



First Responder Recruitment and Retention Act Tuition Waiver Agreement

Having been approved for a waiver of tuition pursuant to the First Responder Recruitment and Retention Act (hereinafter "the Act") for the **2026-2027** academic year at Chadron State College, _____ (hereinafter the "Student"), understands and agrees to the following:

1. Upon receipt of this signed agreement by the College office of financial aid, Student is entitled to a waiver of tuition charges remaining after subtracting awarded federal financial aid grants, state scholarships and grants.
2. The student will be required to complete an application process on an annual basis to continue to receive the tuition waiver.
3. The student will continue to reside within the State of Nebraska for a period of five (5) years following the use of the tuition waiver.
4. The student will file a tax return with the Nebraska Department of Revenue to document their residence in the State of Nebraska for each year during the five (5) year period following use of the tuition waiver.
5. If Student fails to file a tax return to prove residency in the State of Nebraska for any year of 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, Student will repay the College the amount of tuition waived by the College if the College requests such payment and will do so on the dates and in the amounts requested.
6. Student agrees and consents to allow the College to disclose and share any information, documents, and records regarding the Student, including education records as defined by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)¹ and Board Policy 3650, with any other institution of higher education in Nebraska and the Nebraska Department of Revenue for purposes of compliance or enforcement of the terms of this Agreement or the terms of the Act.
7. Any residency, filing, or payment obligation incurred by Student under the Act is canceled in the event of the student's total and permanent disability or death.
8. This Agreement shall be governed as to validity, interpretation, construction, effect, and in all other respects by the laws and decisions of the State of Nebraska.
9. The exclusive venue for any action to enforce the rights and responsibilities under this Agreement shall be in the courts located in the Nebraska county in which the College is located.

¹ The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) (20 U.S.C. §1232g; 34 CFR Part 99)

10. By this Agreement, Student waives personal jurisdiction and consents to the exclusive venue described herein.
11. No delay on the part of the College in exercising any power or right under this Agreement shall operate as a waiver of the power or right, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any power or right preclude further exercise of that power or right.

Date

Student Signature

Student Printed Name

Student ID#

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For Office Use Only

Received by Financial Aid

Date

Financial Aid Staff