

## **Summary of the Nomination and Appointment Process**

The following schedule may be used as a guide to the timing of important steps in the nomination and appointment.

### **Beginning in March**

Members of Congress begin to receive applications for nomination to the service academies.

### **September through December September through January**

Members of Congress accept applications and screen applicants, including interview by screening board if used. Academies provide periodic applicant evaluation to Members of Congress based on the evaluation of the information self-reported by the applicant. In late January or early February, status reports reflect validated information on the candidates.

### **Beginning in October and November**

Academies send out early offers of admission/appointment and Letters of Assurance. Advance notice of appointments will be given to congressional offices by the academies. Candidates involved in the U.S. Military Academy's Early Action Program will not receive their notice of appointment until the middle of January.

### **By 31 January**

Members of Congress submit names of nominees to the appropriate agencies representing the academies.

### **By Late April**

Academies have offered the majority of appointments.

### **May through June**

Academies offer additional appointments to replace candidates who decline their appointments.

### **Late June or Early July**

Newly appointed classes enter the academies.

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SERVICE ACADEMY QUESTIONNAIRE

## MISSISSIPPI

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Permanent Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Number and Street) (County)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(City) (State and Zip Code)

Temporary Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Number and Street) (County)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(City) (State and Zip Code)

Area Code and Home Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Number : \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parents: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Parents: \_\_\_\_\_

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

School Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate in order of preference: \_\_\_\_\_ U.S. Military Academy  
\_\_\_\_\_ U.S. Air Force Academy  
\_\_\_\_\_ U.S. Naval Academy  
\_\_\_\_\_ U.S. Merchant Marine Academy

Which other Senator or Congressman have you applied to?  
\_\_\_\_\_

Names of individuals writing letters of recommendations on your behalf: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Extracurricular activities and employment: *(Use the reverse side if additional space is necessary.)*

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



### TRAITS FOR THE PROSPECTIVE UNITED STATES SERVICE ACADEMY CANDIDATE

- Citizenship:** Must be a U.S. Citizen
- Age:** Must be at least 17 and not past 22nd birthday on July 1st of the year entering the academy.
- Character:** Must be of good moral character.
- Marital Status:** Must be unmarried, not pregnant and have no legal obligations for support of a child or other dependents.
- Scholastic Record:** (High School) Desired but not mandatory.
- A. In the top 40% of class
  - B. Complete or be completing 4 years of math (including trigonometry)
  - C. Complete or be completing 4 years of English
  - D. Complete or be completing 1 year of Chemistry
  - E. Complete or be completing 1 year of Physics
  - F. Complete or be completing 2 years of foreign language
  - G. Complete or be completing 1 year of European or world history
  - H. Standardized test scores desired (qualifying, not minimum)
    - SAT: Verbal 500    Math 550
    - ACT: Verbal 21    Math 24
- Leadership:** Leadership potential can be determined in great measure by the candidate's participation in extracurricular activities such as:
- A. Elected class officer
  - B. Elected officer of school clubs
  - C. School honor clubs
  - D. Scholastic teams (debating forums, etc.)
  - E. Boys State or Girls State
  - F. Community functions
  - G. Boy Scouts or Girl Scouts
  - H. Athletics - team and individual sports
  - I. After school and summer jobs
- Physical Standards:** Although each service academy has its own requirements, all are designed to measure such qualities as strength, endurance, agility and coordination.
- A. Preferably 20/20 vision. Normal color perception.  
Defective visual acuity or color perception requires candidate to compete for limited numbers of waivers. In this event the candidate must be stronger in his SAT and/or ACT scores, class rank, and extracurricular activities.
  - B. Height: 60 to 78 inches for males (waivers to 80")  
58 to 78 inches for females (waivers to 80")  
For West Point females : 58 to 72 inches
  - C. Weight: Minimum and maximum levels are dependent on the individual's height.  
Obesity is disqualifying.
  - D. Ears: Average level not greater than 30 db. Both ears must be free from any abnormalities or diseases.