

Southeast Community College (SCC) has partnered with the State of Nebraska in providing 100% waiver of resident tuition for Law Enforcement Officers, Firefighters, Firefighter-Paramedics and their dependent children. First Responders enrolling at SCC, please complete sections A & C. Dependents of First Responders, please complete sections B & C.

Section A

First Responder Name: _____ Student ID: _____

First Responder Program of Study: _____

Section B

Dependent Name: _____ Student ID: _____

Dependent Program of Study: _____

First Responder Parent Name: _____

First Responder Parent Email: _____ Phone Number: _____

Section C

The FAFSA @ www.studentaid.gov is required, have you completed your FAFSA with SCC listed as a school to receive your FAFSA?

Will you be receiving any outside third-party aid or scholarships? If so, what outside third-party aid are you receiving? _____

Other third-party assistance may be affected by the eligibility of the First Responder Waiver. Have you received the First Responders Recruitment and Retention Act tuition waiver at other Nebraska

**FIRST RESPONDER RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION ACT
TUITION WAIVER AGREEMENT**

This Tuition Waiver Agreement is entered into on the Effective Date by the undersigned Tuition Waiver Recipient. The terms in this Agreement not specifically defined herein shall have the definitions and meanings provided in the Act.

Tuition Waiver Recipient:			
	(Printed Name)	(Signature)	(Date)
Parent / Guardian:			
(If Recipient under 18)	(Printed Name)	(Signature)	(Date)
Institution:	Southeast Community College Area		
Effective Date:			

WHEREAS, the First Responder Recruitment and Retention Act, codified in Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 85-2601 to 85-2606 (hereinafter the Act), authorizes the above identified Institution to provide a tuition credit of up to full tuition charges after subtracting other scholarships and grants (the “tuition waiver”) to legal dependents of law enforcement officers and professional firefighters or firefighter-paramedics;

WHEREAS, the Institution has determined that the Tuition Waiver Recipient is eligible for a tuition waiver at the Institution starting in the 2024-2025 academic year (fall, spring, and summer terms, as applicable);

WHEREAS, the Act requires the Tuition Waiver Recipient to enter into an agreement with the Institution pursuant to the following terms.

NOW, THEREFORE, as a condition precedent to receiving the tuition waiver funds, the Tuition Waiver Recipient agrees to the following terms and conditions:

A. Certifications and Responsibilities of the Tuition Waiver Recipient

1. **Certification.** The Tuition Waiver Recipient, and Parent/Guardian if applicable, certifies and represents under penalty of perjury, that the information submitted with this Agreement is correct and accurate, and that the Tuition Waiver Recipient is a legal dependent of a qualifying law enforcement officer or professional firefighter or firefighter paramedic as defined under Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 85-2603 and 85-2603.01. Tuition Waiver Recipient further understands that the foregoing certification and representation is a material term of this Agreement and if the foregoing is determined to be false or inaccurate, will be a breach of this Agreement.

2. **Residency and Filing Obligations.** The Tuition Waiver Recipient, pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 85-2605, understand and agree that the Tuition Waiver Recipient will:

- a. Reside within the State of Nebraska for a period of five (5) years following the use of the tuition waiver;
- b. File a tax return with the Nebraska Department of Revenue to document that the Tuition Waiver Recipient still resides in the State of Nebraska for each year during the five (5) year period following use of the tuition waiver;

3. **Consequences.** If the Tuition Waiver Recipient fails to annually file a tax return to prove residency in the State of Nebraska for the five (5) year period following the use of the tuition waiver or fail to remain a resident of the State of Nebraska for the five (5) year period following the use of the tuition waiver, the Tuition Waiver Recipient agrees to repay the Institution the amount of tuition that was waived by the Institution.

4. **Effect of Death or Disability.** Any and all residency, filing, or payment obligation incurred by Tuition Waiver Recipient under the Act is canceled in the event of Tuition Waiver Recipient’s total and permanent disability or death.

B. Additional Terms

1. **Termination.** The Institution will cease applying or may revoke the tuition waiver immediately if the Tuition Waiver Recipient:

- a. Provided or provides false information to the Institution during the application, contract process, or

