



# **2024 SERVICE ACADEMY NOMINATION PACKET**

APPLICATION DUE DATE: 5PM Friday, November 8th, 2024

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6TH DISTRICT, WASHINGTON

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## Dear Applicant,

Thank you for expressing interest in the United States Service Academies. As your Congressional Representative, each year I have the privilege of nominating a limited number of people to academies. By contacting my office, you have already shown your commitment to serving our nation, and I applaud you. Our United States Service Academies will push you to reach your full potential, both mentally and physically, while giving you the education and skills needed to serve your country as an officer.

As an applicant, you should begin the nomination process during the summer before your senior year of high school. The first step is to apply to each academy that you are interested in. The service academies are extremely competitive, and you should consider applying to more than one to give yourself the best opportunity. You should seek nominations from every source, including myself and our senators, as well as the office of the Vice President of the United States.

The nomination process is very competitive. I look at several factors such as your leadership experience, commitment to community, academic achievement, athletic ability, and strength of character. By reading this and submitting your application, you already have placed yourself among excellent company and I look forward to reviewing your application.

Sincerely,

Derek Kilmer

Member of Congress

### NOMINATION REQUIREMENTS

To be considered for a nomination from our office, a candidate must:

- ✓ Reside in the 6th Congressional District
- ✓ Be at least 17 years old and not have passed your 23rd birthday on July 1 of the year of admission
- ✓ Be a U.S. citizen, or citizenship eligible
- ✓ Be unmarried, not pregnant, and have no dependents
- ✓ Be of excellent moral character

#### APPLICATION CHECKLIST

A complete nomination file consists of the following items in one PDF. Please ensure the documents are in the following order. Email to <a href="mailto:Chantell Munoz">Chantell Munoz</a> at <a href="mailto:Chantell Munoz</a> at <a href="mailto:Chantell Munoz</a> (a hantell Munoz)</a> at <a href="mailto:Chantell Munoz</a> (a hantell Munoz)</a> (a hantell Munoz)

- ➤ Completed interest form submitted online
- > Photo must be a head-shot
- Resume detailing work and volunteer history, and personal accomplishments
- > Personal essay (500 words)
  - o Why do you want to attend a military academy?
  - o Why are you military academy material?
  - What is your personal philosophy of leadership?
- ➤ Three Letters of Recommendation from people who know you well. For high school students, one of these letters must be from a STEM teacher. Recommendations from family members are not permitted.\*
- ➤ High school/college transcripts
- ➤ Your SAT/ACT scores [NO SuperScore or Score Choice]. If you take the tests multiple times, submit it each time you take it. The board will always take your highest score in each category into consideration
  - We accept test scores up until interview date in December
- First quarter/semester senior grades or progress report
- > Include copies of any Letter of Assurance or Letter of Evaluation you may have received

\*Recommendations may be sent separately to Chantell.Munoz@mail.house.gov

Call Chantell Munoz in our Bremerton office at (360) 373-9725 with any questions.