TO: All Colorado candidates for service academies

FROM: United States Senator Ken Salazar

RE: NOMINATION PROCEDURE FOR CLASS

ENTERING ACADEMIES IN 2007

The purpose of the nomination procedure is to present the service academies with qualified candidates from every area of the country. My nomination functions as a recommendation to the academies and my responsibility is to nominate the best qualified young people in the state of Colorado. In order to do this, I ask that each candidate submit certain credentials which will be evaluated; it is then the candidate's responsibility to insure that the information is submitted by the deadline. Interviews by this committee will be conducted in November and applicants will be notified by mid-December.

IN ORDER TO BE CONSIDERED FOR A NOMINATION, YOU MUST TAKE THE FOLLOWING STEPS:

- 1) Complete and submit, **by mail, not fax***, the enclosed <u>Application Form</u>. It is important that the form be filled out neatly and be completed <u>IN INK</u> OR TYPED, **and unaltered.**
- 2) Write a <u>Personal Letter to Senator Salazar</u> explaining your reasons for seeking a nomination to an academy.
- 3) At least one of three <u>Evaluation Forms</u> must be completed by a teacher, your principal, or a counselor. Other evaluation forms may be completed by someone who knows you well, but not a family member.
- 4) Attach an official copy of your <u>High School Transcript</u> **GPA and CLASS RANK are required for your file to be considered complete.**
- 5) Attach a copy of your <u>ACT and/or SAT scores</u>, if not already included in your transcript.
- 6) Include a photograph, 5 x 7 or wallet size.

APPLICATION ITEMS SHOULD BE SENT AS A COMPLETED PACKAGE. INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS OR APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER OCTOBER 13, 2006 WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

TEST SCORE GUIDELINES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

	SAT	<u>ACT</u>		SAT	<u>ACT</u>
AIR FORCE Verbal Math Reading Science	590 620	26 27 28 27	MERCHANT MARINE Verbal Math Combined	500 520 1020	24 25
NAVAL ACADEMY Verbal Math	600 600	26 30	MILITARY ACADEMY Verbal Math Science Rea Reading	600 600	26 26 26 26

THE DEADLINE FOR YOUR COMPLETED FILE TO BE RECEIVED IN MY OFFICE IS OCTOBER 13, 2006.

If you have questions or inquiries regarding any portion of the application process, you are encouraged to correspond by email to the Nominations Coordinator at: academy_nominations@salazar.senate.gov

If you desire to have your test scores sent directly to our office, the following codes apply:

SAT: 4771 ACT: 7112

^{*}Faxed applications will be accepted only from students living outside the United States.