



## U.S. SENATOR JAMES M. TALENT

Service Academy Nomination

Application Packet

### Enclosed:

- Academy Fact Sheet
- Academy Nomination Checklist
- Academy Minimum Requirements
- Nomination Application Form
- Nomination Recommendation Form



## U.S. SENATOR JAMES M. TALENT Academy Fact Sheet

### United States Service Academy Application

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#### **I. General Information**

My office will select nominees using the equal and competitive method. In this system, I will select a roster of ten names to submit per academy. My lists will be compiled based on the recommendation of my Academy Review Board. Applicants will be considered on the basis of their merit criteria including evidence of character, motivation, scholarship, and leadership ability.

The information required is outlined below. *It is your responsibility* to submit this information and to keep it updated. The Nomination Application must postmarked no later than the last Friday in October. ACT and SAT test scores not available by the October deadline must be postmarked no later than the last Friday in November. Candidates whose files are incomplete when nominations are made will not be given consideration.

For your convenience, I've included in this packet a checklist to assist in keeping track of information you send to my office. You will be notified by mail in January regarding the outcome of your application.

#### **II. Requirements**

All applicants must be U.S. citizens and legal residents of Missouri and meet the Minimum Requirements and Test Scores (refer to Academy Minimum Requirements section of this packet) for each academy for which you want to be considered.

*Leadership:* Applicant should have outstanding records of extracurricular activities in school, in the community, or in part-time jobs. Quality of involvement is stressed over the number of activities.

*Character/Motivation:* These characteristics will be judged from the Nomination Recommendation Forms and letters, the applicant's diligence in completing their application packet, and the content of the required essay.

*Medical/Physical:* Individual academies will schedule a time directly with applicants for the Department of Defense Medical Examination Review Board (DODMERB).

*Transcript:* An official transcript from the applicant's high school must show the applicant's final Junior year grades. If the applicant applies before this information is available, please request that an official copy be sent to my office when it becomes available.

### **III. Application Procedure**

1. Print the United States Service Academy Nomination Application Packet from my web site or request a packet from my office.
2. Request academy catalogs by writing to the admissions office at each of the individual academies in which you have an interest. Addresses are shown on my Academy Minimum Requirements page. Examine the academy catalogs to familiarize yourself with their programs and requirements.
3. Request a pre-candidate questionnaire from each academy in which you are interested. This is an important step and ensures that the academies are aware of your interest.
4. Complete and submit my United States Service Academy Nomination Application. Please include two wallet size photos with your application.
5. Arrange to take and submit the SAT and/or ACT scores.

**All Correspondence Regarding the Service Academies Should be Sent to:**

**U.S. Senator James M. Talent**

**400 East 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 40**

**Kansas City, MO 64106**

**Attn: Service Academies Coordinator**

**816-421-1639 / 816-421-2562 (fax) / [academy@talent.senate.gov](mailto:academy@talent.senate.gov)**



## U.S. SENATOR JAMES M. TALENT Academy Nomination Checklist

### United States Service Academy Application

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#### Checklist:

Request a United States Service Academy Nomination Application Packet from my office.

Request academy catalogs by writing to the Office of Admissions at each of the individual academies in which you have an interest.

Request and submit a pre-candidate questionnaire from each academy in which you are interested.

Register to take the ACT and/or SAT.

Complete and submit my United States Service Academy Nomination Application. Include two wallet size photos with your application.

Arrange for Academy Nomination Recommendation Forms to be completed and submitted by high school counselor or principal and two others from a teacher, coach, employer or other non-family member.

Arrange for submission of your Official High School transcripts for three full years of study.

Arrange for submission of your ACT and/or SAT scores.

#### Schedule:

- **Deadline for Applications** – All applications should be postmarked by the last Friday in October.
- **Nomination Status Notification** – All applicants will be notified by mail regarding their nomination status in January.



## U.S. SENATOR JAMES M. TALENT Academy Minimum Requirements

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#### Academy

#### Minimum Requirements

##### **U.S. Naval Academy**

Director of Candidate Guidance  
Annapolis, Maryland  
21402-5019  
800-638-9156

U.S. Citizen

Age 17 but not past 23 by July 1  
Unmarried/Not Pregnant  
No Dependents  
PAE and DODMERB exams

##### **U.S. Air Force Academy**

Director of Admissions  
Colorado Springs, Colorado  
80840-5651  
719-472-2520

U.S. Citizen

Age 17 but not past 23 by July 1  
Unmarried/Not Pregnant  
No Dependents  
CFT and DODMERB exams

##### **U.S. Military Academy**

Director of Admissions  
West Point, New York  
10996-1797  
914-938-4041

U.S. Citizen

Age 17 but not past 23 by July 1  
Unmarried/Not Pregnant  
No Dependents  
PAE and DODMERB exams

##### **U.S. Merchant Marine Academy**

Admissions Office  
Kings Point, New York  
11024-1699  
800-732-6267

U.S. Citizen

Age 17 but not past 25 by July 1  
No Marriage Restrictions  
PAE and DODMERB exams



## U.S. SENATOR JAMES M. TALENT

### United States Service Academy Nomination Application Form

*(Please Print Clearly or Type)*

#### Section 1: Academy Preference

1<sup>st</sup> Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

2<sup>nd</sup> Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

3<sup>rd</sup> Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

4<sup>th</sup> Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Section 2: Personal Data

**Social Security #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Full Legal Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (Middle)

**Legal Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**County of  
Legal Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Birth Date:** *Month* \_\_\_\_\_ *Date* \_\_\_\_\_ *Year* \_\_\_\_\_

**High School:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Graduation (Mo/Yr)** \_\_\_\_\_

**College (if applicable):** \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Applying for Academy Class Entering the Summer of: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you applied for nomination via any other officials? If so, please list those officials:

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Have you ever been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor? (Not including parking tickets or traffic violations for which you did not receive points, but including driving while impaired / driving while intoxicated or disorderly conduct charges.) Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please explain (use extra sheet if necessary): \_\_\_\_\_

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### Section 3: Resume

Your resume should include the following sections:

- **High school extra-curricular activities:** List athletic teams, clubs, organizations, student government, in which you participated, and indicate which years you participated.
- **Community / Volunteer / Spiritual Activities:** List charity groups, church groups, Scouts, etc. in which you participated, and indicate which years you participated.
- **Work Experience:** List self-employment or part-time jobs you hold or have held, plus length of employment and promotions.
- **Awards / Honors:**
- **Cultural Experiences and Travel:** Those experiences that have helped develop your leadership skills.
- **Miscellaneous:** Any information that you feel is important to your application.

### Section 4: Essay

On a separate page, briefly state, in 250 words or less, why you want to attend a service academy. Also include in the header your final junior year cumulative G.P.A., and highest ACT or SAT score to date.

### Section 5: Signature

This is to certify that I have read and understand the Academy Fact Sheet provided by Senator Talent and that the information I am submitting is accurate. I understand that my completed application form must be postmarked no later than the last Friday in October in order for my application to be given full consideration by Senator Talent. Test scores not available at that time must be postmarked by the last Friday in November.

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

(Date)



## U.S. SENATOR JAMES M. TALENT Nomination Recommendation Form

### United States Service Academy Application

*(Please read the information below before completing the Nomination Recommendation Form)*

**Note to Applicant:** You are required to submit three recommendations: one from your high school counselor or principal, and two others from a teacher, coach, employer or other non-family member. Have them return the completed forms to you in a sealed envelope. You should send the three recommendation envelopes to:

**U.S. Senator James M. Talent  
400 East 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 40  
Kansas City, MO 64106  
Attn: Service Academies Coordinator**

1. Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (Middle)  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Note to Recommender:** The person whose name appears above is applying for admission to a United States Service Academy. The Academies provide a college education leading to a career as a military officer. The questions posed below suggest the kind of information that would be helpful in the selection process. However, while it is important that forms be completed, please feel free to submit additional comments in an attached letter. Your assistance in this applicant's evaluation will be very helpful and it is greatly appreciated. Once completed, please seal this form and any attachments in an envelope and return to the candidate, who will submit it unopened with their application.

2. How long have you known the applicant and in what capacity? \_\_\_\_\_

3. What do you consider to be the applicant's talents and strengths? \_\_\_\_\_

4. What do you consider to be the applicant's weaknesses? \_\_\_\_\_



5. Do you know of any personal circumstances or conditions which might effect the applicant's performance at an academy? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, please explain. \_\_\_\_\_

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6. Please provide your appraisal of the applicant in terms of the qualities listed below. Leave blank those of which you have no knowledge.

▪ Intellectual Ability \_\_\_\_\_

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▪ Leadership Qualities \_\_\_\_\_

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▪ Ability to Work with Others \_\_\_\_\_

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▪ Overall Character \_\_\_\_\_

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Recommender's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Recommender's Name (*Please print*) \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Recommender's Address \_\_\_\_\_

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