



## **Congressman Russ Fulcher**

Serving the 1st District of Idaho

# **Service Academy Nomination Application Packet**



**Office of U.S. Congressman Russ Fulcher**  
**Attn: Tori Shockey**  
**33 E. Broadway, Suite 251**  
**Meridian, ID 83642**  
**(208) 888-3188**  
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## **U.S. Congressman Russ Fulcher First Congressional District of Idaho**

### **TIMETABLE OF APPLICATION PROCESS, ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS AND SELECTION CRITERIA**

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#### **Timetable for the Application Process:**

- March 1, 2019: Request Nomination Application**  
Students, who reside in the First Congressional District of Idaho and meet the eligibility criteria, may begin submitting application materials to request a Congressional Nomination for a Service Academy.
- November 15, 2019: Nomination Application Deadline**  
ALL applications and required materials **MUST** be postmarked by November 15, 2019. **No exceptions will be allowed.**  
Please mail or deliver to:  
**U.S. Congressman Russ Fulcher**  
**Attn: Tori Shockey**  
33E. Broadway, Suite 251  
Meridian, ID 83642  
**Applicants are responsible for making sure their files with my office are complete.** If you do not submit the required information by the post marked deadline, your application may not be given consideration.
- November – December 2019: Review of Completed Applications by Service Academy Board**  
The Academy Service Board has the option of interviewing all applicants who qualify for a nomination. The board will look closely at all aspects of those individuals who are being considered.
- Mid-December 2019: Announcement of Nominees**  
The nominations will be made, and all nominees will be notified.
- Beginning February 2020: Offers of Appointment from Academies**  
Nomination by U.S. Congressman Russ Fulcher does not automatically result in selection by the Military Service Academies. **Selection for appointment to each Academy is ultimately decided upon by the academies.**

## Eligibility Requirements

Applicants must meet the following requirements as of March 1<sup>st</sup> of the year of admission to the Academy:

- I. Age:** The student must be between 17 and 22 years of age.
- II. Citizenship:** Applicant must be a United States Citizen by November 1 of the application year.
- III. Marital Status:** Must be unmarried, not pregnant, and have no legal obligation to support children or other dependants.
- IV. Domicile:** Candidate must reside in the First Congressional District of Idaho.

## Selection Criteria

Nominations from U.S. Congressman Russ Fulcher are based on a “whole person” evaluation. Applicants are considered for nomination based upon five levels of criteria.

- I. Scholarship:** Evaluation of academic records will include the applicant’s grade point average, SAT / ACT scores, class ranking, student’s willingness to embrace academic challenges, and if applicable any college records.
- II. Leadership:** Consideration will be made based on the student’s leadership experience and potential command ability. The consideration of this qualification will be based upon the applicant’s records of extracurricular activities. Quality of involvement is stressed over the number of activities.
- III. Character / Motivation:**  
Consideration of the motivation and desire of applicants to attend a service academy is based upon the essay submitted by the applicant, their recommendations, and their interview before the Academy Nominee Selection Board.
- IV. Medical / Physical:**  
The academies schedule medical and physical fitness examinations. Students will be notified when and where to report for these tests.
- V. Competitiveness:**  
The final consideration of an applicant for a nomination is comparative in nature, appraising each applicant’s attributes against all others who are applying.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Tori Shockey at 1.208.888.3188 or [tori.shockey@mail.house.gov](mailto:tori.shockey@mail.house.gov).



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First Congressional District of Idaho**

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS**

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To be considered for a possible nomination, a student must read all guidelines carefully and complete all of the steps below prior to **November 15, 2019**. Please send all completed materials to:

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**Materials:**

1. **Letter Requesting Nomination** – Submit a letter to U.S. Congressman Russ Fulcher requesting a nomination. This must be written in a formal business format.
2. **Application for Nomination** – Return the completed Application for Nomination
3. **Resume** – Provide a detailed listing of your academic, community service, Extracurricular activities, athletic activities, and any other notable accomplishments.
4. **Essay** – Compose an essay of no more than 500 words, which provides insight into why you desire to attend a Service Academy and why you would be a good candidate for admission. **This essay must be separate and distinct from your letter.**
5. **Photo** – Attach a recent photo to your completed application (does not have to be a professional photo).
6. **Letters of Recommendation** – Submit at least three letters of recommendation from individuals unrelated to you, who can assess your intellect, character, and suitability for military service. **One** from a teacher, principal, school administrator, guidance counselor, or academic dean; **one** from an employer or extracurricular faculty advisor; and **one** from a person of your choice. *These letters may be given to you in sealed envelopes with their signature across the seal or they may be sent directly to our office at the above address.*
7. **Official Transcripts** – Submit a copy of your official transcripts to be sent directly from your high school (or college) to the above address.
8. **Standardized Test Results** – Have your scores sent directly from the testing services to the above address or use our office's reporting codes: **ACT-code 7371; SAT-code 5460**. If your standardized test score is notated on your transcript that will suffice.



## MILITARY SERVICE ACADEMY INFORMATION

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The President of the United States, Vice President, Members of Congress and some other agencies and organizations have the authority to nominate persons for admission to a Service Academy.

Applicants should direct any questions regarding the admissions process for a particular Academy to the Academy's Admissions office. Applicants are responsible for initiating a pre-candidate file at each Academy to which they are seeking a nomination. Contact information for each of the academies is listed below.

### **United States Military Academy**

Director of Admissions  
United States Military Academy  
606 Thayer Road  
West Point, New York 10996  
(845)938-4041 or (800)822-2769  
Website: <http://www.usma.edu>

### **United States Naval Academy**

Candidate Guidance Office  
United States Naval Academy  
117 Decatur Road  
Annapolis, Maryland 21402  
(410)293-4361 or (800)638-9156  
Website: <http://www.usna.edu>

### **United States Air Force Academy**

USAFA / RRS  
2304 Cadet Drive, Suite 200  
USAF Academy, Colorado 80840  
(800)443-9266  
Website: <http://www.usafa.af.mil>

### **United States Merchant Marine Academy**

Director of Admissions  
U.S. Merchant Marine Academy  
Kings Point, New York 11024  
(800)732-6267  
Website: <http://www.usmma.edu>

\* The U.S. Merchant Marine Academy uses state quotas to determine admission, rather than district quotas. For the Merchant Marine Academy, a Member of Congress may nominate as with other academies, however, there is no dedicated position available. Each nominee selected must compete statewide for the vacancies and the Merchant Marine Academy makes the selection.

### **United States Coast Guard Academy**

Director of Admissions  
15 Mohegan Avenue  
New London, Connecticut 06320  
(800)883-USCG  
Website: <http://www.cga.edu/>  
\* It is not necessary to seek a Nomination to attend the Coast Guard Academy.  
U.S.C.G.A. accepts candidates based on their own testing criteria. Any individual interested in applying must contact the Academy directly.



## Academic Information:

High School: \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Weighted) (Unweighted)

Class Rank: \_\_\_\_\_ Class Size: \_\_\_\_\_

SAT Scores: Total: \_\_\_\_\_ Verbal: \_\_\_\_\_ Math: \_\_\_\_\_

ACT Scores: Total: \_\_\_\_\_

English: \_\_\_\_\_ Math: \_\_\_\_\_ Reading: \_\_\_\_\_ Science: \_\_\_\_\_

College/University Experience (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

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*(Include name of institution, dates of attendance, GPA)*

## Attachments:

Please provide the following documents as attachments to these forms as part of the application:

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- Please make sure that you have your **Official Transcripts, School Disciplinary file (if applicable)**, and all **Standardized Test Results** sent directly to our office.

## Signatures:

I hereby certify that I am a legal resident of the First Congressional District of the State of Idaho and meet all of the eligibility requirements as stated in the information guide and application provided by U.S. Congressman Russ Fulcher's office.

I request that U.S. Congressman Russ Fulcher consider my application for a Congressional Nomination to the United States Service Academy or Academies that I have listed.

I understand that the postmark deadline for this application is **November 15, 2019**. If I have not submitted all of the requested information postmarked by the deadline, I understand that my application may not be given consideration.

I, the undersigned, certify that the information I have provided on this application is accurate and has been completed to the best of my knowledge.

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

Applicant Name (printed): \_\_\_\_\_

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

*For applicants under 18 years of age:*

I approve of this application and certify that all of the information provided by my child or ward is accurate.

I understand that if my child or ward is nominated to a Service Academy, any announcement to the news media will be made by U.S. Congressman Russ Fulcher's Office.

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Name (printed): \_\_\_\_\_

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

*Due to the **Privacy Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-579)**, federal and state government agencies are prohibited from releasing information or discussing anything regarding another individual without the individual's written permission. Your signature on the page authorizes me, as a United States Representative, to contact the proper officials on your behalf, to discuss the matter and receive any information pertinent to you and your concerns.*





**CHECKLIST OF FORMS  
TO BE RECEIVED FOR  
COMPLETED NOMINATION FILE  
Deadline: November 15, 2019  
NO EXCEPTIONS**

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

- 1. Letter requesting nomination** \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Nomination Application** \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. Resume** \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. Essay** \_\_\_\_\_
- 5. Photo** \_\_\_\_\_
- 6. Letters of Recommendation** \_\_\_\_\_
- 7. Recommendation form with Recommendation Letter** \_\_\_\_\_
- 8. School Disciplinary File** \_\_\_\_\_
- 9. Official Academic Transcripts** \_\_\_\_\_
- 10. ACT AND / OR SAT scores** \_\_\_\_\_