

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-0548

Application for Congressional Nomination

Due by 12:00pm Friday, November 7, 2024. A hard copy of your application must be provided to Rep. Steel's District Office at 10805 Holder St., Suite 225, Cypress, CA 90630.

I. PERSONAL INFORMATION

Legal Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Social Security Number: _____

Gender: Male / Female Are you a U.S. Citizen? Yes / No

Home Address: _____

Home Number: _____ Cell Number: _____

Email: _____

Name(s) of Parent(s) or Guardian(s):

_____ Relation: _____

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Are either of your parents active, retired, or disabled military? Yes / No

Are there any members of your family who have graduated from a military academy? Yes / No

Relation: _____ Academy Graduated From: _____

II. ACADEMIC INFORMATION

High School: _____ Graduation Date: _____

Un-weighted GPA: _____ Weighted GPA: _____ Class Rank/Size: _____

College/Prep School: _____ Graduation Date: _____

Un-weighted GPA: _____ Weighted GPA: _____ Class Rank/Size: _____

Highest SAT Score: R _____ M _____ W _____ Composite _____

Highest ACT Score: R _____ M _____ E _____ S _____ Composite _____

Please indicate your academic status as of November 7, 2024.

High School Senior / Academy Prep School / College / Other

III. ACADEMY INFORMATION

Mark next to each academy the order of preference for those you are applying to.

- _____ U.S. Air Force Academy
- _____ U.S Merchant Marine Academy
- _____ U.S. Military Academy (West Point)
- _____ U.S. Naval Academy

Have you visited a service academy? Yes / No

Do you have a candidate file currently open at an academy? Yes / No

Status of Candidate Fitness Assessment: _____

Please circle any other sources for a nomination to which you are applying to:

President / Vice President / Senator / JROTC

IV. APPLICANT BACKGROUND

Please include dates and do not duplicate information. For questions 1-4, include honors, awards, and leadership positions. Must be typed. See page 3 for a sample applicant background.

1. School related athletic activities:
2. Non-school related athletic activities:
3. School related clubs and organizations:
4. Non-school related clubs and organizations:
5. Academic honors and awards:
6. Employment and volunteer experience:
7. Please attach the following to your application:
 - A. Current Photo
 - B. Transcript
 - C. ACT/SAT Scores
 - D. Any Letters of Assurance or Letters of Encouragement
 - E. Statement of Purpose. Explain why you want to attend an Academy.
Maximum length: 1 page single spaced in 12pt font.
 - F. Three Letters of Recommendation. Do not submit more than three letters.
Reference #1: _____
Reference #2: _____
Reference #3: _____

Please read before signing: I hereby state that the information contained in this application is correct, and that it is my intention to attend a military academy if appointed. I am a U.S. Citizen or will be by my reporting date to the respective academy; am at least 17 years but not yet 23 years of age by my reporting date to the respective academy; unmarried; not pregnant; have no child support obligation; and a legal resident of the 45th Congressional District of California.

I give Congresswoman Michelle Steel and her office permission to monitor my progress in seeking an appointment to the Academy. I hereby give my consent for the Academy to divulge information from my records for this purpose.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

SAMPLE APPLICANT BACKGROUND

1. School related athletic activities:
 - JV Golf Team, Freshman-Sophomore (2 years)
 - Varsity Golf Team, Junior-Senior Year (2 years)
 - Team Captain, Varsity Golf: Senior Year (1 year)
 - MVP, Varsity Golf (2014)

2. Non-school related athletic activities:
 - Youth Lacrosse Coach, 2012-2014, Summer & Winter 3 hours/week
 - Black Belt First Degree, 2012

3. School-related clubs and organizations:
 - Yearbook Club, 2011-2013
 - Robotics Club, 2011-2013, President 2012-2013
 - Symphony Band (2011-2015) All Saxophones Section Leader
 - Key Club (2011-2014): Vice President, 2013; President, 2014
 - JROTC, 2012-2013

4. Non-school related clubs and organizations:
 - California Boys State, 2014
 - Boy Scouts of America – Eagle Scout, 2014; Eagle Bronze Palm, 2014
 - US Naval Sea Cadets, 2nd Class Petty Officer (2011). Citation Ribbon as Battalion Honor Cadet (01/2011). NSCC Unit Commendation Ribbon POLA (7/2012).

5. Academic honors and awards:
 - International Baccalaureate Certificate, 2014
 - AP Scholar with Distinction, 2013
 - National Honors Society, 2013-2014
 - California Scholarship Federation, 2014
 - Principal's Honor Roll (2012-2014) Reference: Jane Smith, JaneSmith@school.edu
 - USNA Summer STEM Program, 2013
 - USMA Summer Leadership Experience (SLE), 2014

6. Employment and volunteer experience:
 - Food Bank, Church (100 hours) 2012 – Supervisor John Smith, 626-964-5123
 - Business Intern (150 hours) summer 2014 | Reference: John Smith, JohnSmith@biz.com
 - Cashier (2012-2011) 20 hours/week M-F for 15 weeks
 - Babysitter (2010-2011) 10 hours/week Sat-Sun for 10 weeks

SAMPLE SELECTION REVIEW COMMITTEE QUESTIONS

- Why do you want to attend a U.S. Service academy?
- Why have you chosen this specific academy?
- Why does a military career appeal to you?
- Explain the service commitment upon graduation. How will it impact your future plans?
- Which high school activities have prepared you for success at a military academy?
- Describe what you think military training at the academy would involve?
- How have you prepared for the physically demanding academy life?
- What do you consider your strongest attributes?
- Where do you see yourself in ten years?
- How far are you on your application to the academy?
 - scheduled DoDMERB
 - passed CFA
 - submitted essays
 - been interviewed
 - submitted SAT/ACT scores
 - provided letters of recommendation
- What will you do if you do not receive a nomination or offer of appointment?
- Tell me about your visit to the academy
- Tell me about a time when you had to overcome a hardship