THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SYSTEM  
RESIDENT TUITION BENEFIT FOR NATIONAL LAB EMPLOYEES

The Texas legislature recently enacted a provision that grants Texas resident tuition and fees to employees of a national laboratory, and their spouses and children, under an agreement the UT System has with the laboratory. This tuition benefit is now available to employees of Sandia National Laboratories (SNL), under our agreement with SNL.

Should we be successful in the bid for Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL), the same tuition benefit will be available to LANL employees as a part of the management contract agreement between the Department of Energy and the Lockheed Martin-UT System Los Alamos Alliance.

**Sandia Tuition Benefit**

Effective Sept. 1, 2005, SNL employees as well as spouses and dependent children of those employees may pay the tuition and fees charged to residents of the state of Texas when enrolled in a UT System institution. A dependent child is a child eligible to be claimed as a dependent of a parent for purposes of determining the parent’s tax liability under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. A parent is a natural or adoptive parent, managing or possessory conservator or legal guardian of a child. This waiver of out-of-state tuition does not make the employees, spouses and dependent children residents of the state of Texas for classification purposes and the waiver terminates upon the termination of employment with Sandia. Documentation of eligibility will be required of enrolled students at the beginning of each semester in which they are enrolled in a UT System institution.

**UT System Tuition Information**

We update tuition information for UT System institutions on our website at: [http://www.utsystem.edu/news/tuition/homepage.htm](http://www.utsystem.edu/news/tuition/homepage.htm).

We also maintain a financial aid calculator at [www.TexasCollegeMoney.org](http://www.TexasCollegeMoney.org), which enables a high school student to estimate the amount of financial aid for which they might qualify at one of our schools.

The UT System is one of the nation’s largest higher education systems with 15 campuses, including nine academic and six health institutions, and an annual operating budget of $9.6 billion (FY 2006). Student enrollment is projected to exceed 185,000 in the 2005 academic year. The UT System confers one-third of the state’s undergraduate degrees and educates three-fourths of Texas health care professionals. With more than 76,000 employees, the UT System is one of the largest employers in Texas. For more information about the UT System, see our website at: [www.utsystem.edu/about.htm](http://www.utsystem.edu/about.htm)