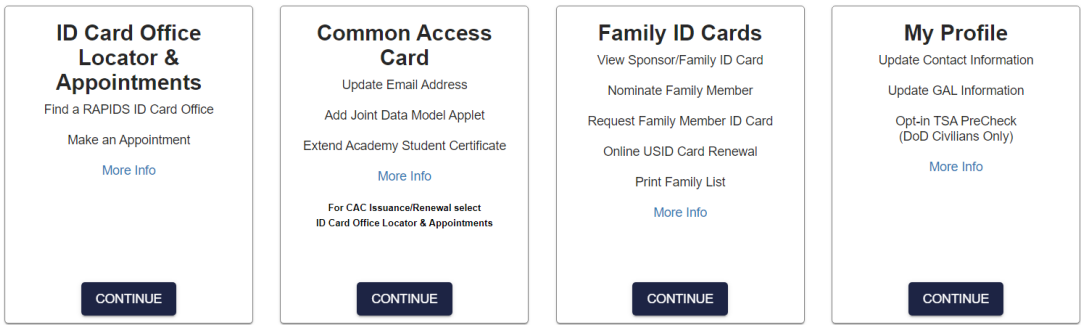
TRICARE®

WHO: All Tricare Beneficiaries that live in Texas **Home | TRICARE**

WHAT: January 1st 2025, Texas, Illinois, Louisiana, Oklahoma, and Wisconsin will transition from TRICARE East to TRICARE West.

To ensure you receive the most up to date and current information and prevent lapses in your current TRICARE coverage:

1. Log in to ID Card Office Online (osd.mil) to update your Profile and update Dependent Profiles.
ID Card Office Online



DS Logon – DMDC

2. Log into the Beneficiary Web Enrollment (BWE) milConnect - BWE (osd.mil) to ensure healthcare coverage is correct.

milConnect - FAQ Find a TRICARE Plan | TRICARE

3. Starting in early November you should create an account on the TriWest patient portal.

4. To ensure you can make your payments to TriWest (if applicable), update your payment information (Note: If you pay by allotment, you do not need to do this. Allotment payments will transfer automatically).

5. Search for providers in the new TriWest provider network directory on the patient portal.