



U. S. Congressman F. Allen Boyd, Jr.

***Service Academy Nomination
Application Packet
Class of 2013***

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Application Procedure

Attending one of the United States Service Academies is a distinct honor and an invaluable experience which can serve to lead a student down a path of success in life and to being a good citizen. Attending the Naval Academy at Annapolis, Air Force Academy, Military Academy at West Point, or Merchant Marine Academy usually requires a nomination from either a United States Representative or Senator. No nomination is required to attend the U.S. Coast Guard Academy.

Outline of Nomination and Appointment Processes

1. Applicants initiate the process by writing a letter of request for nominations to **Congressman Boyd's Tallahassee Office at 1650 Summit Lake Drive, Suite 103, Tallahassee, FL 32317. This letter may be submitted with your application.**

The following information must be included:

- Choice of Academy
- Name (as recorded on birth certificate)
- Social Security Number
- Permanent address (street, city, county, state, zip code)
- Phone numbers (home, office & cell) with area code & e-mail address
- Father's Full Name
- Mother's Full Name
- Date and place of birth
- Name and address of high school
- Date of graduation
- Extracurricular activities

Applicants should also explain in one 250-word essay (one page, double-spaced)

- Why they want to attend an Academy.
- Why they believe they will be successful at the Academy.
- Why the Congressman should nominate them.

2. Applicants must also initiate contact with the Service Academy or academies of their choices and proceed with the pre-candidate application processes as dictated by that Academy. Addresses for the academies are contained in this package.

3. The Congressional Office will send application packets to students upon request. **APPLICATION DEADLINE: To be considered, applications must be received by October 15, 2008.** Completed files must include the following:

- Completed Application for Nomination form and photograph.
- Official high school transcript.
- Minimum of three recommendations: one from a school official (principal or guidance counselor); one from an instructor (math or science suggested); and one of the applicant's choice of an employer, a community leader or a club sponsor.
- SAT and or ACT score reports, if available. The academy admissions officers suggest that applicants take both tests.
- Any additional materials students feel will support their applications.

4. The Academy Nomination Board will interview candidates in October or November. Applicants will be notified of interview time and place. Waivers will be granted only to those who have a military obligation or whose parents are stationed overseas on assignments.

5. Selected nominees will be notified by the end of the year, and then Congressman Boyd will submit his nominations to the Academies.

6. Academy Admissions Officers review nominees' applications and select appointments. Most appointments will have been made by early May.

It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that all materials are submitted on time. Those with incomplete files will be disqualified.

Students who attend one of the academies must serve five years of active duty following their graduation from the Academy.

TEST SCORE MINIMUMS FOR ENTERING STUDENTS

The Admissions Officers at the academies encourage students to begin taking tests in the junior year and take both the ACT and the SAT tests. Many students continue to take the tests until they have the scores that they desire. Each Academy Admissions Office has different standard ranges that it looks for each of these tests. If your test scores fall below the minimums, you may want to inquire about one of the academy preparatory schools. Remember 20 to 30 percent of each academy class does not enter an academy directly after graduating from high school. To have scores forwarded to our office directly from the testing center, please use the following codes: **S.A.T.-5476, A.C.T.-7322**. Many transcripts will include copies of your SAT or ACT scores. If so, this is sufficient and you need not send in separate score results, unless you have updated scores. Scores will be accepted after **October 15, 2008** deadline, provided prior arrangements have been made with this office.

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Application Schedule

August - October 2008 - Complete Packet

Candidates must complete application packet and return it to Congressman Allen Boyd's Tallahassee Office (1650 Summit Lake Dr., Suite 103, Tallahassee, FL 32317).

October 15, 2008- Deadline!

All required information for a completed application packet must be postmarked by this date. Please use sufficient postage. Applications sent to office locations other than the Tallahassee, Florida office may cause delays in processing.

October or November 2008- Interview

Qualified candidates are interviewed for approximately 20 minutes by Congressman Allen Boyd's Service Academy Nomination Board. Interviews are held in Tallahassee.

Mid-December 2008 - Notification

Congressman Allen Boyd submits nominations to the academies and notifies all interviewed candidates of nomination status by this date.

December 2008 - May 2009

Although some appointments are offered beyond May, the academies will make the majority of appointments between January and May.

Late June or Early July 2009

Appointed cadets/midshipmen are due at the U.S. Military Academies.

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Minimum Requirements

Note to Applicant: The completion of these requirements makes one eligible, but does not guarantee a nomination. Congressman Boyd will submit ten nominations to each academy and selection is competitive. If you have not yet started a pre-candidate file at the academy of your choice, do so immediately!

	Minimum Requirements	Minimum Scores	Avg. Scores at Academy
U. S. NAVAL ACADEMY			
Office of Admissions/Nominations 117 Decatur Road Annapolis, MD 21402-5018 Phone: 410/293-4361 www.usna.edu/Admissions	U.S. Citizen / Age 17-23 Unmarried / No Dependants Nomination CFA and DODMERB exams 5 yrs. Post-grad Active Duty	ACT: V-22 M-24 SAT: Verbal - 530 Math - 570	SAT: Verbal - 638 Math - 640
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U.S. AIR FORCE ACADEMY			
Director of Admissions 2304 Cadet Drive, Suite 200 USAF Academy, CO 80840-5025 Phone: 719/333-2520 www.academyadmissions.com	U.S. Citizen / Age 17-23 Unmarried / No Dependants Nomination CFT and DODMERB exams 5 yrs. Post-grad Active Duty 10 yrs. Rated Officers/Pilots & Navigators	ACT: V-24 M-25 SAT: Verbal - 580 Math - 560	SAT: Verbal - 640 Math - 660
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U.S. MILITARY ACADEMY			
Director of Admissions 646 Swift Road West Point, NY 10996-4041 Phone: 845/938-4041 www.usma.edu/admissions	U.S. Citizen / Age 17-23 Unmarried / No Dependants Nomination CFA and DODMERB exams 5 yrs. Post-grad Active Duty	ACT: V-23 M-24 SAT: Verbal - 560 Math - 560	SAT: Verbal - 630 Math - 647
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U.S. MERCHANT MARINE ACADEMY			
Admissions Office 300 Steamboat Road Kings Point, NY 11024-1699 Phone: 516/733-5391 www.usmma.edu	U.S. Citizen / Age 17-24 No Marriage Restriction Nomination / Congressional Only DODMERB exams 8 yrs. Post-grad Reserve Duty 5 yrs. Maritime industry 6 yrs. Post-grad Maintain License	ACT: V-21 M-24 SAT: Verbal - 510 Math - 560	SAT: Verbal - 590 Math - 620
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U.S. COAST GUARD ACADEMY			
Admissions Office 31 Mohegan Avenue New London, CT 06320 Phone: 860/444-8500	U.S. Citizen / Age: Check with Coast Guard Academy Unmarried / No Dependants NO NOMINATION REQUIRED DODMERB exam only	ACT: Check with Coast Guard Academy SAT: Verbal Math	SAT: Verbal Math

NOTE: Overall SAT and ACT scores must equal the sum of the minimum to qualify for an interview.

CFA - Candidate Fitness Assessment

CFT - Candidate Fitness Training

DODMERB - Department of Defense Medical Examination Review Board

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U.S. Service Academy Nomination Application Form

Please indicate the academy of your choice.

U.S. Naval Academy
 U.S. Military Academy

U.S. Air Force Academy
 U.S. Merchant Marine Academy

1. Personal Data:

Student's E-mail Address: _____

Name: _____ SS# _____

Perm. Florida Address: _____

Temp. Address: _____ Student's Cell# _____

Give date temp. address no longer applies: _____ Home Phone #(s) _____

Are you a U.S. Citizen? (Circle One) Y / N Date and Place of Birth: _____

Name of Parent(s) Father: _____ work/cell#: _____

Mother: _____ work/cell#: _____

Name of High School: _____ Date of Graduation: _____

2. Academic Data:

G.P.A. (weighted) _____ G.P.A. (Unweighted) _____

ACT Scores: E _____ M _____ R _____ Sc _____ SAT Scores: V _____ M _____

Class Rank: _____ of _____ (Top _____ %)

Currently attending: High School Jr. College 4-yr. College Prep School

If college, are you attending on a scholarship? If yes, explain: _____

3. Leadership Data:

Please check all applicable:

<input type="checkbox"/> Boy's/Girl's State or Nation	<input type="checkbox"/> Hours worked per week (after school) Employed?__
<input type="checkbox"/> Eagle Scout	<input type="checkbox"/> Hours worked per week (summer) Employed?__
<input type="checkbox"/> Boy Scout/Girl Scout	<input type="checkbox"/> Church Membership
<input type="checkbox"/> Key/Interact Club	<input type="checkbox"/> Civic Organizations
<input type="checkbox"/> National Honor Society	<input type="checkbox"/> Football _____ (years)
<input type="checkbox"/> President or Officer of Class/Student Council	<input type="checkbox"/> Baseball/Softball _____ (years)
<input type="checkbox"/> President or Officer of School Club	<input type="checkbox"/> Basketball _____ (years)
<input type="checkbox"/> Academic Honors Club	<input type="checkbox"/> Swimming _____ (years)
<input type="checkbox"/> School Band/Chorus	<input type="checkbox"/> Track/Cross Country _____ (years)
<input type="checkbox"/> School Newspaper/Yearbook Editor	<input type="checkbox"/> Volleyball _____ (years)
<input type="checkbox"/> Jr. ROTC Officer	<input type="checkbox"/> Wrestling _____ (years)
<input type="checkbox"/> Debate Club	<input type="checkbox"/> Other Sport _____ (years)
<input type="checkbox"/> Language	<input type="checkbox"/> Civil Air Patrol & Navy Sea Cadets

List any other _____

I am also seeking a nomination through the following office(s): Circle name(s)
President George W. Bush / Vice President Dick Cheney / Senator Mel Martinez / Senator Bill Nelson

4. Essay: Briefly state why you want to attend the academy of your choice.

Usually Outstanding Top 5%	Superior Top 15%	Excellent Top 1/3	Good Mid 1/3	Average Bot 1/3	Poor Bot 2%
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Intellectual
Ability

Ability to Work
With Others

Leadership
Qualities

Imagination
and Creativity

Motivation
Maturity

Overall
Character

7. Please comment on the ratings that you have assigned in item 6, and any additional statement about the applicant's record, potential, or personal qualities which you believe would be helpful in considering this person's application for one of the service academies. *(Do not hesitate to attach an additional sheet.)*

Recommender's Signature _____

Recommender's Name *(please print)* _____

Position or Title: _____ School or Firm: _____

Address: _____
Street
City
State
Zip

Please return this form in a sealed and signed envelope to the applicant as soon as possible. These forms are to be filled out by an academic individuals. Letters will be accepted from community friends (ministers, employers, family friend, scout leader, etc).

Nomination Sources for Florida Students

1. Senatorial - apply to both

U.S. Senator Bill Nelson

Attention: Service Academy Coordinator
225 East Robinson Street, Suite 410
Orlando, Florida 32801
Telephone: (407) 872-7161 or (888) 671-4091
Fax: (407) 872-7165
www.billnelson.senate.gov

U.S. Senator Mel Martinez

Attention: Service Academy Coordinator
315 East Robinson Street
Landmark Center 1, Suite 475
Orlando, FL 32801
Phone: (407) 254-2573
www.martinez.senate.gov

2. Congressional

District 2

U.S. Congressman Allen Boyd

1650 Summit Lake Drive, Suite 103
Tallahassee, Florida 32317
(850) 561-3979
www.house.gov/boyd

Deadline: October 15, 2008 (postmark deadline)

Contact Person: Edna H. Parker

3. Vice Presidential - for Naval, Air Force, and Military Academies only.

The Honorable Dick Cheney

Office of the Vice President
OEOP Room 591
Washington, D.C. 20501
(202) 456-2326

4. Presidential - contact any academy to learn about eligibility requirements for this special service-connected category.