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Senator Hancock Accepting Applications for Texas Armed Services Scholarship Graduating high school seniors may be eligible to apply for ROTC accolade, annual financial award

AUSTIN - Today, Senator Kelly Hancock (R-North Richland Hills) opened the application period for the 2015-2016 Texas Armed Services Scholarship.

"Our community is home to some exceptional young men and women," said Hancock. "It's reassuring to know that so many students plan to serve our country in the United States Armed Forces."

The Texas Armed Services Scholarship, administered by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB), was created by the Texas Legislature in 2009 to assist promising students from throughout the state who are committed to education and service.

It encourages young leaders to participate in Reserve Officer's Training Corps (ROTC) programs at Texas institutions of higher learning and to become commissioned officers in the United States Armed Services or members of the Texas Army National Guard, the Texas Air Force National Guard, the Texas State Guard, or the United States Merchant Marine force. Each member of the Texas Legislature is able to appoint one qualified student for the annual accolade.

For more information about the program or to apply, contact Senator Hancock's district office at (817) 514-3804. The application deadline for the 2015-2016 school year is Friday, April 24, 2015.

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Senator Hancock represents <u>Senate District 9</u>, which includes portions of Dallas and Tarrant Counties.