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TO: Directors of Financial Aid Public and Private/Independent Institutions of Higher Education FROM: DeChà Reid Director, Financial Aid Services DATE: August 4, 2020 RE: 2020-21 Award Amount - Texas Armed Services Scholarship Program (TASSP)

The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board announces the maximum award amount for the Texas Armed Services Scholarship Program (TASSP) for the 2020-21 academic year: the annual amount for initial and continuing awards is **\$10,000**.

The deadline for legislators to make a TASSP appointment is **Aug. 31, 2020;** appointed students must complete their TASSP online application by **Oct. 15, 2020**.

The TASSP encourages students to complete a baccalaureate degree and become members of the Texas Army National Guard, Texas Air National Guard, Texas State Guard, United States Coast Guard, or United States Merchant Marine, or to become commissioned officers in any branch of the armed services of the United States. Each year, the governor and the lieutenant governor may each appoint two students and two alternates, and each state senator and state representative may appoint one student and one alternate to receive an initial TASSP award.

Please find enclosed the 2020-21 TASSP program guidelines to learn about administering TASSP at your institution.

If you have questions, email Financial Aid Services through <u>CONTACT US</u> (select "Financial Aid Question" as the Contact Reason).

Enclosed: 2020-21 (FY 2021) TASSP Program Guidelines