

Please Join
Governor Christine Gregoire
and
Washington's Higher Education Agencies, WDVA and the National Guard
as they become
"Partners for Veteran Supportive Campuses"

September 10, 2009

10:00am

State Capitol Campus

Legislative Building, Rotunda

Olympia, WA 98504

RSVP your attendance to heidia@dva.wa.gov or call 360-725-2154 for more information.

Background:

The Post 9/11 GI Bill, effective on August 1, 2009, ushered in a new era of Veterans Education Benefits.

This updated federal program is the most extensive educational assistance program for veterans since the original landmark GI Bill, signed by President Franklin Delano Roosevelt in 1944, during World War II. Because of this significant improvement in benefits, our state expects large numbers of veterans to enroll in school using their GI Bill benefits.

Washington State Military, Veterans, and Higher Education Agencies developed this Memorandum of Understanding to affirm our combined commitment to helping veterans and their families succeed in their higher education and training goals.

Through this partnership, we will help colleges, universities and training facilities promote a culture that supports and encourages veterans and their family members. In addition, college, university and training facility personnel will know how to refer veterans or families in need of additional support assistance to the Washington State Department of Veterans Affairs (WDVA).

As Partners for Veteran Supportive Campuses, Washington State declares our commitment to veteran's success and our appreciation for their service and sacrifice.