**College Students – Age 21-23**

Dependent children age out of DEERS on 21st birthday.

Dependent children **required** by regulation to be **unmarried** to remain eligible for military entitlements.

Sponsor can re-establish dependent as DEERS eligible if Sponsor provides the following, in person, to a DEERS Office.

Only Sponsor or Power of Attorney (POA) holder with POA, in hand, can re-establish DEERS eligibility for a dependent.

Sponsor or POA obtain:

College Letter Head Memo, from an accredited institution, signed by the registrar’s office stating the following:

- Dependent is a full time student
- Dependent enrolled in 12 or more semester hours
- Begin and end date of semester PRIOR to 21st birthday
- Begin and end date of current semester
- Anticipated graduation date
  OR
- Transcript from the National Student Clearinghouse verifying student status.
  [www.studentclearinghouse.org](http://www.studentclearinghouse.org)

If college will not state the anticipated graduation date on the memo, sponsor will be required to provide DEERS office with a new college memo every semester.

College letters of acceptance cannot be used.
Veterans Affairs memos cannot use.

Sponsor required to certify on DD Form 1172-2 they provide “over 50 percent of the students support”. The DEERS office staff will document this statement, when preparing the DD Form 1172-2 and will witness the sponsor or POA’s signature when appropriate document is presented to the DEERS office.

**Note:** If the student takes a semester off, they are not entitled to DEERS benefits or ID card.

**Note:** Unmarried children 21 years or older who are not enrolled full time in school but are performing missionary duties as part of the school’s requirement to obtain their degree are NOT entitled to DEERS benefits or ID card.