Enrollment Verification

A Guide for Institution of Higher Learning (IHL) Students

Post-9/11 GI Bill[®] students attending **IHL facilities** who receive Monthly Housing Allowance (MHA) and/or kicker payments are required to verify enrollment at the end of each month. This applies to IHL students with terms starting **after December 17, 2021**.







For a quick and easy experience, **VA highly recommends using text message verification**. When your enrollment is processed by VA, you will receive a text message from VA to opt into text message verification.¹

- Reply "YES" to opt-in. You will receive a text confirming you have opted in.
- The text message link will expire in **14 days**. After that, you will be automatically enrolled in email verification.
- If you reply "NO" or cannot receive texts, you will be automatically enrolled in email verification.

Step 2 Verify

Text: On the last day of each month, you will receive a text message requesting enrollment verification for that month.

- **Reply "YES"** to verify your enrollment.
 - If you don't reply within 6 days, the conversation will close and you will need to call the Education Call Center (ECC) at 1-888-GIBILL-1 (1-888-442-4551) to verify your enrollment.
- If your enrollment status has changed, reply "NO." Please contact your School Certifying Official (SCO) to ensure your enrollment record with VA has been adjusted.²

Email: If you opted out of text messages and/or have enrolled in email verification, **on the last day of each month**, you will receive an email requesting enrollment verification for that month.

- Select "Yes, my enrollment is the same" to verify your enrollment.
- If you don't select a response within **14 days**, the conversation will close and you will need to call the ECC to verify your enrollment.
- If your enrollment status has changed, select "No, my enrollment has changed."
 Please contact your SCO to ensure your enrollment record with VA has been adjusted.



Step 3 Payments

If you verify enrollment each month and still qualify to receive MHA and/or kicker benefits, your payments will continue uninterrupted.



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If you fail to verify for two consecutive months, your MHA and/or kicker will be placed on hold. You will need to call the ECC to verify your enrollment and have your payments released.

Visit our **website** and review our **FAQs** to learn more. Stay tuned for more details in the coming months.

¹ Non-College Degree (NCD) facility students who are already verifying their enrollment can opt into email verification by calling the ECC at 1-888-GIBILL-1 (1-888-442-4551) domestically or 001-918-781-5678 internationally.

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² To find your SCO, go to the **GI Bill Comparison Tool** and search for your school.



