Policy Title: **Readmission of Service Members and Reservists**
Policy Number: **Proposed 5.17**

Purpose
Eastern Wyoming College (EWC) honors the service of U.S. Armed Forces members, National Guard, and Reservists. This policy prevents educational disadvantage when qualifying military service interrupts or delays student attendance.

Policy Statement
In compliance with 20 U.S.C. § 1091c and 34 C.F.R. § 668.18, EWC shall not deny admission or readmission based on military status or service obligations. Eligible service members shall be promptly readmitted with the same academic status held when last attending or admitted, including protected program placement, enrollment status, completed credits/clock hours, academic standing, and tuition treatment.

Academic Continuity and Support
When curriculum, technology, licensure, or preparation changes affect a returning student's ability to resume or complete their program, EWC shall make reasonable efforts—at no additional cost to the student—to prepare them. Readmission may be denied only in statutory circumstances where EWC satisfies the applicable burden of proof.

Administration
The College President or designee shall establish administrative regulations (including AR 5.17.1) defining notice, eligibility, documentation, record protection, and appeals. Institutional practices, holds, or deadlines shall not be used to restrict statutory rights.

This policy sets minimum protections; EWC may grant greater benefits where allowed. If any provision conflicts with controlling federal or state law, controlling law governs without invalidating remaining provisions.

References
Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended, § 484C; 20 U.S.C. § 1091c.
34 C.F.R. § 668.18, Readmission requirements for servicemembers.
EWC Board Policy 5.0, Admission of Students.
EWC Administrative Regulation 2.0.16, Advisory Council for Veterans Services.

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