



RAVE SCHOLARSHIP

Rainbow Assistance for Vocational Education (RAVE) Scholarship Program Instructions:

In a new and exciting initiative, The RDVF Board has approved a new initiative dedicated to serving soldiers. The Rainbow Division Veterans Foundation (RDVF) awards vocational scholarships up to \$2,000.00 to currently-serving soldiers assigned to the 42nd Infantry Division (to include “Division Aligned Units”).

This scholarship is available to enlisted soldiers starting at E-1 through warrant officers in the grade of WO1 or CW2 who are pursuing a vocational program degree or certification. It is a one-time award; soldiers may only receive one RAVE scholarship. Courses or classes should be directly related to acquiring necessary skills to advance your civilian career in the industry.

For example, these courses could include diesel mechanics, welding, bookkeeping, CDL driver school, or crane operator certification.

If you are pursuing a two-year degree, four-year degree or postgraduate work, you are not eligible for a RAVE Scholarship. See the RDVF Undergraduate Scholarship Application instead.

This vocational initiative for currently serving soldiers and WO1 or CW2 pursuing civilian advancement in skills is offered twice a year. Application deadlines are July 15th and December 15th with proof of current educational enrollment, specific needs, as well as proof of service in good standing within 42ID or aligned units as stated in your commander’s letter.

Fillable Application and sample commander’s memo follow:

Rainbow Division Veterans Foundation

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RDVF Rainbow Assistance for Vocational Education (RAVE) 2026:

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Name: _____

Home Address: _____

City, State Zip: _____

Email address: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Military Information:

Please list your rank, MOS, unit, and duty assignment.

Rank: _____ MOS: _____

Unit: _____

Duty Assignment: _____

Vocational Education Program:

Please list the vocational program you are enrolled in or applying to enter.

Name of Vocational Program: _____

Name of Institution: _____

Address of Institution: _____

Email address of instructor or point of contact (if known): _____

Your digital signature and date:

Briefly state why you want to pursue this vocational training. Explain what type of skill or certification you plan to earn, and how you plan to use the scholarship money (if awarded):

(If you need more room, attach a separate page to this application)

With this application, please attach a copy of the following documents:

- A document that shows you are currently enrolled in or are accepted into a vocational educational program.
- A memorandum from the first O-3 level commander in your National Guard chain of command confirming you are a currently-serving member of the Army National Guard and do not have any adverse actions against you.



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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Sample Commanders Memorandum, SPC BAGADONUTS, Joey P.

1. The purpose of this memorandum is to confirm that Specialist Joey P. Bagadonuts is a serving member of Headquarters and Headquarters Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 156th Field Artillery, New York Army National Guard.
2. Specialist Bagadonuts serves as a 92G Culinary Specialist with HHS Battery. He is not under any FLAG action, and has passed his most recent Army Combat Fitness Test. He also meets the Army height and weight standard.
3. The point of contact for this memorandum is the undersigned at 845-555-1156 or FSantabarbara@us.army.mil.

FELIX A. SANTABARBARA
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