

Enrollment Verification



A Guide for Institution of Higher Learning (IHL) Students

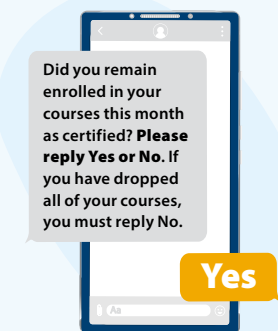
Post-9/11 GI Bill® students attending **IHL facilities** who receive Monthly Housing Allowance (MHA) and/or kicker payments are required to verify enrollment at the end of each month. This applies to IHL students with terms starting **on or after December 17, 2021**.



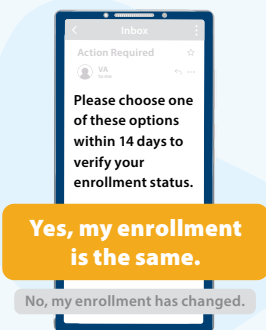
Step 1 Opt-In

For a quick and easy experience, **VA highly recommends using text message verification**. When your enrollment is processed by VA, you will receive a text message from VA to opt into text message verification.¹

- ▶ **Reply "YES" to opt-in.** You will receive a text confirming you have opted in.
 - The text message link will expire in **14 days**. After that, you will be automatically enrolled in email verification.
- ▶ If you **reply "NO"** or cannot receive texts, you will be automatically enrolled in email verification.



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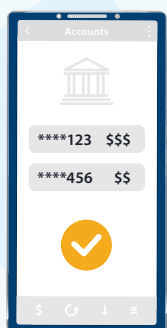
Step 2 Verify

Text: On the last day of each month, you will receive a text message requesting enrollment verification for that month.

- ▶ **Reply "YES"** to verify your enrollment.
 - If you don't reply within **6 days**, the conversation will close and you will need to call the **Education Call Center (ECC) at 1-888-GIBILL-1 (1-888-442-4551)** to verify your enrollment.
- ▶ If your enrollment status has changed, **reply "NO."** Please contact your School Certifying Official (SCO) to ensure your enrollment record with VA has been adjusted.²

Email: If you opted out of text messages and/or have enrolled in email verification, **on the last day of each month**, you will receive an email requesting enrollment verification for that month.

- ▶ **Select "Yes, my enrollment is the same"** to verify your enrollment.
 - If you don't select a response within **14 days**, the conversation will close and you will need to call the ECC to verify your enrollment.
- ▶ If your enrollment status has changed, **select "No, my enrollment has changed."** Please contact your SCO to ensure your enrollment record with VA has been adjusted.



Step 3 Payments

If you verify enrollment each month and still qualify to receive MHA and/or kicker benefits, your payments will continue uninterrupted.



If you fail to verify for two consecutive months, your MHA and/or kicker will be placed on hold. You will need to call the ECC to verify your enrollment and have your payments released.

Visit our [website](#) and review our [FAQs](#) to learn more.
Stay tuned for more details in the coming months.



¹ Non-College Degree (NCD) facility students who are already verifying their enrollment can opt into email verification by calling the ECC at 1-888-GIBILL-1 (1-888-442-4551) domestically or 001-918-781-5678 internationally.

² To find your SCO, go to the [GI Bill Comparison Tool](#) and search for your school.