

5. Since books are reused each semester, the inmates will not be required to reimburse book costs.
6. Upon release from TDCJ, those offenders who discharge their sentence should contact the office of WSD Continuing Education, P.O. Box 40, Huntsville, TX 77342-0040 to make arrangements for reimbursement of charges made to their post-secondary education reimbursement accounts for college tuition and testing.

In some instances, an inmate may not be required to reimburse certain State Reimbursable Costs. If an inmate is dropped from a course and the reason is deemed excused, he will not be liable for the reimbursement.

**Students with Felony or INS Detainees are not eligible for reimbursement and must pay all tuition costs from their trust fund account.*

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Hazlewood Act

A veteran may be entitled to apply for a waiver of tuition by Trinity Valley Community College if he meets the following requirements:

1. Be ineligible for any federal financial aid. Information must be submitted to the Financial Aid office by mid-semester in order to receive reimbursement;
2. Have no remaining entitlement under V.A. educational benefits;
3. Provide proof (DD214 Member Four) of an Honorable Discharge from the service;
4. Provide proof of having resided in Texas for at least one year prior to registration date;
5. Resided in Texas at the time of induction into the service.

Youthful Offender Grant

Those students qualifying for this grant may be entitled to a waiver of tuition and Texas Higher Education Assessment Test fees if he meets the following requirements:

1. Be 25 years of age or younger and within 5 years of release date.
2. Meet all other requirements for enrollment.

STUDENT SERVICES

ASSESSMENT AND PLACEMENT OF STUDENTS

All beginning freshmen students must submit official THEA Test (formerly TASP) scores or take the approved alternative test. If a student is required to take the THEA Test and does not receive the minimum required scores on the placement test or the THEA, he will be required to enroll in developmental studies courses and remain in such courses until he has satisfied the college's developmental policy.

Students who are required to enroll in developmental studies courses may be blocked from enrolling in certain semester credit hour courses. However, students should contact a TVCC Enrollment Coordinator for information on who must take the THEA Test and on concurrent enrollment.

TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION ASSESSMENT (THEA)

Texas law requires students to be assessed in the areas of reading, writing, and mathematics to ensure that students enrolled in Texas public colleges possess the academic skills needed to perform effectively in college-level coursework. THEA includes a testing component designed to identify and provide diagnostic information about the reading, mathematics and writing skills of each student.