



Town of Woodbridge

Office of the Assessor

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Dear Gold Star Parents or Surviving Spouses,

Enclosed is an application for the Town of Woodbridge Gold Star Parents and Spouses program. An ordinance was passed pursuant to Public Act No. 17-65 which states that, any municipality, upon approval of its legislative body, may provide that any parent whose child was killed in action, or the surviving spouse of a person who was killed in action, while performing active military duty with the armed forces, as defined in subsection (a) of section 27-103 of the general statutes, which parent or surviving spouse is a resident of such municipality, shall be entitled to an exemption from property tax, provided such parent's or surviving spouse's qualifying income does not exceed (A) the maximum amount applicable to an unmarried person as provided under section 12-81 of the general statutes, or (B) an amount established by the municipality, not exceeding the maximum amount under section 12-81 of the general statutes by more than twenty-five dollars. The exemption provided for under this section shall be applied to assessed value of an eligible parent's or surviving spouse's primary residence in an amount of ten percent of such assessed value.

This program has no age requirement. Any such parent or surviving spouse submitting a claim for such exemption shall be required to file an application, on a form prepared for such purpose by the assessor, not later than the assessment date with respect to which such exemption is claimed, which applications shall include at least two affidavits of disinterested persons showing that the deceased child or person was performing such active military duty, that such deceased child or person was killed in action while performing such active military duty and the relationship of such deceased child to parent, or such deceased person to such surviving spouse, provided the assessor may further require such parent or surviving spouse to be examined by such assessor under oath concerning the facts.

Each such application shall include a copy of such parent's or surviving spouse's federal income tax return, or in the event such a return is not filed, such evidence related to income as may be required by the assessor, for the tax year of such parent or surviving spouse ending immediately prior to the assessment date with respect to which such exemption is claimed. Such town clerk shall record each such affidavit in full and shall list the name of such parent or surviving spouse claimant, and such service shall be performed by such town clerk without remuneration. No assessor, board of assessment appeals or other official shall allow any such claim for exemption unless evidence as herein specified has been filed in the office of such town clerk. When any such parent or surviving spouse has filed for such exemption and received approval for the first time, such parent or surviving spouse shall be required to file for such exemption biennially thereafter, subject to the provisions of subsection (c) of this section.

1. You must meet the income requirements provided for in the ordinance. You can make no more than the following income:

\$ 70,200

Proof of income would consist of your completed 2025 income tax return and your 1099 from Social Security, if applicable. If you do not file an income tax return, you must provide the Assessor's office all proof of income received for the 2024 calendar year.

The filing date for this program is February 1st – October 1st. This will be a bi-annual filing. The exemption, if you qualify, will be ten percent (10%) of the assessed value of your primary residence and will be reflected on your 2025 tax bill sent to you in July 2026.

**Applications may be filed in the Assessor's Office,
Town Hall, 11 Meetinghouse Lane,
Monday through Friday, 8:30 am – 4:30 pm
Proof of income and social security 1099 earnings required
Any questions, please call 203-389-3416**