

Training Reminder School Issues (Suspension, Withdrawals, and Closures) (1-16):

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References:

- [CFR 21.4135 Discontinuance Date](#)
- [M22-4 Part I, 8.07-8.09](#)
- [M22-4 Part IX, Chapter 2, Subchapter 5, 2.20-2.21](#)
- [PA 3/28/14 Post 9/11 GI Bill Claims Involving Disapproval of the Program of Education](#)
- [PA 10/2/14 Adjudication Procedures for Post 9/11 Claims Involving Permanent School](#)
- Edupedia: School Closed, Program Suspended Spreadsheet

Background:

The purpose of this training reminder is to provide guidance for school and program approval issues and how they relate to processing actions. VCE's will use WEAMS to determine current school and program approval status.

School or Program Suspension in WEAMS

Continuing students may receive payment; new students or those who are not continually enrolled cannot receive payment when a school or program is suspended.

- **Processing Guidance:** Education Services Unit (ESU) will provide an approved list of students who are continuously enrolled and may continue to receive payment. The list of students will be located on Schools Closed, Program Suspended Spreadsheet in Edupedia.
 - If a term is received for a new, or for a student who was not continually enrolled; send the ROLDNY06 letter and PCLR the appropriate End Product (EP).

School or Program Approval Withdrawn in WEAMS

- **Processing Guidance Chapter 33:** Students will be allowed to continue through the end of semester, quarter or term during which the program is disapproved. Debts will only be created for subsequent enrollment periods. See [PA 3/28/14 Post 9/11 GI Bill Claims Involving Disapproval of the Program of Education](#) for additional processing guidance.
- **Processing Guidance Non 33:** Benefits will discontinued the later of the following dates:

- The date on which payments were first suspended
- End of the month in which the disapproval is effective
- Date notice of disapproval is received by the VA

Notify the claimant by sending the award or supplemental Certificate of Eligibility (CoE) letter stating their benefits were discontinued because their school/program approval was withdrawn. Take the appropriate EP credit.

Permanent School Closure

- Processing Guidance Chapter 33: When a school closes a prorated debt for tuition and fees (T&F) should be charged to the school. No books & supplies debt should be created for the term which the school closed, and a Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH) debt will only be created against the student for benefits paid after the closure date. See [PA 10/2/14 Adjudication Procedures for Post 9/11 Claims Involving Permanent School](#) for additional processing guidance.
- Processing Guidance NON 33: Terminate benefits the effective date in which the school closed. Notify a claimant in an award or supplemental CoE letter that benefits were discontinued because their school closed on (enter the effective date). PCLR the appropriate EP credit