

FACT SHEET FOR SERVICE ACADEMY CANDIDATES  
Class of 2021  
Congressman Glenn Grothman (6<sup>th</sup> Congressional District –Wisconsin)

Members of Congress are asked to nominate candidates to the four United States Service Academies each year. The number of vacancies for each congressional district is determined by law. Then candidates can be nominated for each opening at the U.S. Naval Academy (Annapolis, Maryland), U.S. Military Academy (West Point, New York), and the U.S. Air Force Academy (Colorado Springs, Colorado). It is possible that more than one nominee will be accepted for each vacancy. For the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy (Kings Point, New York), the procedure is slightly different. Members of Congress may nominate ten candidates every year to this school. You may be considered for nomination to more than one academy. We ask that you list in order of preference on the application those schools you would be interested in attending.

A Commission of distinguished residents of the 6<sup>th</sup> District chooses the students to be nominated. The Commission reviews your application and selects candidates for an interview. The final nominees are selected based on your high school record, ACT or SAT scores, extracurricular activities, letters of recommendation, essay responses, and your interview. Nominees will be announced in December.

To be considered, the general requirements are: You must be a U.S. citizen, single, have no dependents and not be pregnant, be at least seventeen (but not twenty-three) as of the date class begins, and a resident of the 6<sup>th</sup> District.

The academies require a thorough medical examination as part of the admissions process. Applicants with less than perfect vision may be ineligible or need a waiver depending on the academy. Few “eye waivers” are approved (The Merchant Marine Academy grants none), so even superior candidates may be rejected for this reason. The individual academy catalogs or websites should be consulted for each school’s requirements.

Your scores on the ACT or SAT tests are an important part of your application. If you have not already taken the test, you should arrange to take the test as early as possible. Your guidance counselor can provide registration information. We recommend you have your scores sent directly to me by listing my code number ACT: 7759 and SAT: 1684 on the test form.

I recommend you contact the academy or academies of your choice to request a pre-candidate questionnaire. This is the first step in the Admissions Office’s evaluation of your record.

Schedule for Applicants applying to enter the Academies in 2017:

Now	Request application from Rep. Grothman and pre-candidate questionnaire from academy - Register to take ACT or SAT
October 12, 2016	Deadline to submit your application to my office
November, 2016	Commission interviews conducted to select nominees
December, 2016	Nominees are notified
Spring, 2017	Academies complete admissions process and offer appointments
Summer, 2017	Classes begin

To apply for a Service Academy Nomination: Complete the enclosed application. Please type or print in black ink as the entire application must be copied for Panel members. Be sure to include your response to the essay question on page 3 of the application. Arrange for the submission of the requested letters of recommendation, high school transcript, and ACT or SAT scores. Return your application by October 12, 2016 to the address below. Receipt of your application will be acknowledged and you will be advised when your file is complete. Please notify my office immediately of any change of address.

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