

**24 CAR § 10-807. Survivors — Dependent children.**

(a)(1) A child of a qualifying member is eligible to receive a survivor annuity benefit under Arkansas Code § 24-7-710 if the child qualifies as a dependent child.

(2) A qualifying member's child shall be eligible to qualify as a dependent child or maintain his or her status as a dependent child if:

(A) The qualifying member was the legal parent of the child at the time of the qualifying member's death; and

(B) The child meets all other requirements to qualify as a dependent child or maintains his or her status as a dependent child.

(b)(1) A child of a qualifying member qualifies as a dependent child if the child is:

\_\_\_\_\_ (A) ~~(1) Younger than eighteen (18) years of age;~~ Not older than twenty-two (22) years of age; or

\_\_\_\_\_ (B) ~~At least eighteen (18) years of age and not older than twenty-two (22) years of age and continuously enrolled as a full-time student in an accredited secondary school, college, university, or vocational technical school; or~~

\_\_\_\_\_ (C) ~~(2) Has been adjudged physically or mentally incapacitated by a court of competent jurisdiction.~~

\_\_\_\_\_ (2) ~~A dependent child who enrolls in an accredited college, university, or vocational technical school shall remain eligible to receive a dependent child annuity during his or her period of deferred enrollment if the dependent child:~~

\_\_\_\_\_ ~~(A) Is not older than twenty-two (22) years of age; and~~

\_\_\_\_\_ ~~(B) Submits proof of his or her deferred enrollment to the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System in the manner required by the system.~~

(c) A qualifying member's dependent child shall not be eligible to qualify as a dependent child again and shall have his or her dependent child annuity terminated by the system if the dependent child dies or ceases to qualify as a dependent child of the qualifying member.