



Congressmember Karen Bass (CA-37) Congressional Military Academy Nomination Instructions

Thank you for your interest in the U.S. Service Academies.

As your Representative in the 37th Congressional District of California, every year I have the privilege and responsibility of nominating talented young people to gain a top-quality college education and officer training at four of the five service academies:

- [U.S. Air Force Academy \(USAFA\)](#)
- [U.S. Merchant Marine Academy \(USMMA\)](#)
- [U.S. Military Academy \(West Point\) \(USMA\)](#)
- [U.S. Naval Academy \(USNA\)](#)

Applying to a military academy includes all of the steps of applying to any other college, plus two extra elements: 1) gaining a nomination; and 2) demonstrating your physical fitness. YOU MUST open an application for admission to the academy as soon as possible, and meet the deadlines for submitting all pieces of your application to them. In addition, you must apply to my office for a nomination to the academy or academies where you hope to attend.

Have you submitted a complete application for admission to one or more academies Yes No

If so, check all that apply? USAFA USMMA USMA (West Point) USNA

*If you have not opened an application for admission to one or more of the above academies, please do so before continuing with this form.

The honor of attending a service academy comes with an obligation and commitment to **serve as an officer in the military for a minimum of five years upon graduation.** For more information, please review my page of [Frequently Asked Questions for those seeking a Military Academy Nomination](#).

To begin your request for a Military Academy Nomination from my office, please compile the documents in the checklist below, complete the following application, and mail a **complete** nomination packet to our district office (address listed on attached form). Please refer to online information in each academy's application for a full description of the necessary requirements.

- Complete Military Academy Nomination Application Form (see below)
- Current photo
- High school transcript*
- American College Testing Program (ACT) results and/or College Board Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT) results*
- Resume of extracurricular activities**
- An essay stating why you want to attend a service academy (1-2 pages)**
- Minimum of three letters of recommendation**

*To avoid extra expenses, the office will accept personal or unofficial copies of these documents

**See specific academy application for details

Best wishes to you as you pursue your goal of attending one of the U.S. Service Academies and serving our country.



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Please provide the following information:

Gender: _____

First Name: _____

Middle Initial: _____

Last Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Name of Parents/Guardians: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____

E-mail: _____

Home Number: _____

Mobile Number: _____

Check if you'd like to be added to our newsletter:

U.S. Citizen: Yes No **If you are not** a US citizen, list your country of citizenship: _____

Educational Information:

High School: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____

State _____

Zip Code: _____

Class Size: _____ Class Rank: _____

Graduation Date: _____ GPA: _____

SAT Scores:

Reading and Writing: _____

Math: _____

Essay (optional): _____

AND/OR

ACT Scores:

English: _____ Reading: _____

Math: _____ Composite: _____

Science: _____ Writing (optional): _____

Academy Information: Rank your preference (1st-4th) of academies where you have applied.

_____ USAFA

_____ USMMA

_____ USMA (West Point)

_____ USNA

Please contact our office if you have any questions or concerns regarding this form or the application to the academies.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please print, sign, and mail with the other items in the checklist to Congressmember Bass' District Office at:

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