

Veteran Education Benefits

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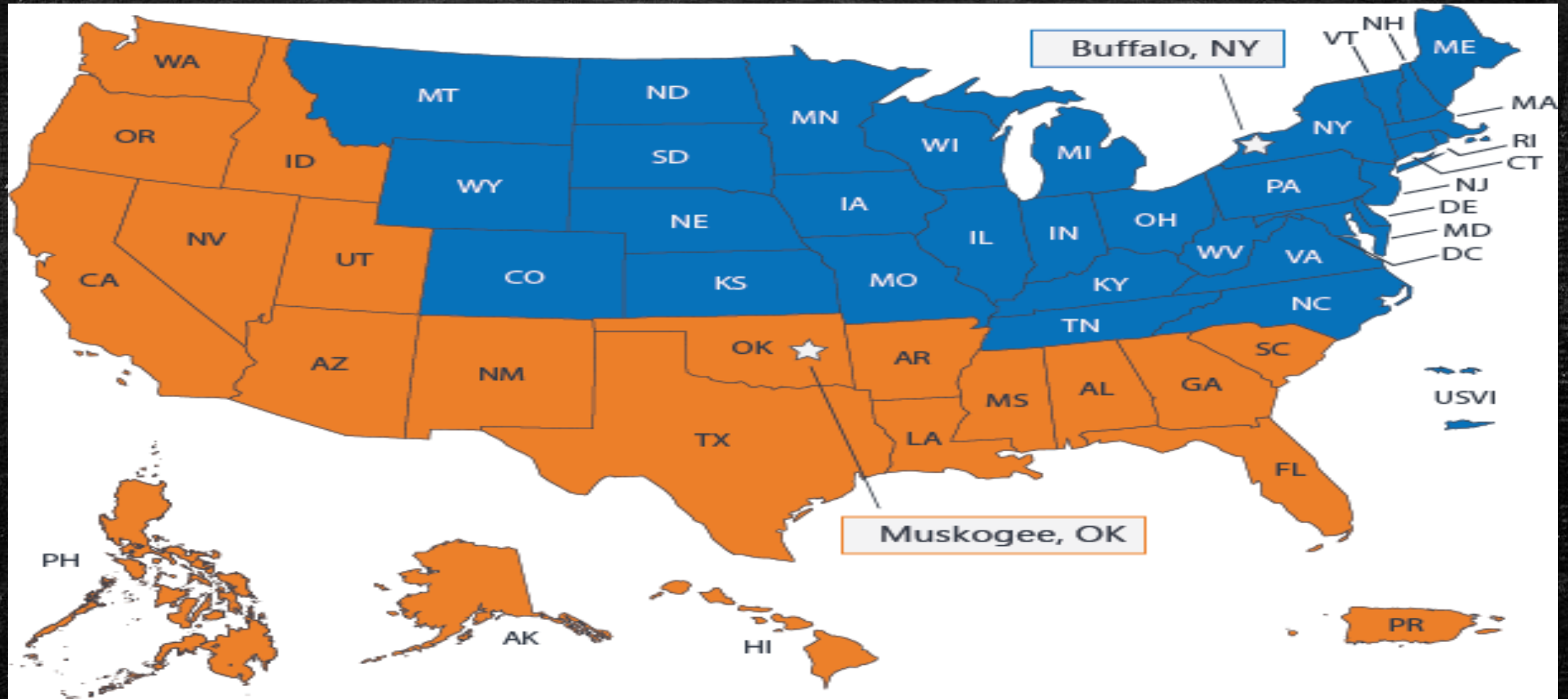
What we will discuss:

- Introduction of Presenter
- VA Education Benefit Administrators
- Approval Process for GI Bill funding
- Ch 1606, Ch 30, Ch 33, Yellow Ribbon, Section 702 of the Veterans Choice Act, STEM, Ch 35, GySgt Fry, and Ch 31
- Work-Study Program
- Tutorial Assistance
- Resources
- Questions and Connections

Presenter

- Ryan Barnett, USMC Infantry 2002-2006 and 2008-2009
- Iraq, March 2003, UDP-Okinawa/Philippines, Afghanistan 2004, and Fallujah 2005-06.
- Benefits used for education: CH 30, CH 31, and Ch 33
- Working with Veterans in current capacity since 2015.

Education Administrators-Regional Processing Offices



Education Administrators-Cont

Education Liaison
Representative (ELR)

State Approving Agency (SAA)

School Certifying Official (SCO)

- ELR=VBA Employee
- SAA=State Employee
- SCO= Designated School Employee

Education Liaison
Representative/State
Approving Agency/School
Certifying Official

What do they do?

Responsible to the VA for Education Administration

ELR

- Updates Web Enabled Approval Management System (WEAMS/
- Authorize SCO access through VA form 22-8794
- Handles Direct Deposit information for schools (Public Law 104-134, also known as "The Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996" requires all federal payments be made by Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) and there are no exceptions for Vendor payments.)

SAA

- Gathers and maintains education documentation related to programming.
- Helps coordinate Risk Based Surveys
- Approves/Disapproves education programs based on VA requirements.
- Communicates with ELR and SCO

School Certifying Official-HEAVY LIFTER

- Submits VA 22-1999 (VA Enrollment Certification)
- Maintains student education file: class schedule, transcripts, bursar record, etc. 3 year record keeping.
- May advise student academically. May be a Jack of All Trades!
- Constant point of contact with Veteran and dependents.
- Handles Risk Based Survey (RBS).

SCO's are located found in various areas around campus.

Some may be found within the Registrar Office, Financial Aid Office, Student Account Office, or Admissions.

Every organization is structured differently. However, the role of SCO doesn't change!

Systems Used for Education Benefits

- **Web Enabled Approval Management System (WEAMS)=Main Source**
- **School Proprietary User Interface, Banner, Sales Force, Ellucian, etc.**
- **Enrollment Manager NEW**
- **Web Automated Verification of Enrollment W.A.V.E-CH1606 & CH 30**
- **CWINRS/TUNGSTEN-Ch 31 VR&E**
- **Financial Management System-FMS**

Approval Process for GI Bill

Organization Creates Program

- Regional/National Accreditation Approve/Disapprove

Organization Submits to SAA for Approval

- Organization submits all relevant documentation to include marketing, finances, and catalog to SAA.

SAA/ELR Approve

- SAA notifies organization of approval/disapproval. ELR updates WEAMS. SCO is cleared to report student and program.

GI Bill Benefit Process-Application



APPLICATION FORM

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Last Name	First Name	Middle
Address	City	State
Phone	Email address	

VA 22-1990

Ch 1606 Selected Reserves MGIB

Ch 30 Montgomery GI Bill

Ch 33 Post 9/11 GI Bill

VA 22-1990e

Ch 33 Post 9/11 Transfer of Entitle Benefits (TEB)

VA 22-5490

Ch 35 Dependents Education Assistance (DEA)

GySgt Fry Scholarship (Post 9/11)

VA 28-1900

Ch 31 Veteran Readiness & Employment

22-10203

Edith Nourse STEM Scholarship

Ch 1606 Selected Reserves MGIB

Full time enrollment: **\$466**/ for each full month

$\frac{3}{4}$ time enrollment: **\$349**/ for each full month

$\frac{1}{2}$ time enrollment: **\$233**/ for each full month

< than $\frac{1}{2}$ time enrollment: **\$116.50** for each full month

Chapter 1606 DOES NOT pay tuition and fees!

DoD allows Ch 1606 and TA to be used when $\frac{1}{2}$ and above (05/2021)

Eligibility:

6 year service obligation

Completed High School or
equivalent

Completed Initial Active
Duty for Training (IADT)

Ch 30 Montgomery GI Bill

Full Time Enrollment: **\$2,210** for each full month

$\frac{3}{4}$ Time Enrollment: **\$1,657.50** for each full month

$\frac{1}{2}$ Time Enrollment: **\$1,105.00** for each full month

$< \frac{1}{2}$ Time Enrollment: **\$1,105.00** for each full month, not to exceed cost of tuition

$\frac{1}{4}$ Time Enrollment: **\$552.50** for each full month, not to exceed cost of tuition

Can be combined with Tuition Assistance Top Up.

10 years to use 36 months after active duty separation

Active Duty and paid \$100/month for 12 months.

\$600 buy up eligible.

Served at least 2 years of active duty.

Ch 33 Post 9/11

- Percentage of Eligibility
 - 36 months= 100%
 - 30-35 months=90%
 - 24-29 months=80%
 - 18-23 months=70%
 - 6-17 months=60%
 - 90 days-5 months= 50%
 - Training Time is not counted towards active duty under 80%
- 36 months of Tuition and mandatory fees at the In-State rate.
- 100% is Yellow Ribbon Eligible.
- Military Housing Allowance of E-5 with Dependents (up to percentage of eligibility).
- Book stipend not to exceed \$1,000/year.
- Private School/Foreign School/Non-College Degree= \$27,120.05 of net tuition and mandatory fees
- Transferable to Dependents while on Active Duty. Children have until their 26th birthday to use TEB.
- Discharged after Jan 1, 2013- No Expiration Date.
- Discharged before Jan 1, 2013-15 years from Separation.

Ch 33 Post 9/11:Housing Stipend

Important Notes:

Paid directly to you (the student)

Based on percentage (%) of eligibility and credits taken

Undergraduates must have at least 7 credits to receive any stipend

Graduates must have at least 5 credits to receive any stipend

Number of Credits Required (Fall/Spring**)	Percentage of Housing Stipend Eligibility*	
	<u>Undergrad.</u>	<u>Grad.</u>
12+	100%	100%
11	90%	100%
10	80%	100%
9	80%	100%
8	70%	90%
7	60%	80%
6	0%	70%
5	0%	60%

**Based on E-5 with Dependents.
Where majority of credit hours
are taken (zip code).*

 = Full time

Yellow Ribbon Program

- Agreement between the organization and the VA for additional funding.
- Student MUST be using their POST 9/11 GI Bill AND be at a Private School or listed as an Out of State student.
- Schools select their contribution amount and number of students that they will fund.
- Yellow Ribbon IS NOT guaranteed to have all expenses paid. Yellow Ribbon does not cover a student after they exhaust their 9/11.
- Active Duty and spouse added 08/01/2022

Section 702 Choice Act 2014

- Beneficiary must be using Ch 30, Ch 31, Ch 33, or Ch 35
- MUST live in the state where the school/organization physically is located.
- Both of these must be true at minimum.
- If both are true, then the beneficiary is reduced to In-State tuition charges. (Mainly State School Issues).
- Ch 31 added in 2019 and Ch 35 was added 08/01/2022.

Edith Nourse STEM Scholarship

- Must be a Veteran with 100% Post 9/11 eligibility. GySgt Fry Scholarship.
- Must be enrolled in a STEM degree Undergraduate OR,
- Graduate Student with STEM degree and enrolled in clinical training for healthcare providers OR,
- Graduate Student with STEM degree and working towards a teaching license.
- Must be within 180 days of Post 9/11 exhaustion.
- The VA will pay up to \$30,000 or 9 additional months.
- STEM IS NOT Yellow Ribbon Eligible.
- MHA, Book Stipend, & Tuition /fees count towards the \$30,000 cap.
- Ex: Tuition/fees= \$7k, MHA= \$11k, and book stipend is \$500. Student used \$18,500 of \$30,000 in one 4 month semester.

Ch 35 Dependents Education Assistance (DEA)

DOES NOT PAY Tuition and Fees!!!!

Full-Time Enrollment= \$1,488 for each full month

$\frac{3}{4}$ Time Enrollment= \$1,176 for each full month

$\frac{1}{2}$ Time Enrollment= \$862 for each full month

$< \frac{1}{2}$ Time Enrollment BUY $> \frac{1}{4}$ Time Enrollment= \$862*

$\frac{1}{4}$ Time Enrollment= \$372* for each full month

*Not to exceed cost of tuition and mandatory fees

Students Eligible under both parents may use simultaneously for double the monthly payout. VA charges their entitlement twice.

Children and Spouses of permanent and totally service connected disabled Veterans.

Children 18-26 years of age. 8 years to use 36 months.

GySgt Fry Scholarship

- Yellow Ribbon Eligible
- Section 702 Eligible
- STEM Eligible
- Post 9/11 benefits @ 100% eligibility.
- Eligibility Requirements-check with the VA and apply.
- Certain beneficiaries are eligible for both CH 35 & GySgt Fry.

Ch 31 Veteran Readiness & Employment

- Pays tuition and fees at the In-State Rate
- Pays for books/supplies/parking/ special equipment
- Veteran either has Subsistence Allowance or elects to use Post 9/11 Subsistence Allowance (PSA 9/11).
- Discharged before Jan 1, 2013-Veteran has 12 years from discharge or date of first service connected disability rating.
- Discharged post Jan 1, 2013-no time limit (lottery winner)!
- Speak with a VR&E counselor (no one veteran is the same).

Work-Study Program-Heavy Lifter Adjacent

- Students using CH 1606, CH 30, CH 31, Ch 33, or CH 35
- Enrolled in $\frac{3}{4}$ time or greater
- May work up to 25 hours/week during the semester
- Paid State minimum wage tax free (this is not income).
- Must work exclusively with VA related tasks
- Must speak with Work-Site Supervisor and submit a 22-8691

Tutorial Assistance

- The VA may pay up to \$100 month during the semester in which the student is deficient in a program (specific class required).
- The VA will not pay more than \$1,200 per year.
- Student and School submit a 22-1990t
- SCO must keep proof of deficiency on file for the student.
- CH 30 students can receive \$600 before entitlement is charged.

Resources for Beneficiaries

- [GI Bill Comparison Tool](#)
- [WEAMS](#)
- [VA.GOV](#)
- Schools
- VSO
- [U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics](#)

Questions/Comments

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Happy to Connect!
