Military Spouse or Dependent Checklist

Complete the following checklist if you are a spouse or unmarried dependent of a member of a Uniformed Service (Marine Corps, Navy, Army, Air Force, Coast Guard, National Guard, or Space Force) and intend on applying to Dyersburg State Community College (DSCC).

DSCC Application Process

- Create a Login ID and PIN, and fill out the free online application.
- Send an official copy of all high school and college transcripts, including military/Joint Service transcripts, to DSCC
- Submit an official ACT/SAT score if you are under 21 years of age. If you do not have either/or, sign up to take the ACCUPLACER test.
- Provide a completed Immunization Health History form.

Financial Aid Process

- Complete the <u>FAFSA</u>. The FAFSA must be filled out **ANNUALLY** in order to receive financial aid.
 - o Review DSCC's <u>financial aid webpage</u> for more information.

VA Benefits Process

- For Chapter 35 (Survivors' and Dependents' Educational Assistance Program)
 - Create or log in to your <u>benefits account</u>.
 - Fill out the application for Dependents Education Assistance (Form 22-5490).
 - If you have previously used these benefits at a different institution, fill out the Dependents' Request for Change of Program or Place of Training (Form 22-5495).
- For Chapter 33 (Post 9/11 GI Bill®) GI Bill® is a registered trademark of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).
 - Veterans
 - In order to transfer your benefits to a spouse or dependents, visit the <u>Department of</u> Defense Transferability of Education Benefits (TEB).
 - Choose "edit" for any family member listed who you wish to transfer your benefits.
 - Choose the start/end dates AND the estimated number of months benefits will be used.
 - Indicate you understand your actions and submit.
 - Visit TEB to track the status of your transfer request. The date and status will appear in the upper left corner after approval.
 - Spouse and/or dependents
 - Once the above request is approved, you must apply to the use <u>transferred education</u> <u>benefits</u> (Form 22-1990e).

Using Benefits at DSCC

- Submit your Certificate of Eligibility (COE). THIS IS A REQUIREMENT FOR CERTIFICATION.
 - Any registered classes will not be paid for by the VA without certification.
- Submit your VA forms:
 - o Chapter 33: Form 22-1990e
 - o Chapter 35: Form 22-5490 OR Form 22-5495
- Submit a completed VA Entrance Counseling form.
- Meet with your advisor to develop a plan towards graduation and register for classes during a designated orientation day or a scheduled meeting.
 - o In order for the VA to pay for classes, designate a program of study which will lead to an Associate of Arts, Science, or Applied Science degree or eligible certificate listed in the DSCC catalog.