ALABAMA NATIONAL GUARD EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (ANGEAP)

SB 315 passed and signed by Gov. Ivey on May 23, 2017, known as ACT 2017-349.

The impact of the Alabama National Guard Educational Assistance Program (ANGEAP) begins on Page 17, Line 17 of the ACT that has been provided. We are currently in the process of updating the application relating to the modified ANGEAP program. Notification will be sent on the completion.

The application process will remain the same:

Section I completed by the Applicant/Student;

Section II completed by the Veterans Affairs Office/Financial Aid Office; and

Section III completed by the Education Services Office.

There will be an increase, effective Fall 2017, in the amount from the current (2016-2017) \$2,000.00 annual award amount. 2017-18 AWARD AMOUNT \$5,080.00 PER SEMESTER

Only 10% of the yearly appropriated funds are designated for Graduate reimbursements

ANGEAP will cover only the remaining balance of tuition and fees that are not otherwise covered by any VA benefits received by the student.

- Award amount per semester (Fall, Spring, Summer) not to exceed the average cost of tuition per semester of a state-supported Alabama four-year institution. This award amount will be determined by July 31st by ACHE based upon institutional tuition increases and the annual program appropriation each year.
- Benefit Deductions

Veteran's educational benefits (Montgomery GI Bill, Chapter 1607, Post 9/11 and Tuition Assistance) that are received by the applicant are to be deducted (Section II, Item D of the ANGEAP application) in determining amount applicant is eligible to receive.

Non-Deductions

Federal Pell grant, work-study and student loans are not to be included as deductions for ANGEAP eligibility.

Students shall take the necessary steps to utilize the above benefits, but only VA and Tuition Assistance benefits will be deducted from the ANGEAP calculations.

- Program will reimburse for tuition and fees only. Qualifying tuition are classes or courses that
 <u>counts towards the individual's certificate plan or declared program of study</u>. Books and
 supplies are no longer covered.
- All payments will be made at the end of each semester.

- <u>All applicants</u> (Undergraduates and Postgraduates) must have FAFSA completion on file. To ensure students are aware of all educational benefits available.
- Applicants must be enrolled in a degree or certificate program in any community, technical
 college under the authority of the Alabama Community College System Board of Trustees; or
 enrolled pursuing 1st undergraduate or postgraduate degree in an accredited college or
 university within the state.
- Must have a 2.0 cumulative GPA <u>Undergraduate</u>; <u>3.0 Graduate</u> at the end of each semester.
- Must be an Alabama resident
- ANGEAP Form Link:
 - o http://ache.edu/Content/Departments/StudentAsst/StudentAsst.aspx