

# United States Congressman David Kustoff

*Proudly Serving Tennessee's 8th District*

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## Application – U.S. Service Academy Nomination

Application Due Date: Must be postmarked by **Friday, October 29, 2021**

For class entering July 2022 (Class of 2026)

Please submit **COMPLETED** applications only.

*(Items 1-10 on U.S. Service Academy Nomination Instructions, page 4.)*

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Please rank the academies below with #1 being your first choice for a nomination. **Rank only those to which you have already applied and to which you will accept a nomination.** You will not be given a nomination without an open candidate file at the academy or academies, and it is your responsibility to ensure that you meet academy deadlines for application.

\_\_\_\_\_ Air Force Academy

\_\_\_\_\_ Merchant Marine Academy

\_\_\_\_\_ Military Academy

\_\_\_\_\_ Naval Academy

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To begin processing your application, please **print** the following information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**PERMANENT ADDRESS IN TENNESSEE:** \_\_\_\_\_

(Number and Street)

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

County of Legal Residence: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

**TEMPORARY ADDRESS/TELEPHONE (If Applicable):** \_\_\_\_\_

(Number and Street)

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender:            MALE            FEMALE

## **PARENT/GUARDIAN CONTACT INFORMATION:**

**Father's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Daytime Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mother's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Daytime Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_

## **HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION**

**Name of School:** \_\_\_\_\_

**School Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip Code:** \_\_\_\_\_

**School Telephone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Current Grade Level:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Expected Date of Graduation:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Have you attended college:**    **YES**    **NO**

If so, give date, school name, address, phone number and highest level obtained:

(If you have attended college, please attach additional information regarding your GPA, college transcript, extracurricular activities, and other pertinent information for consideration by the Academy Selection Committee.)

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

**Have you applied directly to each Academy in which you are interested in?**    **YES**    **NO**

**If yes, which one(s)?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Are you requesting a nomination from another source?**    **YES**    **NO**

**If yes, from what source?**    President \_\_\_\_\_    Vice President \_\_\_\_\_

**Military (Service):** \_\_\_\_\_    **Senator Blackburn** \_\_\_\_\_    **Senator Hagerty** \_\_\_\_\_

**Are you employed? If so, state job, location, hours per week and any extenuating circumstances:**

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## PRIVACY RELEASE STATEMENT

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In accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974, I give my personal authorization to Congressman David Kustoff and/or his staff representative, designated by him, to obtain the necessary information from my records for use in his academy selection procedures. By signing this application, I permit discussion of pertinent information with my school, my parent(s) and or/legal guardian(s), the academy, the Academy Selection Committee, and the news media. I also certify that I am legally domiciled in the Eighth District of Tennessee.

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Signature of Student

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Signature of parent/guardian if student is under 18

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(Date)

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(Date)

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## U.S. Service Academy Nomination Instructions

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**Only students eligible to enter an academy in the summer of 2022 should apply for a nomination at this time.**

1. Complete the enclosed application form.
2. Submit a one-page list of extracurricular activities, including athletics, leadership roles, honors and awards, employment, etc.
3. Have a guidance counselor or principal complete the appropriate form and return it along with a copy of your high school transcript.
4. Submit THREE letters of recommendation (in addition to guidance counselor/principal's form). Give each recommender an "Instructions for Recommendations" sheet.
5. Submit a recent photograph or school picture.
6. Submit a one-page personal statement on "Why I want to attend a U.S. Service Academy."
7. You may also attach a brief explanation of any extraordinary or unusual personal or family circumstances that the Academy Selection Committee should consider.
8. Only students eligible to enter an academy in the summer of 2019 should apply for a nomination at this time.
9. Apply separately for admission to each academy in which you are interested.
10. Please TYPE the list of extracurricular activities and personal statement.

### **RETURN COMPLETED APPLICATION TO:**

Congressman David Kustoff  
5900 Poplar Ave, Ste. 202  
Memphis, TN 38119

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## Recommendation Form

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### TO BE COMPLETED BY HIGH SCHOOL GUIDANCE COUNSELOR OR PRINCIPAL:

Please include a copy of the student's transcript.

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of School: \_\_\_\_\_

### APPLICANT'S ACADEMIC STANDING:

Numerical Junior Year Class Rank: \_\_\_\_\_ Out of: \_\_\_\_\_

Current GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

SAT Score: Verbal: Math: Writing:

ACT Score: (Composite): (E) \_\_\_\_\_ (M) \_\_\_\_\_ (R) \_\_\_\_\_ (SR) \_\_\_\_\_

GENERAL COMMENTS: Please discuss the applicant's overall fitness for US Service Academy admission and for a military career as an officer in the Armed Forces. The academies consider evidence of character, scholarship, leadership, physical aptitude (athletic ability), medical fitness, goals, and motivation in determining each applicant's "whole person" evaluation.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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## U.S. Service Academy Nomination: Instructions for Recommendations

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**NOTE TO CANDIDATE:** Please give a copy of this sheet to three people who agree to write a letter of recommendation for you.

**NOTE TO RECOMMENDER:** Please write a letter of recommendation on your letterhead or personal stationery (be sure to include a return address)

This student has expressed desire to attend a United States Service Academy, such as the Military Academy at West Point, Air Force Academy, U.S. Naval Academy, or the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy. Admission to these academies is extremely limited, highly competitive, and an appointment is an esteemed honor and achievement. After successfully completing a rigorous four-year program in one of these competitive schools and receiving a first-rate education, a successful graduate will be pledged to serve a term as an officer in the Armed Forces.

To apply to a service academy, an applicant must obtain a nomination from an authorized source, and this applicant has requested a nomination from Congressman David Kustoff, Representative of the Eighth District of Tennessee. Congressman Kustoff and his Academy Selection Committee would appreciate your thorough and honest evaluation of the applicant's fitness for a U.S. Service admission and ensuing a military career. The academies consider evidence of character, scholarship, leadership, physical aptitude (athletic ability), medical fitness, goals, and motivation in determining each applicant's "whole person" evaluation.

Thank you and we appreciate your assistance.

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Before a candidate can receive an offer of appointment to a service academy, the candidate must obtain a nomination from an authorized source. Congressman David Kustoff is honored that as a U.S. Congressman, he is able to submit nominations from his constituency. A student can also apply for nominations through U.S. Senators, the President and the Vice President. If a parent is presently on active duty and has served in the military for at least eight years or is retired, a student may apply for a presidential nomination through the military. Children of deceased or disabled veterans or children of Medal of Honor winners may apply for a nomination directly from the service academies.

Acceptance of an offer of appointment from an academy involves at least a nine-year obligation to military service – four years at the academy and five years of active duty service.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Each member of Congress may nominate only persons legally domiciled within the boundaries of his/her district. If you are unsure of your district of residence, contact your local election commission.

Each member of Congress may nominate as many as ten students per each allotted vacancy to the Air Force, Military and Naval Academies.

Each member of Congress may nominate statewide, ten persons to compete for an appointment to the Merchant Marine Academy.

Nominations are not required for the U.S. Coast Guard Academy. A student applies directly to the Academy.

## **ACADEMY ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:**

The Applicant **MUST**:

1. Be at least 17 years old but not have passed the 23rd birthday on July 1 of the year entering the academy (except the Merchant Marine Academy).
2. Be a U.S. Citizen.
3. Be unmarried, not pregnant and have no legal obligation to support children or other dependents (except for the Merchant Marine Academy).

## **NOMINATION PROCESS**

The Applicant **MUST**:

1. Apply for admission directly to each academy in which he/she is interested. The student must take the responsibility to contact the academy and complete a Pre-Candidate Questionnaire to begin the application process.
2. Complete an application package for Congressman David Kustoff's congressional nomination which this office provides.
3. Be interviewed by Congressman Kustoff's Academy Selection Committee.

## **GENERAL ACADEMY ADMISSIONS & NOMINATION STANDARDS**

The Applicant **MUST**:

1. Have evidence of good moral character
2. Have record of acceptable scholastic achievement
3. Have participated in extracurricular activities
4. Be physically fit
5. Be medically qualified
6. Be motivated to attend the academy and serve in the Armed Forces

### **TIMELINE FOR THE NOMINATION PROCESS**

Nomination applications are due on October 29, 2021 to Congressman Kustoff's Memphis office. Congressman Kustoff will then submit his nominations to the academies in January of 2022. Academies make all decisions on offers of appointment for admission during the spring of each year. Applicants will be notified of the academies' decision during this period. Final decision on admission rests with the academies. The new classes will enter in the summer.

If you have any questions or if you need additional information, please contact Congressman Kustoff's office at (731) 412-1037.

### **CONTACT THE ACADEMIES**

**Contact information for the Admissions Offices of the five U.S. Service Academies is listed below. Please contact the academy or academies if you are interested in applying to obtain admission information and to begin the admissions process. Include your full name, address, phone number, Social Security number, and expected year of graduation in your correspondence with these offices. Website information is also included.**

#### **U.S. AIR FORCE ACADEMY**

Admissions Office  
2304 Cadet Drive, Suite 210  
USAF Academy, CO 80840-5025  
Phone: (719) 333-3070  
Website: [www.usafa.edu](http://www.usafa.edu)

#### **U.S. MERCHANT MARINE ACADEMY**

Admissions Office  
300 Steamboat Road  
Kings Point, NY 11024-1699  
Phone: (866) 546-4778  
Website: [www.usmma.edu](http://www.usmma.edu)

#### **U.S. COAST GUARD ACADEMY**

Admissions Office 31  
Mohegan Avenue  
New London, CT 06320-8103  
Phone: (860) 444-8501  
Website: [www.cga.edu](http://www.cga.edu)

#### **U.S. NAVAL ACADEMY**

Admissions Office  
117 Decatur Road  
Annapolis, MD 31402-5019  
Phone: (401) 293-4361  
Website: [www.usna.edu](http://www.usna.edu)

#### **U.S. MILITARY ACADEMY**

Admissions Office  
606 Thayer Road  
West Point, NY 10996-1797  
Phone: (914) 938-4041  
Website: [www.usma.edu](http://www.usma.edu)