

Exemptions and Waivers - Mandatory

Program Name	Statute	Notes
Hazlewood Exemptions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Veterans · child/spouse of deceased veteran · child/spouse of disabled veteran · Legacy recipients 	<u>TEC 54.341</u>	Veterans and other military personnel and dependents living in Texas receive 100% exemption from payment of tuition, based upon specific criteria
Children of Disabled Firemen/Peace Officers	<u>TEC 54.351</u>	Children who meet age requirements and are dependents of firefighters and law enforcement officers injured or killed in the line of duty receive 100% exemption of tuition
Firefighters taking Fire Science Courses	<u>TEC 54.353</u>	Students currently employed as firefighters receive 100% exemption of tuition when enrolled in a fire science curriculum
Peace Officer Exemption	<u>TEC 54.3531</u>	Students currently employed as peace officers receive 100% exemption of tuition when enrolled in a criminal justice curriculum
Children of Nurse Faculty	<u>TEC 54.355</u>	Children under the age of 25 whose parent is a nurse educator in Texas higher education receive 100% exemption of tuition
Preceptors and/or their Children	<u>TEC 54.356</u>	Children under the age of 25 whose parent is a nurse overseeing clinicals in Texas higher education receive a \$500 exemption of tuition
Deaf or Blind	<u>TEC 54.364</u>	Students presenting proper certification attesting to the fact that they are deaf or blind receive 100% exemption of tuition
Foster Care/TX Dpt. Family Protective Svcs.	<u>TEC 54.366</u>	Students who were under the conservatorship of the Department of Family and Protective Services on their 18th birthday receive 100% exemption of tuition
Adopted	<u>TEC 54.367</u>	Students who were adopted and formerly in foster or other residential care receive 100% exemption of tuition
Texas Tomorrow Fund Contract	<u>TEC 54.621(c)</u>	Students who are beneficiaries of a prepaid tuition contract receive exemption from payment of any additional tuition amounts for the credits covered under the contract
Foreign Service Officer	<u>TEC 54.206</u>	A foreign service officer employed by the US Department of State receives in-state tuition when assigned to a foreign nation that borders the state
College Teachers, Professors and their Dependents	<u>TEC 54.211</u>	A professor of higher education in Texas and their dependents receive in-state tuition regardless of the length of time they have lived in Texas
NATO Members and Families	<u>TEC 54.232</u>	A non-immigrant alien and their dependents residing in Texas in accordance with certain NATO agreements receive in-state tuition regardless of the length of time they have lived in Texas
Military (and dependents) in Texas	<u>TEC 54.241</u>	An active officer, enlisted person, selectee, or draftee of the U.S. armed forces and their dependents living in Texas on assignment receive in-state tuition regardless of the length of time they have lived in Texas
Ex-Prisoners of War	<u>TEC 54.342</u>	Children of ex-prisoners of war on or after January 1, 1999 receive full exemption of tuition and also receive free housing and other assistance upon enrollment for 12 semester credit hours
Children of POWs and MIAs	<u>TEC 54.343</u>	Children of members of the armed forces currently declared as prisoners of war or missing in action receive full exemption of tuition
Taps Performers	<u>TEC 54.344</u>	Students who sound TAPS in military funerals shall receive a \$25 tuition exemption
National Guard Waiver	<u>TEC 54.345</u>	Students who are identified annually by the adjutant general of the state military forces receive exemption of tuition for up to 12 semester credit hours

Dependents of Deceased Public Servants	<u>TEC 54.354</u>	Children and surviving spouses of certain deceased firefighters, peace officers and other public servants receive exemption of tuition, free textbooks and housing assistance
Economic Development	<u>TEC 54.222</u>	Children of persons who are employed by a business that relocated within the past 5 years to Texas under certain agreements with the Texas Economic Development and Tourism Office receive in-state tuition regardless of length of residency in Texas
One-Year Exemption for Certain TANF Students	<u>TEC 54.361</u>	Student who graduated from high school in Texas and during the last year of high school was a dependent child receiving financial assistance under chapter 31, Human Resources Code is exempt from one year of tuition
Educational Aides	<u>TEC 54.363</u>	Student who worked as an educational aide is exempt from paying tuition under certain conditions when enrolling in courses required for teacher certification

Exemptions and Waivers - Optional

Program Name	Statute	Notes
Ad Valorem	<u>TEC 130.0032</u>	Out-of-District students coming from households who own property and pay property tax receive in-district rates
Community College District Employees	<u>TEC 130.0851</u>	Employees who live out of district receive in-district rates
Competitive Scholarship	<u>TEC 54.213</u>	Students coming from out of state who have a competitive scholarship in excess of \$1,000 receive in-district rate
Dual Enrollment – Jr. Colleges	<u>TEC 130.008, 54.216</u>	Dual Credit Students receive 75% exemptions from enrollment charges
Senior Citizen Lowered Tuition 55 +	<u>TEC 54.263</u>	CPD use only
Highest Ranking HS Scholar	<u>TEC 54.301</u>	Students who graduated to of their class receive full tuition waiver for 2 semesters
Good Neighbor	<u>TEC 54.331</u>	Tuition waiver for up to 235 students native-born in other countries in American hemisphere
Senior Citizen 65+ for 6 hours free tuition	<u>TEC 54.365 (c)</u>	Students over age 65 receive tuition waiver for up to 6 SCH, if space is available
Disabled Peace Officer	<u>TEC 54.352</u>	Student can have tuition waived if student is permanently disabled as a result of an injury suffered during the performance of a duty as a peace officer of this state or a political subdivision of this state
Combat Exemption	<u>TEC 54.2031</u>	Student who is a dependent of a parent deployed during active combat may have tuition waived