

Admissions, Nominations & Appointments

U.S. Service Academy Appointments/Nominations

United States Air Force Academy

HQ USAFA/RRS
2304 Cadet Drive, Suite 2300
USAF Academy
Colorado Springs, CO 80840
www.academyadmissions.com
1-800-443-9266

United States Military Academy

Building 606
West Point, NY 10996
www.admissions.usma.edu
1-845-938-4011

United States Merchant Marine Academy

300 Steamboat Road
Kings Point, NY 11024-1699
www.usmma.edu
1-866-546-4778

United States Naval Academy

117 Decatur Road
Annapolis, MD 21412
www.usna.edu
1-410-293- 4361

Students may also want to consider the United States Coast Guard Academy. The Coast Guard does not require a congressional nomination for appointment.

United States Coast Guard Academy

31 Mohegan Avenue
New London CT 06320-4195
www.cga.edu
1-800-883-8724

Start the process no later than the beginning of your junior year as follows :

- In the spring take the SAT and/or ACT.
- File a pre-candidate questionnaire with the Academy of interest to you. (Go to the websites listed) Obtain nomination packets from your Congressional Representative and U. S. Senators. Applications may be downloaded using the websites listed. Complete and return the "Application for Nomination" packet by early fall of your senior year).
- To maximize your chances of receiving a nomination, apply in writing to your U.S. Senators and Representative. Each will submit a number of competitive nominations for every available vacancy. **U. S. Senators and Representatives only nominate candidates for admission consideration.** The final selection decisions are made by each academy.

Senator Chris Van Hollen

Application deadline: postmarked October 6, 2017 by 5:00 PM;
Office of Senator Chris Van Hollen
111 Rockville Pike
Suite 960
Rockville, MD 20850

www.vanhollen.senate.gov

Inquiries Contact: Ms. Austin Morris (301) 545- 1500
austin_morris@vanhollen.senate.gov

Senator Benjamin Cardin

Application deadline: November 2, 2017: 5:00PM (not postmarked)
Tower One, Suite 1710
100 S. Charles Street
Baltimore, MD 21201

www.cardin.senate.gov

Inquiries Contact:

Amy_Daiger@cardin.senate.gov

Congressman Jamie Raskin

(8th District)
Application deadline: October 13, 2017
(not postmarked)
51 Monroe St
Suite 503

Rockville, MD 20850

www.raskin.house.gov

Inquiries Contact: Christa Burton 301-354-1000

christa.burton@mail.house.gov

The Vice President of the United States may also serve as a source of nomination, and is authorized to nominate individuals to the United States Military, Naval and Air Force Academies. The Vice President cannot nominate to the U. S. Merchant Marine Academy and does not nominate to the U.S. Coast Guard Academy.

He may have a maximum number of five nominees in attendance at each authorized academy at any one time. Normally, he has one or two vacancies each year. In order to be entered into competition for a Vice Presidential nomination, applicants must complete the online application during the application period of **March 1 to January 31** preceding the year of entrance to the academies. The office of the Vice President will not accept paper applications.

Due to a large volume of applicants (usually several thousand per academy), the Vice President has authorized the academies to evaluate all applications and rank them according to qualifications. In screening candidates, the academies evaluate an individual's high school or college academic record, results of the ACT and SAT tests, recommendations from individuals who are in a position to judge the applicant's character and academic potential, and physical and medical qualifications.