



## SERVICE ACADEMY NOMINATIONS

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**U.S. Representative Mo Brooks is proud to nominate a select group of candidates from the Fifth Congressional District to be considered for appointments to the:**

- **U.S. Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs, CO**
- **U.S. Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, NY**
  - **U.S. Military Academy at West Point, NY**
  - **U.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, MD**

Appointments to the U.S. Coast Guard Academy, New London, CT, do not require Congressional Nomination. Visit [www.uscga.edu](http://www.uscga.edu) for information.

### **CANDIDATE CRITERIA:**

- Applicant must live in the 5th Congressional District of Alabama.
- Applicant must meet all Academy requirements.
- Applicant must be at least 17 years old, and not have passed their 23rd birthday by July 1 of the year of entry to the Military, Naval or Air Force Academies and have not passed their 25th birthday for the Merchant Marine Academy.
- Applicant must be unmarried, not be pregnant, and have no legal obligation for support to children or other dependents.
- Applicant must be a United States Citizen by the Congressional Nomination application deadline date.

**For further information or to request an application packet for Congressional Nomination to a U.S. Military Service Academy contact Sandy Garvey, Special Projects Coordinator at:**

**OFFICE OF CONGRESSMAN MO BROOKS,  
2101 W. CLINTON AVENUE, SUITE 302,  
HUNTSVILLE, AL 35805  
(256) 551-0190 or [sandy.garvey@mail.house.gov](mailto:sandy.garvey@mail.house.gov)**

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLICATION FOR CONGRESSIONAL NOMINATION

***DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF DOCUMENTS: NOVEMBER 4, 2016***

Applicants for Congressional Nomination for the **Class of 2021** must submit the **CONGRESSIONAL NOMINATION FORM** and other **required documents** (see checklist) by **5:00 p.m. on Friday, November 4, 2016** to:

SERVICE ACADEMY NOMINATIONS  
OFFICE of CONGRESSMAN MO BROOKS (AL-05)  
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For further information or to request an application packet, please contact Sandy Garvey at the Huntsville district office at [sandy.garvey@mail.house.gov](mailto:sandy.garvey@mail.house.gov) or (256) 551-0190.

### **CANDIDATE INTERVIEWS:**

All required documents must be received **no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, November 4, 2016** to complete each applicant's file. Eligible applicants with a complete file will be scheduled for an interview. Interviews will be held in November. Applicants will be notified as to date/time of their interview.

### **NOMINATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS:**

A member of Congress may nominate up to ten applicants per vacancy and is not permitted to have more than five men or women in each academy at one time. Generally, a vacancy is created only by graduation. A nomination by Congressman Brooks does not guarantee an appointment to an academy.

Congressman Brooks has established a nominating board. The board will review applications, interview prospective candidates and make final selection of Alabama District 5 nominees to be submitted to the academies. Nominations are based on a "whole person" evaluation. Factors such as academic achievement, extracurricular activities, leadership skills, physical aptitude, character and motivation are taken into consideration and compared with other applicants. Nominations will be determined using the competitive method with all nominees submitted unranked to the academies, allowing equal opportunity for each candidate nominated from the district.

Some academies will begin to notify candidates of their admission status as early as January. All offers of appointment are generally sent out by May.

### **REMINDERS:**

- EACH ACADEMY HAS ITS OWN SELECTION PROCESS FOR ADMITTANCE. APPLICANTS MUST COMPLETE THE APPLICATION PROCESS FOR EACH ACADEMY THAT THEY ARE CONSIDERING ATTENDING.
- MEDICAL EXAMINATION: IT IS ADVISABLE THAT APPLICANTS SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE EXAMINATION REVIEW BOARD (DoDMERB) AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. MEDICAL SCHEDULING AND EVALUATION ARE TIME-CONSUMING PROCESSES AND MAY TAKE FROM SIX WEEKS TO FOUR MONTHS.
- TO BETTER THEIR CHANCES OF OBTAINING A NOMINATION, APPLICANTS MAY WISH TO APPLY TO EVERY NOMINATING SOURCE FOR WHICH THEY ARE ELEGIBLE. EVERYONE IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR A NOMINATION FROM THEIR U.S. REPRESENTATIVE, U.S. SENATORS AND THE VICE-PRESIDENT. (VISIT THEIR WEBSITES FOR DETAILS.) THERE ARE ALSO SERVICE CONNECTED NOMINATING SOURCES.

# CHECKLIST

Due Friday, November 4, 2016, 5:00 p.m.

**CONGRESSIONAL NOMINATION FORM**

Please **type or print legibly** and **sign**.

**TRANSCRIPTS**

Official transcripts from your most recent high school and, if applicable, college are required.

**SAT / ACT SCORES**

In order to be considered for a nomination, you must have taken the SAT/ACT prior to October 2016 in order to meet **our November 4, 2016 deadline**. However, your test scores can be updated up to the time of your interview before the nominating board if your score is higher on a later test. You must have official copies of your scores sent to Congressman Brooks' Huntsville office. SAT code is 1226; ACT code is 7215.

**RECOMMENDATION FORMS**

Three (3) completed personal recommendation forms in sealed and signed envelopes from adult non-family members (for example, teacher, counselor, employer, coach, clergy, community leader, scoutmaster) are required. Forms may be obtained at <http://brooks.house.gov/service-academy-nominations>. **It is your responsibility** to ensure that these forms are completed and returned to you in a timely manner and included in your packet.

**ESSAY**

A 150-200 word essay is required describing why you are interested in attending a service academy.

**RESUME**

Be sure to submit a current resume which includes extracurricular activities, leadership positions, academic and athletic accomplishments, and other relevant awards and distinctions.

**RECENT WALLET-SIZED PHOTO**

Please staple a photograph of yourself, no larger than 2.5" x 3", where indicated on the upper left-hand corner of the application.

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U.S. Representative Mo Brooks  
**CONGRESSIONAL  
NOMINATION  
FORM**

Please rank preferences for nomination considering only the academies *to which you have applied*.

\_\_\_\_\_ Air Force  
\_\_\_\_\_ Merchant Marine  
\_\_\_\_\_ Naval  
\_\_\_\_\_ West Point

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle

PERMANENT ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address

\_\_\_\_\_ City State Zip County

CELL PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_ PARENT CELL PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_

HIGH SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_ HOMETOWN NEWSPAPER: \_\_\_\_\_

GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ RANK IN CLASS: \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ students GRADUATION Mo/Yr: \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_

HIGHEST SAT SCORES: Reading \_\_\_\_\_ Math \_\_\_\_\_ Writing \_\_\_\_\_

HIGHEST ACT SCORES: English \_\_\_\_\_ Math \_\_\_\_\_ Reading \_\_\_\_\_ Science \_\_\_\_\_

I have also applied to the following sources for a nomination:

Senator Sessions  Senator Shelby  President  Vice-President  JROTC

An appointment to a service academy is based on a desire by the candidate to devote a lifetime of military service and implies recognition by the appointee of an obligation to the government to devote himself/herself to a military career. Are you interested in an appointment on that basis? \_\_\_Yes \_\_\_No

Is it okay to use your name in a press release after receiving a nomination or appointment? \_\_\_Yes \_\_\_No

I hereby state that I am a U.S. citizen and legal resident of the 5<sup>th</sup> Congressional District of Alabama and that the information contained in this application is correct. Additionally, I understand that I will not be considered for a nomination if my required documents are not received by the **November 4, 2016 deadline**.

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

You may also wish to attend our Academy Day (see announcement below), which is usually held on a Sunday afternoon in early fall. Academy Day is a unique opportunity for students and parents to meet with representatives of the U.S. Service Academies to discuss the application process, academy life, and career opportunities within the various branches of the military.

## *U.S. Representative Mo Brooks (AL-05)*

Proudly Announces

### “Academy Day 2016”



For all high school students in Alabama’s 5<sup>th</sup> Congressional District  
interested in a service academy appointment

**Date: TBD**

**Madison Academy Cafeteria  
325 Slaughter Road  
Madison, Alabama**

**MEET REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE FOLLOWING  
SERVICE ACADEMIES:**

**US Air Force  
US Coast Guard  
US Merchant Marine  
US Military  
US Naval**

**STUDENTS, PARENTS, GUIDANCE COUNSELORS, AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS  
ARE ALL WELCOME TO ATTEND**

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