



# Montgomery GI Bill "Kicker"

## 1. What is it?

- The Kicker Incentive is an additional education payment to encourage Soldiers to enter into specific units or skills to meet and sustain ARNG readiness requirements. Enlisted, Officer Candidate and Officer specific Kicker Incentives are available – each with specific criteria and rules (Reference: DoDI 1322.17).

## 2. How Do I Qualify?

- Be eligible for the MGIB-SR/Chapter 1606 or MGIB-AD/Chapter 30 (cannot contract for the MGIB Kicker if you only qualify for Chapter 1607 or Chapter 33)
- Agree to serve in a critical skill/critical unit or enter an officer commissioning program.
- Enlisted must sign a six year reserve service contract on or after 1 July 1985.
- Complete IADT or Officer Branch Qualification.
- Not on Military Technician, AGR, or Active Duty Status.
- Not flagged for unsatisfactory participation.
- Not on a Dedicated ARNG ROTC Scholarship (Reference: Title 10 USC 2107).

## 2. What Do I Get?

- \$200 or \$350 per month depending on your Kicker contract.
- Kicker payment is 'in addition' to your basic GI Bill payment.

## 3. How Do I Apply?

- ✓ Contact your State Education Office to validate your eligibility.
- ✓ Submit the Veterans Online Application at: [www.vabenefits.vba.va.gov/vonapp](http://www.vabenefits.vba.va.gov/vonapp)  
Be sure to include a copy of your Kicker contract.
- ✓ Notify the School Certifying Official at your school so they can certify your enrollment.
- ✓ Continue to verify your enrollment each month online at: [www.gibill.va.gov/wave](http://www.gibill.va.gov/wave)

### *For More Information:*

- ❖ Visit the VA Web Site: [www.benefits.va.gov/gibill](http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill)
- ❖ Visit us On-Line: [www.nationalguard.com/education](http://www.nationalguard.com/education)
- ❖ Contact your State Education Office:
  - Available at [nq.wa.waarnq.list.per-education@mail.mil](mailto:nq.wa.waarnq.list.per-education@mail.mil)



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