

Chapter 33  
Post 9/11 GI Bill®  
Workforce Solutions

**Benefit information:**

[Dept of Veterans Affairs Post 9/11 GI Bill®](#)

**How to Apply and use Benefits:**

1. [Initial VA benefit application](#) or [update your school on file](#):
    - During our transition to our new college name, please use this institution information on the application for education benefits:  
  
Lord Fairfax Community College- Warrenton  
6480 College Street  
Warrenton, VA 20187
  2. Provide benefit documentation to Laurel Ridge Veteran services, [veterans@laurelridge.edu](mailto:veterans@laurelridge.edu)
    - Certificate of Eligibility, or
    - [Ebenefits](#) screen shot showing full benefit information
  3. Submit [VA certification request form](#)
    - This form is required each semester
  4. Review [Workforce Solutions Veterans Information Package](#) and return signed Statement of Student Understanding
  5. Send all applicable prior college transcripts
  6. Meet with Laurel Ridge School Certifying Official
  7. Enroll Welding course with [Workforce Solutions](#)
  8. Pay balance not covered by Post 9/11 to Workforce Solutions. VA will not pay for any book or welding certification cost.
- Student must [verify enrollment with VA](#) by phone or online each month

**BAH:**

1. Welding is 8 clock hours per week, predominately in the shop.
2. Student will not receive any BAH.

**Tuition/Fees:**

- In-state tuition and fees will be paid by VA directly to Laurel Ridge after drop period for each welding session
- If VA is late in payment, Laurel Ridge will wait and not penalize student for 90 days
- Less than 100% eligibility recipients are responsible for balance at time of enrollment
- Reductions in enrollment or failure to complete course may cause tuition debt

**Books:**

- Book stipend is paid to student approx. 10 days prior to session.

**Benefit questions**

- VA education hotline 1-888-442-4551
- [Dept of Veterans Affairs "Ask VA"](#)

Please verify all benefit information through military education website or VA education hotline 1-888-442-4551

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