Maryland Army National Guard Educational Benefits

Here's how Maryland National Guard Soldiers Get Their Degree Tuition Free.

State Tuition Waiver (STW)
Exclusive to the Maryland National Guard
Most discounts range from 25% to 50% per semester.

Federal Tuition Assistance (FTA)
Is available if your Tuition and Fees are not 100% covered by STW and FTA.

State Tuition Assistance Reimbursement (STAR)
Exclusive to the Maryland National Guard
Is a benefit that may be combined with the State Tuition Assistance (STA) programs.

Montgomery GI Bill -(MGIB-SR)
The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) will provide education benefits under this program.

Before choosing a school, or even a degree program, determine what you would like to be able to do after you finish school. It's not always necessary to attend a large university to find course work you need to start a degree. consider attending a community college to earn credits that will transfer to a four-year college.

* Programs and benefits subject to change

Example: 4 Year College

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND BALTIMORE COUNTY

2014 Tuition and Fees =	**$10,068**
Federal Tuition Assistance = (Available to all DOD Servicemembers)	**($4,000)**
Maryland State Tuition Waiver = (Exclusive **ONLY** to the MDNG)	**($2,517)**
Maryland State Tuition Assistance = (Exclusive **ONLY** to the MDNG)	**($3,551)**
TOTAL TUITION COST FOR MDNG =	**$0**

SOURCE: http://www.umbc.edu/undergraduate/quicklinks/costs.html
Full-time (12 credits per semester/2 semesters) for In-State residents.

Example: 2 Year College

HARFORD COMMUNITY COLLEGE

2014 Tuition and Fees =	**$2,995**
Federal Tuition Assistance = (Available to all DOD Servicemembers)	**($1,497)**
Maryland State Tuition Waiver = (Exclusive **ONLY** to the MDNG)	**($1,498)**
Maryland State Tuition Assistance = (Exclusive **ONLY** to the MDNG)	**(Not needed)**
TOTAL TUITION COST FOR MDNG =	**$0**

SOURCE: http://www.harford.edu/student-services/paying-for-college/tuition-and-fees.aspx
Full-time (12 credits per semester/2 semesters) for In-County residents.
This example is reflective of MDNG education benefits for all Community Colleges in Maryland.