

VOLUNTEER RESCUE STUDENT TUITION PROGRAM

FOR **EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PERSONNEL (EMSP)s**



REAL LIFE EDUCATION THAT GIVES AND SAVES LIVES

Each year, emergency medical service agencies in Alabama hire more than 300 Emergency Medical Services Personnel (**EMSP**)s 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 **EMSP**s 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.

COMMIT 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



Student submits program agreement and documents to **ACCS**



ACCS reviews packet and if complete, issues reimbursement* to College



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

or

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