# APPLICATION CHECKLIST

**The following items must be received in Congressman Levin's office no later than 5:00 PM, Friday, October 27, 2023. Information should be submitted as a complete package. The following materials are required:**

## **Completed Application**. It is important that the form be filled out neatly and be completed in ink or typed.

 **Resume** of extracurricular activities, including employment (if any), clubs, volunteer activities, and sports teams. Please include an appropriate picture of yourself for reference.

**Essay/Personal Statement.** Limit your writing to 500 words. Prompt included in packet.

## **Official Transcript.** Please include the most recent grades available. You are welcome to submit transcripts for any college work that you have completed.

**An official copy of your ACT and/or SAT scores**.

**Affidavit of residence & media release form**

**Three letters of recommendation.** Letters of recommendation may come from teachers, guidance counselors, coaches and/or employers. It is recommended that at least one letter come from a science or math teacher. Letters from family members will not be accepted.

**Email your electronic application packet to:** [CA49.ServiceAcademy@mail.house.gov](mailto:nominationsCA48@mail.house.gov) with the subject line “*Candidate Name -* Service Academy Nomination”

## Questions or comments? Please direct all questions regarding the application process to [CA49.ServiceAcademy@mail.house.gov.](mailto:nominationsCA48@mail.house.gov)

*Please see the information below for general information, requirements, and guidelines regarding the nomination process.*

Thank you for your interest in obtaining a nomination to a U.S. Service Academy. The honor of attending a service academy comes with the obligation and commitment to serve in the military for a minimum of five years upon graduation.

Members of Congress may nominate candidates for appointment to four of the five U.S. service academies:

United States Military Academy (USMA), West Point, NY; the United States Naval Academy (USNA), Annapolis, MD; the United States Air Force Academy (USAFA), Colorado Springs, CO; and the United States Merchant Marine Academy (USMMA), Kings Point, NY. (Note: The fifth service academy, the United States Coast Guard Academy (USCGA), New London, CT, does not require a congressional nomination for appointment.)

Congressman Levin may nominate up to ten individuals for each vacant academy slot allotted to our district. To request a Military Academy Nomination from our office, please submit a complete application packet. Best wishes to you as you pursue your goal of attending a United States Service Academy and serving our country.

# IMPORTANT DATES FOR CLASS OF 2028 APPLICANTS:

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| **SAT Testing Dates:** | |
| June 3, 2023 | Rep. Levin's SAT Testing Code: 4638 |
| August 26, 2023 | Rep. Levin's SAT Testing Code: 4638 |
| October 7, 2023 | Rep. Levin's SAT Testing Code: 4638 |
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| **ACT Testing Dates:** | |
| June 10, 2023 | Rep. Levin’s ACT Testing Code: 7288 |
| July 15, 2023 | Rep. Levin’s ACT Testing Code: 7288 |
| September 9, 2023 | Rep. Levin’s ACT Testing Code: 7288 |
| **NOTE: The results of the fall SAT and ACT may arrive too late for consideration in your nomination application. Please plan accordingly. Super scores are accepted.** | |
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| **Application Deadline and Dates to Remember:** | |
| **Friday, October 27, 2023, at 5pm** | Deadline for receipt of completed application,  including all ancillary documents, by Rep. Levin’s  Service Academy Nominations Coordinator |
| **November 2023** | Qualified applicants will meet with Rep. Levin’s Service Academy Advisory Board for an interview. |
| **December 2023** | Nominees are notified of selection by Service Academy Coordinator |

**APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS**

* 1. **Minimum Nomination Requirements**

To apply for a nomination to the **Air Force, Military, Naval, or Merchant Marine Academies**, you must meet all the following minimum requirements:

* be a U.S. citizen or national
* be at least 17 years old and not yet 23 years old on July 1 of the year the applicant would enter the academy (25 years old for USMMA)
* be unmarried, not pregnant, and without legal obligation to support children or other dependents
* demonstrate comprehensive academic preparation
* demonstrate leadership in athletics or other extracurricular activities
* take the SAT or the ACT
* be in good physical and mental health (the academies require a comprehensive medical exam and physical aptitude exam before acceptance)

*Note: The U.S. Coast Guard Academy does not require a congressional nomination for appointment.*

* 1. **Application Requirements**

To be considered for a nomination to a United States Service Academy, the completed application together with ALL supporting materials must be received in Rep. Levin’s District Office by **5:00 p.m. Friday, October 27, 2023**. Because nominations are highly competitive, you are encouraged to apply for nominations with additional offices, including those of President Biden, Vice President Harris, Senator Feinstein, or Senator Padilla.

**Standardized Testing**: A copy of your Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT) and/or American College Testing (ACT) scores is required.

**NOTE: The results of the autumn SAT and ACT may arrive too late for consideration in your application.**

**Transcript(s):** An official high school transcript must be included with your application materials. **The transcript must list your senior year courses.** Please also provide a transcript for any college work that you have completed.

**Letters of recommendation:** Three letters of recommendation. Letters of recommendation may come from teachers, guidance counselors, coaches and/or employers. At least one letter must come from a science or math teacher. Letters from family members will not be accepted. All letters must be signed and submitted in sealed envelopes.

* Your recommender(s) may prefer their letter be sent directly to our office. If that is the case, they may send their letter directly to [CA49.ServiceAcademy@mail.house.gov](mailto:CA49.ServiceAcademy@mail.house.gov) with the subject line “*Candidate Name – Letter of Recommendation”*

**Service Academy Advisory Board Interviews.** Each qualified applicant will be interviewed by Rep. Levin’s Service

Academy Advisory Board in **Fall 2023**. Qualified applicants who submit a completed application by **5:00 p.m.**

**Friday, October 27, 2023,** will be notified of their interview appointment time.

**Your completed application:** Please send your completed application to Rep. Levin's District Office. Use the application checklist to ensure that your application is complete. **An application is considered complete only if it includes ALL the required items, as specified on the checklist on page #1.**

**SELECTION OF NOMINEES**

In addition to seeking a nomination from Rep. Levin, you must contact the Admissions Office at each academy to open an

admissions file. Following consideration of the applicants, Rep. Levin’s Review Board will propose

slates of candidates for nominations to each of the service academies. Final decisions on appointments and admission are at the discretion of the service academies.

**Because nominations are highly competitive, it is to your advantage to apply to more than one academy.**

Rep. Levin urges you to research the opportunities afforded by each of the academies to serve the United States.

### US Air Force Academy Admissions

HQ USAFA/RRS

2304 Cadet Drive, Suite 200 USAF Academy, CO 80840-9901 (800) 443-9266

[www.usafa.af.mil](http://www.usafa.af.mil/)

**US Merchant Marine Academy Admissions** 300 Steamboat Road

Kings Point, NY 11024-1699 (800) 732-6267

[www.usmma.edu](http://www.usmma.edu/)

### US Military Academy Admissions

Building 606

West Point, NY 10996-9902 (845) 938-4041

[www.usma.edu](http://www.usma.edu/)

### US Naval Academy Admissions

117 Decatur Road

Annapolis, MD 21402-9977

(410) 293-4361

[www.usna.edu](http://www.usna.edu/)

Admission to the United States Coast Guard Academy does **not** require a congressional nomination. To obtain an application, please contact:

### US Coast Guard Academy Admissions

31 Mohegan Avenue

New London, CT 06320-8103 (800) 883-8724 [www.cga.edu](http://www.cga.edu/)

# APPLICATION FOR ACADEMY NOMINATION

*Please complete and return this form. Type or print neatly.*

#### Service Academy Preferences

Indicate your preferences with 1, 2, 3, 4 and **ONLY** number the academies to which you are applying. While we try to nominate applicants to first choice academies, you could receive a nomination to any academy you list a preference for here.***However, you will only receive one nomination to one academy from this office. Please solicit other avenues for a nomination if you wish to receive multiple nominations or a nomination to more than one academy.***

Air Force Merchant Marine Naval West Point

#### Personal Information

Name (Last, First, Middle): Place of Birth: US Citizen? (Y/N) Social Security Number (XXX-XX-XXXX): Date of birth (MM/DD/YYYY): For Merchant Marine Academy applicants, are you a resident of California? (Y/N) For all other academies, are you a resident of California’s 49th Congressional District? (Y/N) Permanent Home Address: City/State: Zip + 4: Mailing Address (if different from permanent): Home Phone: Cell Phone: Email Address: Gender: Name of Legal Guardian(s): Guardian Cell Phone: Relation to Legal Guardian(s): Guardian Email Address: ***Academic Information – High School***

School Name: School Address: Phone Number: Name of School Counselor: Graduation Month/Year: GPA: Class Rank: Class Size:

***Academic Information – College*** *(if applicable)*

School Name:

School Address:

Dates of attendance (MM/YY to MM/YY):

Did you receive a nomination from any other source? Y/N If yes, please provide details:

Have you requested that a pre-candidate file be initiated for you at any of the academies? If so, which ones?

Have you had any active or reserve military experience? Y/N If yes, please provide details:

#### Other Nominations

Other nominating sources for which you applied/are applying:

Presidential Vice-Presidential Senatorial-Feinstein Senatorial-Padilla

Other (please list)

#### Standardized Test Scores

You do not need to take both tests, but you must provide a copy of your official SAT and/or ACT scores. If you have not already received your scores, you should contact the College Entrance Examination Board for SAT Scores, or ACT for ACT Scores, and request that a copy of your scores be sent directly to Code 4638 (SAT) or Code 7288(ACT). If you have not yet taken these examinations, please list Code 4638 (SAT) or Code 7288 (ACT) as one of the recipients of your scores at that time.

SAT Scores

Dates Taken: Critical Reading: Math:

ACT Scores:

Dates Taken: Composite Score:

English: Science: Critical Reading: Math:

# Essay Prompt

## In 500 words or less, explain why you want to attend a military academy. If you prefer a specific academy, explain why you have selected that academy. Discuss what service means to you and why you believe you should receive a nomination.

**Confirmation of receipt**

Once all application materials have been received, an e-mail will be sent to confirm receipt. Those who have submitted incomplete packets will be given a list of the items needed to complete their packet. The documents must be submitted before scheduling an interview.

**Interview Process**

Congressman Levin has appointed a Service Academy Nominations Advisory Panel which will conduct the interview process. Our nominations advisory panel includes educators, service academy alumni, representatives of veterans’ groups, and other community leaders from the district.

Interviews will be conducted in November. We will be happy to accommodate requests for applicants who anticipate difficulties in scheduling.

**AFFIDAVIT OF RESIDENCE**

This form is to be completed by the parent or legal guardian of the individual seeking a nomination to a United States Service Academy. If the applicant is not a minor, the form may be completed by him/her.

This statement establishes that the applicant and his/her parent or guardian is a resident of the State of California. An individual is a resident of California if the individual is domiciled in California on the last day of the taxable year or the individual maintains a place of abode in California for more than six months of the taxable year and is physically present in the State for more than 180 days during the taxable year.

I, being of lawful age (18) and a resident of, in

County, California, do under oath and penalties of perjury, depose and say that:

**1a.** I am the parent entitled to the custody, or the legal guardian, of , a minor, who has applied to Representative Mike Levin for consideration as a nominee to a United States Service Academy; the applicant is my son/daughter and/or is my legal ward who lives with me; and our/my domicile is:

**1b**. I am , the applicant who has reached the age of majority, and who has applied to Representative Mike Levin for consideration as a nominee to a United States Service Academy; and my domicile is:

*(Address, including City/Town and State)*

2. In evidence thereof, I depose and say that:

I am registered as a voter in

*(City, County, and State)*

### or

I file income tax returns and pay state income taxes to the State of

Signature Date

(Parent or Guardian if minor)

Printed Name

### Media Release Authorization Form

Name: Address: \_ City/State: Zip Code: Telephone Number: Email Address:

I authorize the release of photographs taken by the Office of Congressman Mike Levin, U.S. Representative and/or his staff. If selected for an appointment, I authorize Representative Mike Levin to publish photos & videos on his website or social media and for press releases, as needed.

Printed Name:

Signature: Date: (Parent or Guardian if minor)