



## First Responder Recruitment & Retention Act Legal Dependent Application

The First Responder Recruitment & Retention Act provides a waiver of 100% of the resident tuition charges of law enforcement officer, professional firefighter or firefighter-paramedic, or their legal dependents for a period of up to five years.

**NOTE:** THIS FORM IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITH LITTLE OR NO NOTICE IN RESPONSE TO NEBRASKA LAW. COMPLETING THIS APPLICATION DOES NOT MAKE YOU ELIGIBLE FOR A TUITION WAIVER UNDER THE ACT. CRITERIA FOR ELIGIBILITY WILL BE DETERMINED BY NORTHEAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE IN ACCORDANCE WITH NEBRASKA LAW.

In order to establish eligibility for this waiver, a dependent student must:

- Be fully admitted to Northeast Community College
- Have previously submitted the FAFSA to Northeast Community College
- Complete and sign application
- Provide Certificate of Verification of the parent law enforcement officer or professional firefighter's satisfactory performance as a law enforcement officer or professional firefighter.
- Provide a verification form from the Department of Revenue. Contact Department of Revenue for verification form.

### **Northeast Student Information**

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ ID \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Year when first applied for tuition waiver \_\_\_\_\_

By submitting this application, you acknowledge that you meet the definition of a "dependent student" under FAFSA, have filled out the FAFSA for the 2025-2026 school year, and that at least one parent qualifies as a law enforcement officer or professional firefighter in the State of Nebraska.

I acknowledge and agree that I am eligible for the tuition waiver as a dependent of a law enforcement officer or professional firefighter in the State of Nebraska. I further agree that if I receive a tuition waiver, I will remain a resident of the State of Nebraska for at least five years after I receive the tuition waiver and I will properly file a state tax return with the Department of Revenue for each of the five years as required under Nebraska Law.

I hereby grant Northeast Community College, its employees, officers, and agents, permission to disclose any personally identifiable information from my academic records to the Nebraska Department of Revenue as may be necessary or appropriate to comply with the provisions of Neb. Rev. Stat. § 85-2605, including academic records that may otherwise be protected under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature (if under 18) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_