REAL LIFE EDUCATION THAT GIVES AND SAVES LIVES

Each year, emergency medical service agencies in Alabama hire more than 300 Emergency Medical Services Personnel (EMSPs) to offer life-saving support to their communities. In addition to these paid openings, the more than 900 volunteer fire departments and rescue squads in Alabama also rely on certified and committed EMSPs to meet their community needs.

The State of Alabama created the Volunteer Rescue Student Tuition Reimbursement Program (Act 2018-524) in 2018. The legislation allows for students who obtain their EMT, Advanced EMT, and Paramedic certification from an Alabama Community College, the Alabama Fire College or the University of South Alabama to be reimbursed their tuition costs for the training.

COMMITS FOR THREE YEARS, GET REIMBURSED TUITION

In order to qualify for the Volunteer Rescue Student Tuition Program, the applicant must commit - and show verification of a commitment - to at least three years of service to a volunteer fire or rescue squad. Volunteering as an EMT, AEMT, and Paramedic increases the worker’s experience and helps local communities.

WHAT IT MEANS TO VOLUNTEER

The exceptional training you receive at Alabama’s community colleges prepares you to be the difference-maker in emergency medical services in your community. The skills you can bring - and feel accomplished while doing so - include:

- Emergency Medical Treatment
- Emergency Diagnostics & Exam Techniques
- Drug Administration
- Treatment Coordination
- Patient Comfort and Reassurance

HOW IT WORKS

1. Student submits program agreement and documents to ACCS
2. ACCS reviews packet and if complete, issues reimbursement* to College
3. College disburses reimbursement to student

*All funding is based on availability.
It's simple. Contact your college’s EMS program director, obtain a Tuition Reimbursement Program Agreement and complete it.

A completed Tuition Reimbursement Program Agreement must contain the following:

- Unofficial OR official college transcript showing successful completion of an approved EMT, Advanced EMT and Paramedic program*
- Proof of National Registry at the EMT, AEMT, and Paramedic Level
- Proof of State of Alabama Licensure at the EMT, AEMT, and Paramedic level
- Proof of Volunteer Fire Department/Rescue Squad Affiliation on Official Department Letterhead with the Chief’s Signature

Send completed Tuition Reimbursement Program Agreement to Bryant Cline at ACCS.

*Students must have entered an approved EMT, AEMT, and Paramedic program on or after October 1, 2019.

PARTICIPATING COLLEGES

Alabama Community Colleges
Alabama Fire College
University of South Alabama

FOR MORE INFORMATION:
Contact your college’s EMS program director

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