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BSEP classes
BSEP is an on-duty program designed to help soldiers improve their functional reading, writing, and/or math skills. BSEP courses vary in length and delivery, depending on the education center. You can qualify to take a BSEP class by first taking the TABE test. Go to your ACES Service Center website and click on BSEP for more information or to enroll; go to Testing to request to take the TABE. Or if you prefer, contact your local education counselor for assistance.

Lifetime Library
Now you can improve your basic skills with a program that fits your schedule and is designed to meet your individual needs. Lifetime Library is a software basic skills review program that is user-friendly and fun. Don’t waste your time with topics you already know! Take the first step toward reaching your educational and career goals by visiting your local Multi-use Learning Facility and signing up for Lifetime Library today.

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There are many reasons you may want to improve your basic skills:

**GT Improvement**

Improving basic skills often leads to higher test scores on tests such as the Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE) and the Armed Forces Classification Test (AFCT). For this reason, many enlisted soldiers participate in the Basic Skills Education Program so that they might re-take the AFCT (a test that is basically equivalent to the ASVAB, which soldiers take upon entering the Army) and get a higher GT score.

**MOS Reclassification & Reenlistment**

Enlisted soldiers who hope to re-enlist for the same or a different Military Occupational Specialty may be told by the Reenlistment NCO that a higher GT score is required for the reenlistment or job change. Some occupational positions require a GT of 110, while other jobs specify other sub-score minimum requirements.

**Prepare for Military Schools**

Participation in BSEP supports the Army mission by supporting career advancement and opportunities.

**College Readiness**

Many colleges require a placement test before a student may enroll in College Algebra and/or a college-level English Composition course. For those students who qualify to enroll, the Basic Skills Education Program (BSEP) class may not only result in higher test scores and enhanced career opportunities, but may also support overall college readiness.