Congressman Russ Fulcher
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Service Academy Nomination Application Packet

Office of U.S. Congressman Russ Fulcher
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U.S. Congressman Russ Fulcher  
First Congressional District of Idaho

TIMETABLE OF APPLICATION PROCESS,  
ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS AND SELECTION CRITERIA

Timetable for the Application Process:

**March 1, 2022:** 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, 2022:** Nomination Application Deadline  
ALL applications and required materials MUST be postmarked by November 15, 2022. **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 2022:** 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 being considered.

**Mid-December 2022:** Announcement of Nominees  
The nominations will be made, and all nominees will be notified.

**Beginning February 2023:** 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 by the academies.**
Eligibility Requirements

Applicants must meet the following requirements as of March 1st 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 (if applicable).

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.
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First Congressional District of Idaho  

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

To be considered for a possible nomination, a student must read all guidelines carefully and complete the steps below prior to **November 15, 2022**. Please send all completed materials to:

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Attn: Tori Shockey  
33 E. Broadway, Suite 251  
Meridian, ID 83642

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Materials:

1. **Initial Request for Nomination** – Please submit your request for nomination through our website at https://fulcher.house.gov/service-academy-nominations.

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, employment, 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 the qualities you possess that will make you a worthy candidate for admission.

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. **All letters of recommendation must be in a sealed envelope, signed by the writer of the letter on the back envelope flap. These letters may be given to you to submit or send along with your completed application to Tori Shockey.**

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 official transcript, then that will also be acceptable.
MILITARY SERVICE ACADEMY INFORMATION

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](http://www.usma.edu)

**United States Air Force Academy**
USAFA / RRS
2304 Cadet Drive, Suite 200
USAFA Academy, Colorado 80840
(800)443-9266
Website: [http://www.usafa.af.mil](http://www.usafa.af.mil)

**United States Coast Guard Academy**
Director of Admissions
15 Mohegan Avenue
New London, Connecticut 06320
(800)883-USCG
Website: [http://www.cga.edu/](http://www.cga.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](http://www.usna.edu)

**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](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.

* 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.
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First Congressional District of Idaho  
ACADEMY NOMINATION APPLICATION

Please rank the Academies to which you are applying in the order of your preference (one to five, as applicable):

_____ United States Air Force Academy  _____ United States Naval Academy
_____ United States Military Academy  _____ United States Coast Guard (no nominations made)

_____ United States Merchant Marine Academy

Personal Information:

Name: ____________________________________________________________
(last)  (first)  (middle)

Nickname or familiar first name: __________________________________________

Permanent Address: _______________________________________________
(street/post office box)  (city)  (state)  (zip)

Mailing Address: _________________________________________________
(street/post office box)  (city)  (state)  (zip)

Home Telephone: (____)_________________________  Cell Phone: (____)_________________________

Email: ____________________________________________________________

Date of Birth: _____/_____/_______  Place of Birth: _______________________________________
(MM/DD/YYYY)

Gender: ________________________

Parents/Guardian: ________________________________________________
(Father or Guardian / daytime phone number)

______________________________________________
(Mother or Guardian / daytime phone number)
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): ____________________________________

_________________________________________________________________________

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

Attachments:

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

- Initial Request for Nomination – Please submit your request for nomination through our website at https://fulcher.house.gov/service-academy-nominations.
- Application for Nomination – Return the completed Application for Nomination along with the principal and guidance counselor form.
- Resume – Provide a detailed listing of your academic, community service, extracurricular activities, athletic activities, job experiences and other notable accomplishments.
- Essay – Compose an essay of no more than 500 words, which provides insight into why you would be best suited to attend a Service Academy and why you would be a good candidate for admission.
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- Please make sure that you have your Official Transcripts 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, 2022**. 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.
United States Service Academy Nomination
Principal or Guidance Counselor Evaluation Form
U.S. Representative Russ Fulcher
To be completed by applicant's principal or guidance counselor

Name of applicant

First
Middle
Last

The person named above is applying to one or more of the United States Service Academies and you have been asked to provide a recommendation. The academies provide a college education leading to a career as an officer in the Armed Forces. Your recommendation will help me to select the best possible candidates. Note: The person completing this form must be the applicant's high school principal or guidance counselor. Please complete this form using additional paper if needed. Your recommendation will only be shared with the applicant upon his/her request. Your help is greatly appreciated.

1. What are the leadership characteristics of the applicant?

2. What are the personality traits of applicant for leadership (strengths and weaknesses)?

3. How does the applicant work under pressure?

4. How does the applicant get along with others?

GENERAL COMMENTS and/or RECOMMENDATIONS regarding applicant?

Please return the completed form in a sealed envelope with your name signed across the flap to the applicant for inclusion in his/her application packet. If you have any questions, please contact Tori Shockey at (208) 888-3188. Again, thank you for your help.

Name (signature): ____________________________ Date ______________________
Name (printed): _______________________________ Title: ______________________
Name of School: ______________________________ Telephone: __________________
Address: ______________________________________

Sincerely,

Russ Fulcher
MEMBER OF CONGRESS