

Veterans Education Benefits Regulations

Chapter 35: Dependents and Survivors Educational Assistance

The Dependents Educational Assistance Program is an education benefit for eligible spouses and children of certain veterans. To be eligible, the student should be the spouse or child of a member of the Armed Forces who died while on active duty or due to a disability that the VA has determined is service-connected or is 100 percent permanently and totally disabled for a service-related reason.

- Dependents, who enroll after August 1, 2018, receive 36 months of benefits. Recipients are usually between the ages of 18-26.
- For a spouse, benefits end ten years from the date that the DVA declares eligibility or 20 years from the veteran's date of death.