



## TN STRONG Act

### What This Benefit Offers

- **Last-Dollar Reimbursement:** Provides tuition reimbursement for members of the TN National Guard for a first-time associate or bachelor's degree.
- **Coverage:** Up to 120 credit hours.
- **Gap Funding:** It is designed to "fill the gap" after Federal Tuition Assistance (FTA) and other state-funded grants are applied.

### Student Guidelines & Vol State Regulations

- **Apply Early:** You must apply for TN STRONG Act funding through the state website for each semester.
- **Exhaust FTA First:** You must apply for and use Federal Tuition Assistance (FTA) before TN STRONG will pay.
- **The 2.0 Rule:** You must maintain a minimum **2.0 GPA** for the semester in which you are requesting reimbursement.
- **90-Day Deadline:** You must submit your reimbursement packet (including final grades and itemized bill) to the State Tuition Assistance Manager within **90 days** of course completion.
- **Vol State Process:** Complete reimbursement request fully. The School Certifying Official will fill out Section III before submission. Submit completed reimbursement request and proof of Advanced Leadership Training (for graduate program applications) to the State TA Managers at:

Army: [ng.tn.tnarng.mbx.ngtn-state-tuition-assistance-army@army.mil](mailto:ng.tn.tnarng.mbx.ngtn-state-tuition-assistance-army@army.mil)

Air: [ng.tn.tnarng.mbx.ngtn-state-tuition-assistance-air@army.mil](mailto:ng.tn.tnarng.mbx.ngtn-state-tuition-assistance-air@army.mil)

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