

Applicant Admission Checklist

### SERVICE ACADEMY NOMINATION APPLICANT ADMISSIONS CHECKLIST

Completed application packets must be received no later than 5pm Monday, October 13, 2025

Acceptance at a Military Academy involves at least a nine-year obligation: four years at the Academy and a minimum of five years of active-duty service in the United States Military. You are obligated to serve in the United States Military at the beginning of your junior year at the Academy. It is in your best interest to request a nomination through all sources available to you: Presidential, Vice Presidential, Senatorial and Congressional. If either of your parents is currently on active duty and has served for at least eight years, or is retired from active duty or the Reserves, or was killed in action, then you may qualify for a Presidential nomination. Please check with the Admissions Office of your respective Military Academy for more details. The eligibility requirements are set forth by the academies themselves. In addition to submitting a complete nomination application to Congressman Vindman, applicants must directly contact their respective academy to open an admission file.

### **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

As of July 1<sup>st,</sup> of the year of admission, applicants must be:

- 17 years of age, but not yet 23 years old (25 years old for the United States Merchant Marine Academy)
- A citizen of the United States
- Unmarried, not pregnant, and have no legal obligation to support a child or dependent
- A legal resident of Virginia's 7th Congressional District

### **INTERVIEWS**

Applicants who submit a complete nomination packet on or before close of business Monday, October 13, 2025, will be reviewed by Congressman Vindman's Military Service Academy Nomination Board (Board); Candidates will then be invited to be interviewed by the Board. This well-qualified, non-partisan Board ensures a fair and impartial nomination process that not only considers academic and extracurricular success but is mindful to the various challenges and experiences facing students and families.

### NOMINATION PROCEDURES

To be considered for a nomination by Congressman Vindman, each applicant must submit a <u>complete</u> Application Packet to the Congressman's District Office on or before 5pm, October 13, 2025; late or incomplete applications will not be considered. Postmarks are not sufficient.



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Each packet must contain the following items:

- o **Applicant Photo** (No larger than 5x3, i.e., passport photo; headshot)
- o **Application Form** (pages 3- 5 in this packet)
- Essay (page 6 in this packet): Note: Grammar, sentence structure, and writing ability will be
  evaluated in addition to the substance of your answer. Essay responses should be 500 words
  or less.
- o **Two Letters of Recommendations**: You must submit two creditable references who can accurately attest to your character, qualifications, and potential success at a Service Academy, such as a guidance counselor, teacher, coach, scout masters, clergy, or community leader.
- High School Transcript: If your school will not provide transcripts directly to students, have the school mail the transcripts to our Woodbridge office with attention to the Academy Nomination Coordinator.
- Official SAT/ACT Scores: The institution code for SAT scores is **5089** and the ACT scores code is **7730**. Scores from the testing service may arrive after the October 13 deadline. Scores input on your official transcript will also be accepted.
- Mail, email, or hand deliver all application materials to our district office by the October 13,
   2025, deadline: \*Note: Please do not staple your application packet; One-sided is preferred.
   Emailed applications should be sent as one attachment.

### Return completed application:

- By Email: Send completed application to Marc.Rabourdin@mail.house.gov with the subject line "[Last Name, First Name] Nomination Application."
- By Mail or Hand Deliver to one of the following offices:

### **Woodbridge District Office:**

The Honorable Eugene Vindman ATTN: Service Academy Nominations 2241-D Tacketts Mill Drive Woodbridge, VA 22192 Fredericksburg District Office (Call Ahead for Drop Off):

The Honorable Eugene Vindman ATTN: Service Academy Nominations 1701 Fall Hill Ave UNIT 104 Fredericksburg, VA

Questions? Contact Marc Rabourdin at Marc.Rabourdin@mail.house.gov, 703-987-2180



**APPLICATION** 

# U.S. Service Academies Congressional Nomination Application Class of 2030

PERSONAL INFORMATION			
Full Name (last, first, middle): _			
Preferred Name:	DOB (MM/DD/Y	YYY):/	Gender:
Applicant's Email address:			
Applicant's phone:		Best time to call:	
Parent/ Guardian's name:		Phone:	
Parent/ Guardian's name:		Phone:	
SEVENTH DISTRICT ADDRE	SS		
Street:			
City:	Zip:	County:	
Mailing address (if different from	n above)		
Street/ PO Box:			
City:	Zip:	County:	
Are you eligible for a Presidential	Nomination*?	Please Circle One. Yl	ES NO
Please check all other Service Aca	ademies' nominatir	ng sources that you plan to	pursue.
Senator Mark Warner		Senator Tim	Kaine
Vice President Vance		JROTC	
*(Presidential nominations are available for armed forces, active or reserve, including the Academy for more details.)	Ç •	*	
I have previously sought a nomina	ation through (com	plete if applicable):	
Name:	Date:	Results:	



**APPLICATION** 

application**	only mark the academies where you have opened an
Note: Due to a highly competitive process, applica	nts may receive nominations to their 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , or 4 <sup>th</sup> preference.
U.S. Air Force Academy	U.S. Naval Academy
U.S. Military Academy	U.S. Merchant Marine Academy
<u>*</u>	to requesting a nomination, an individual pursuing st separately apply to the academy where they seek
EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION (Reported information is not a substitute for recommendation)	quired official documentation).
High School	
High School:	
	raduation:
Name of Guidance counselor:	Phone:
Grade Point Average/Scale:	
College/Preparatory School (if applicable)	
College Preparatory:	
Major: Credi	t hours earned: GPA/Scale:

<sup>\*</sup>Also include a list of your current class schedule



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### **ACTIVITIES, HONORS & EMPLOYMENT**

Athletic Activities

For High School athletics, please mark "JV" for Junior Varsity or "V" for Varsity in the appropriate space. For Recreational/ Non-school athletics, please mark "X" for any sports you were involved in.

HIGH SCHOOL	9	10	11	12	Recreation
Baseball/Softball					
Basketball					
Cheerleading					
Cross Country					
Football					
Golf					
Lacrosse					
Soccer					
Swimming/Diving					
Tennis					
Track/Field					
Volleyball					
Wrestling		_			
Other:					
Other:					

Please mark any that apply with an X:

LEADERSHIP ROLES	
Boys/Girls State	
Student Body President	
Class President	
Student Body Officer	
Athletic Team Captain	
Eagle Scout	
Girl Scout Gold Award	
JROTC	
Other School Club Officer	
Non-School Club Officer	
Editor of Yearbook/Newspaper	
Other:	

EXTRA-CURRICULAR	
ACTIVITIES	
Student Body Representative	
Church Activities	
Band/Orchestra	
Music/Singing	
Drama	
School Yearbook/Newspaper	
Language or Science Club	
Jr. ROTC	
Civil Air Patrol	
Other:	



## **APPLICATION**

AWARDS AND HONORS	COMMUNITY	Y INVOLVEMENT/VOLUNTEE
Employment		
Please list any part-time or fu	all-time jobs you have held since you	have been in high school:
Dates Employed	Employer	PT/FT



**APPLICATION** 

## **ESSAY**

Answer the following questions on a separate sheet of paper, or in the space provided below. Please type (preferred) or print clearly in black ink. Each question should be answered in 500 words or less each.

- 1. What does it mean to you to swear an oath to The Constitution of the United States of America?
- 2. Who is a graduate of a US Service Academy who you hope to emulate, and explain how their service to the country inspires you?



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### RECOMMENDATION LETTERS

The applicant must submit at least two credible references attesting to the applicant's qualifications and motivations to attend a Service Academy. The individuals used as references should not be relatives of the applicant. High school instructors, high school guidance counselors, coaches, and former employers are preferred. Please list the names and information pertaining to the individuals who will be writing letters of recommendation on your behalf.

REFERENCE:	
Organization:	
Daytime phone:	
Email:	
REFERENCE:	
Organization:	
How long known by applicant:	
Relationship to applicant:	
Daytime phone:	
Email:	



**APPLICATION** 

### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

I request that Congressman Vindman consider my application for a Congressional Nomination to the United States Service Academy or Academies that I have listed. I affirm that I have never been convicted or arrested for violating a state or federal statute.

I have enclosed the requested information in addition to my completed application:

APPLICANT'S PHOTO (Maximum size 5x7)

APPLICANT'S ESSAY (Answering both questions. Essay responses should be 500 words or less each. Note: Grammar, sentence structure, and writing ability will be evaluated in addition to the substance of your answer.)

TWO (2) REFERENCES (Two letters of recommendation and reference information on page 7 of the application)

ACADEMIC TRANSCRIPT (If needed, can be submitted separately by school)

SAT/ACT SCORES (can be submitted separately)

I understand that the enclosure of unsolicited material may not be used for consideration for a Congressional Nomination,

I confirm that I am a resident of the Seventh Congressional District of Virginia.

I understand that the application must be hand delivered, received in the mail, or emailed by 5:00 pm, Monday, October 13, 2025. Postmarks are not sufficient and late or incomplete applications are not accepted. If I have not submitted all the requested information by the deadline, I understand that my application may not be given full consideration.

☐ (Please check) I consent to allow the Office of Congressman provided in any external communications should I receive a No.	·
Applicant Signature	Date
Parent/ Guardian Signature (if under the age of 18)	Date

RETURN APPLICATION NO LATER THAN 5:00 PM MONDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2025, TO:

The Honorable Eugene Vindman 2241-D Tacketts Mill Drive Woodbridge, VA 22192