



MILITARY SERVICE ACADEMY NOMINATION CHECKLIST

To qualify for a nomination, you will need to submit a completed profile and return it to my Birmingham office no later than Friday, November 21, 2025. The following materials are required as part of a completed profile:

1. Questionnaire (Attached)
2. SAT and/or ACT scores
3. (3) Letters of Recommendation
 - a. Letters of recommendation are written on your behalf by anyone who knows you personally. For example: a teacher, your school principal, church leader, employer, etc.
4. High School Transcript
5. Official College Transcript (if applicable)

Once you have completed your profile please submit this information to the Birmingham District office via mail:

**Office of Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell
Two 20th Street North, Suite 1130
Birmingham, AL, 35203
205.254.1960**

After your application is submitted, a selection committee comprised of community leaders will review your completed profile, conduct candidate interviews, and make nominee recommendations. **Interviews will be held on Thursday, December 18, 2025.** Our office will keep you informed as the selection process moves forward.

It is important to keep in mind that this process is highly competitive. Please include all awards and honors earned through the first semester of your senior year in your completed profile. If you choose to retake the SAT or ACT tests and your scores improve, it is your responsibility to report your new scores to my office.

I wish you success with your application and if you have questions at any point in the process, please do not hesitate to contact my office.



Military Academy Nominations

Thank you for your interest in the U.S. Service Academies. As your 7th Congressional District Representative in the U.S. House of Representatives, each year I have the privilege of nominating a limited number of people to four of the five service academies. The honor of attending a service academy comes with an obligation and commitment to serve in the military for a minimum of five years upon graduation. Best wishes to you as you pursue your goal of attending one of the U.S. Service Academies and serving our country.

United States Military Academy Nominations

One of my most satisfying duties is to nominate young people from Alabama's 7th Congressional District to service academies. As a member of Congress, I can make what is referred to as "congressional nominations."

The Nomination Process

To be considered for an appointment to a service academy, an applicant must meet the eligibility requirements established by law and be nominated from an authorized person including a Member of the United States Senate or the House of Representatives. I may nominate applicants who are legally domiciled within the boundaries of Alabama's 7th Congressional District.

Who Is Eligible?

An applicant for a nomination must meet the following eligibility requirements as of July 1 of the year of admission to a service academy. He or she must be at least 17 years old, but not have passed the 23rd birthday, must be a United States citizen, and must be unmarried, not pregnant, and have no legal obligation to support children or other dependents.

Service Academies

There are five Service Academies: The United States Air Force (USAF), Naval (USNA), Military (USMA), Merchant Marine (USMMA), and Coast Guard (USCGA) Academies. Nominations are required for all but the U.S. Coast Guard Academy, to which appointments are made on the basis of an annual nationwide competition. Please note that you must start an application process with the academy you are applying to as well as the nomination process through my office.



Military Academy Nominations Questionnaire

Full Name: _____
Date of Birth: _____ Social Security #: _____
Street Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Telephone #: _____ Email: _____
Gender: _____ U.S. Citizen: _____
If not, list your citizenship: _____
Parents/Guardians: _____

Education Information

Name of High School: _____
High School Street Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Most Recent School

GPA:	Class Size:	Rank:	Graduation Date:
SAT			
Math:	Writing:	Critical Reading:	Composite:
ACT			
English:	Math:	Reading:	Science:
Composite:			

Service Academy Information

Please rank 1-4 in order of preference, and indicate application status as "Not Started" "In Progress", or "Complete".

U.S. Air Force Academy: _____	Application Status: _____
U.S. Merchant Marine Academy: _____	Application Status: _____
U.S. Military Academy: _____	Application Status: _____
U.S. Naval Academy: _____	Application Status: _____

An appointment to the Service Academies is based on a desire by the candidate to devote a lifetime of military service and implies recognition by the appointee of an obligation to the government to devote him/herself to a military career.

Additional Information

Name of Hometown Newspaper:

May we use your name in a press release after receiving a nomination or appointment?

Application Agreement:

Please read the following paragraph before signing the application, as your signature indicates your agreement with the following statements. If you do not include your signature, your application will not be considered for nomination:

It is my sincere desire to attend a U.S. Service Academy, and I intend to pursue a vigorous academic course of study if appointed. I understand that attending a service academy also requires a minimum of five years of military service following graduation, and I fully commit to this responsibility. I am a U.S. Citizen, or will be by July 1 of the year I will attend the Academy. I will be at least 17 years, but not yet 23 years of age, on July 1 of the year I attend the Academy. I am not married. I am not pregnant, nor do I have any child support obligations. I am a legal resident of the 7th Congressional District of Alabama.

I certify that the information I have provided in the application packet is accurate. Any changes to this information will be reported immediately. Additionally, I understand that I will not be considered for a nomination if the required documents are incomplete or are not postmarked by the first Monday in November of the current year.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Print, and then mail your complete nomination application to:

Office of Congresswoman Terri Sewell
Attn: Academy Nominations
Two 20th Street North Suite #1130
Birmingham, AL 35203