



## Congressman Devin Nunes Academy Nomination Process

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To be considered for an appointment to a service academy, an applicant must have a nomination from an authorized nominating source. Title 10, U.S. Code Annotated establishes two nomination categories. The first, usually referred to as “congressional nominations,” includes the nominations of the Vice President and Members of the United States House of Representatives and Senate. The second, referred to as “service connected” or “military-affiliated” nominations, includes the selections of the President and nominations of the appropriate service. Appointment to an academy includes a four-year scholarship with a service obligation.

Each academy’s freshman class convenes in late June/early July. Therefore, high school students will be submitting their applications during the fall of their senior year and will enter the academy right after high school graduation. Students will be notified of their acceptance by April of the year they enter the academy.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Action</u>
November 15 <sup>th</sup>	Applications are due in Congressman Nunes’ Office
December	Academy Candidate Interviews
January 31 <sup>st</sup>	Candidates are notified of their nomination status
April	Academies notify applicants of their acceptance
June/July	Freshman academy classes convene

### Congressman Nunes’ Nomination Application Process

1. Contact Congressman Devin Nunes’ office and complete the “Intent to Seek Nomination Form.” This will allow Congressman Nunes’ office to keep you advised of upcoming events and deadlines.
2. Contact your academies of choice as soon as possible and begin the academy application process. Once your file is opened, the academies will begin to make an evaluation taking into consideration: Character, Leadership, Physical Aptitude, Medical Fitness and Motivation. Listed below are the four service academies that require a nomination.

**U.S. Air Force Academy**  
Colorado Springs, Colorado  
<http://www.academyadmissions.com>

**U.S. Military Academy**  
West Point, New York  
<http://www.usma.edu>

**U.S. Merchant Marine Academy**  
Kings Point, New York  
<http://www.usmma.edu>

**U.S. Naval Academy**  
Annapolis, Maryland  
<http://www.usna.edu>

3. Complete Congressman Nunes' "Academy Nomination Application." You are required to include with the application copies of high school transcripts, a brief essay, list of extracurricular activities, letters of reference, a photo, and SAT/ACT score verification. **The completed packet is due to Congressman Nunes' Visalia Office by November 15<sup>th</sup>.** *Late or incomplete applications will not be accepted.*
4. If qualified, an interview will be scheduled in December with Congressman Nunes' Academy Selection Committee. This committee is composed of military, academic, and community leaders.
5. Students will be notified as to whether or not a nomination will be given by January 31<sup>st</sup> of the entering class year.

### **General Nomination Admission Standards and Eligibility**

The following eligibility requirements must be met by each applicant as of July 1 of the year of admission to the service academy.

<b>Age</b>	Must be between the ages of 17 and 23 years old
<b>Citizenship</b>	Must be a United States citizen
<b>Marital Status</b>	Unmarried, not pregnant and have no legal obligation to support children or other dependents

A candidate's competitive standing is determined by his or her high school academic records, rank in class, SAT-I or ACT standardized test scores, recommendations, leadership development potential, interest in the maritime industry and the potential to develop into a competent officer. Required tests must be taken within 18 months of the application deadline. Candidates must also pass a medical exam set forth by the Department of Defense Medical Examination Review Board.

Further questions concerning the nomination process can be directed to Congressman Nunes' Academy Coordinator, Melissa Semoes at (559) 733-3861 or [Melissa.Semoes@mail.house.gov](mailto:Melissa.Semoes@mail.house.gov).

*Please note: A congressional nomination is not a guarantee of admission. The final decision to appoint will be made by the academy itself following the final review of your medical and academic qualifications by the Academy Admissions Board. The majority of appointments will be offered by the academies by April of the entering class year.*





➤ **Athletic participation (check all that apply and indicate number of years of High School participation):**

	# of Years		# of Years
<input type="checkbox"/> Baseball	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Basketball	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Football	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Soccer	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Swimming	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Track	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Wrestling	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Water Polo	_____

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate any leadership roles you assumed or were appointed to during your athletic participation (i.e. Team Captain Senior Year in Basketball):

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

➤ **Physical/Medical Information:**

Height: \_\_\_\_\_ Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ Eye Color: \_\_\_\_\_ Hair Color: \_\_\_\_\_

Any known physical challenges: \_\_\_\_\_

➤ **Please list your most recent work experience:**

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Duties: \_\_\_\_\_

Duration of Employment (i.e. 6/17 – 8/17): \_\_\_\_\_ Hours per week: \_\_\_\_\_

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*Attach additional pages if necessary*

➤ **Please attach a brief essay describing your character and leadership ability and why you would like to attend a U.S. Service Academy. (Maximum 1 page, single spaced, 12 pt font)**

➤ **In addition to the essay described above, please attach the following items with this application:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Recent Photo                                                                                                                                                                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> SAT and/or ACT score verification     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> High School Transcripts                                                                                                                                                                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Minimum of three letters of reference |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A list of extracurricular activities, awards received, honors, accomplishments, etc. (High School clubs, Boy Scouts, church activities, community involvement, volunteer roles, hobbies, etc.) |                                                                |

➤ **I affirm that the foregoing statements made and attached to this application are true and complete to the best of my knowledge, and understand that if I have not submitted all necessary data by the application deadline, I may not be given consideration for a nomination.**

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**Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

**APPLICATIONS ARE DUE NOVEMBER 15<sup>th</sup>**

**Please return application and supporting documents to Congressman Nunes' Visalia Office.  
If you have any questions please contact the Academy Coordinator at (559) 733-3861.**