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## **Cal-Vet Fee Waiver Information Sheet**

The College Tuition Fee Waiver for Veteran Dependents (Cal Vet Fee Waiver) benefit waives mandatory system-wide tuition and fees at any California Community College, California State University, or University of California campus.

Cal Vet Fee Waivers (CVFW) are only necessary at California Community Colleges if a student does not qualify for a California College Promise Grant (CCPG). Students can determine their eligibility for the CCPG by submitting the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at <a href="studentaid.gov">studentaid.gov</a>. If a student qualifies for the CVFW and the CCPG, the CCPG will be replaced with the CVFW, which is not subject to loss of benefit for academic progress reasons.

## ----- Applying for the Cal-Vet Fee Waiver -----

All Cal-Vet Fee Waiver application material must be submitted to a county Veteran Service Office (VSO). Once processed through the VSO, the official CVFW can be submitted to NVC Veterans Services.

The CVFW should be reapplied for each school year before the start of the summer semester.

- □ Check your eligibility online at <u>www.calvet.ca.gov</u>. Click on Education, then College Fee Waiver.
  □ Before the start of each new school year, bring the required forms to your county's VSO. Forms include:
  - The Cal-Vet Fee Waiver application can be found online at your VSO or at <u>www.calvet.ca.gov</u>. Click on Education, College Fee waiver, and then download the application.
  - If applying for Plan B and D: Copy of the student's prior year's tax return or a statement from the IRS stating there is no record of a return filed that year, dated after April 15.

First time applicants should also bring:

- VA Paperwork with veterans disability rating
- Birth certificate (Child only)
- Marriage/domestic partnership certificate (Spouse or stepchild)
- Adoption papers (Adopted child only)

The Cal-Vet Fee Waiver Plan A cannot be used simultaneously with the Chapter 35 benefit.