

Figure: 40 TAC §77.32(2)

<p>To be eligible for consideration for participation in:</p>	<p>You must:</p>
<p>a degree program, including</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • an associate's degree; • a baccalaureate degree; • a master's degree; or • a doctoral degree 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • be in good standing with us and meeting all performance expectations; • have at least 12 months of service time with us or 24 months if you are seeking a graduate degree; • complete and file with us an education assistance agreement (on forms selected by us) that explains the terms and conditions of the education assistance, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ the amount of the assistance; ▪ the requirements for continued eligibility; and ▪ a statement of your intent to follow the terms of the agreement; • have written acceptance from an accredited institution of higher education and a degree plan signed by the institution's department dean or the dean's designee; and • seek enrollment and participation in a field of study that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ relates to your assigned work; ▪ satisfies a professional development requirement; or ▪ meets an anticipated staffing need, provided that you receive the commissioner's or the commissioner's designee's approval based on your aptitude, as demonstrated by your job performance.
<p>a General Equivalency Diploma program</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • be in good standing with us and meeting all performance expectations; • have at least 12 months of service time with us; • complete and file with us an education assistance agreement (on forms selected by us) that explains the terms and conditions of the educational assistance, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ the amount of the assistance;

- the requirements for continued eligibility; and
- a statement of your intent to follow the terms of the agreement; and
 - have a written acceptance from the General Equivalency Diploma program.