

CONGRESSMAN CARLOS A. GIMENEZ

Serving Florida's 28th Congressional District

SERVICE ACADEMY NOMINATION APPLICATION PACKET

The U.S. Service Academies are among the most highly respected educational programs in the nation. To be admitted, a prospective applicant must meet stringent academic, physical, and medical requirements specified by public law. As a cadet or midshipman, you will receive a fully funded four-year college education. By law, graduates are appointed commissioned officers in their respective service branches and are required to serve at least five years on active duty (eight years for the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy, served within the maritime industry and U.S. Navy Reserve).

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I. APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Note to Applicant: You are being considered for a nomination to one or more of the service academies. You will only be evaluated for academies that you have explicitly designated as a preference on your application form. Additionally, you must meet the statutory minimum standards to be scheduled for an official interview.

- **Application Form:** Complete the provided application thoroughly and attach a recent, high-quality photograph in the designated space.
- **Recommendation Forms:** You are required to submit three recommendation forms: one from your high school counselor or principal, and two from individuals who know you well (math/science teachers, coaches, employers, or community leaders). They must return the forms in a sealed envelope signed across the back flap seal.
- **Transcripts:** Request an official copy of your high school and/or college transcripts featuring your complete course history, grades, cumulative G.P.A., and official class rank in a signed, sealed envelope.
- **Standardized Test Results:** Print and deliver your official SAT or ACT scores to our office via mail or in person. Transcripts including official scores are sufficient unless you are submitting updated scores.
- **Submission Deadline:** All completed application packets must be received by our South Florida District Office no later than **October 31st**. No materials or updated scores will be accepted after this date.

II. APPLICATION TIMELINE

DATE / WINDOW	PHASE & DESCRIPTION
Anytime	Packet Completion: Candidates complete all required forms, compile transcripts, and collect sealed recommendation letters.
October 31st	Strict Submission Deadline: All physical application packets must be successfully delivered to the South Florida Office by close of business.
November – December	Board Interviews: Qualified candidates will be contacted to schedule a formal 15-minute interview with Congressman Gimenez's Service Academy Selection Board.
Early January	Official Notification: Nominations are officially submitted to the academies, and candidates are notified of their status by mail shortly thereafter.

III. MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS & REQUIREMENTS

Completion of the baseline requirements renders an applicant eligible but does not guarantee a nomination. Selection remains highly competitive. If you have not yet initiated a candidate file with your chosen academies, you must do so immediately.

ACADEMY & CONTACT	GENERAL REQUIREMENTS	MINIMUM SCORES	AVERAGE SCORES
U.S. Naval Academy Office of Admissions 52 King George St. Annapolis, MD 21402 (410) 293-1858	U.S. Citizen Age 17-23 Unmarried No dependents Nomination Required PAE & DODMERB Exams 5-Year Active Duty Oblig.	SAT: V-520, M-600 ACT: E/R-25, M/ S-26 <i>(Highest taken)</i>	SAT: V-580, M-650 ACT: E/R-27, M/ S-30
U.S. Air Force Academy Office of Admissions 2304 Cadet Drive, Ste 2300 USAF Academy, CO 80840 1-800-443-9266	U.S. Citizen Age 17-23 Unmarried No dependents Nomination Required CFT & DODMERB Exams 5-Year Active Duty Oblig.	SAT: V-620, M-580 ACT: E/R-24, M/ S-25 <i>(Highest taken)</i>	SAT: V-567, M-659 ACT: E/R-28, M/ S-29
U.S. Military Academy Office of Admissions Building 606 West Point, NY 10996 (845) 938-4041	U.S. Citizen Age 17-23 Unmarried No dependents Nomination Required PAE & DODMERB Exams 5-Year Active Duty Oblig.	SAT: V-480, M-540 ACT: E/R-20, M/ S-23 <i>(Highest taken)</i>	SAT: V-561, M-646 ACT: E/R-27, M/ S-28
U.S. Merchant Marine Acad. Office of Admissions 300 Steamboat Road Kings Point, NY 11024 (516) 726-5644	U.S. Citizen Age 17-25 Unmarried No dependents Nomination Required PAE & DODMERB Exams 8-Year Post-Grad Oblig.	SAT: V-540, M-560 ACT: E/R-22, M/ S-24 <i>(Highest taken)</i>	SAT: V-600, M-600 ACT: E/R-27, M/ S-28
U.S. Coast Guard Academy Office of Admissions 31 Mohegan Avenue New London, CT 06320 1-800-883-8724	U.S. Citizen Age 17-22 Unmarried No dependents No Nomination Req'd DODMERB Exam Only 5-Year Active Duty Oblig.	SAT: V-630, M-650 ACT: E/R-25, M/ S-26 <i>(Highest taken)</i>	SAT: V-620, M-650 ACT Comp: 27

* **PAE:** Physical Aptitude Exam | **CFT:** Candidate Fitness Test | **DODMERB:** Department of Defense Medical Examination Review Board.

Scores are subject to statutory adjustment and annual fluctuations. For updated guidelines, check individual academy websites.

SERVICE ACADEMY NOMINATION APPLICATION FORM

Please indicate your academy preferences by ranking them 1 through 4. Do not rank any academy for which you have not actively opened an admissions file.

_____ U.S. Naval Academy

_____ U.S. Air Force Academy

_____ U.S. Military Academy

_____ U.S. Merchant Marine Academy

I. Personal Data

Full Legal

Name:

SSN:

Home

Address:

Mailing

Address:

Home Phone:

Mobile:

Email

Address:

U.S.
Citizen? Yes / No

DOB & Place:

Guardians/

Parents:

II. Academic Data

High School Name:

Graduation Date:

GPA (Weighted / Unw.):

Class Rank:

_____ of _____ (Top _____ %)

ACT Scores: E: ____ M: ____ R: ____ SC: ____

SAT Scores: V: ____ M: ____ W: ____

Attach Photo Here

Currently**Attending:**

☐ High School ☐ Junior College ☐ 4-Year University ☐ Prep School

College**Scholarship?**

III. Leadership & Extracurricular Data

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| ☐ Football / Soccer (Yrs: __) | ☐ Eagle Scout / Girl Scout Gold | ☐ National Honor Society |
| ☐ Baseball / Softball (Yrs: __) | ☐ Boys' / Girls' State or Nation | ☐ Student Council / Class Officer |
| ☐ Basketball (Yrs: __) | ☐ School Newspaper / Yearbook Editor | ☐ Officer of School Club |
| ☐ Track / Cross Country (Yrs: __) | ☐ JROTC Member (Rank: _____) | ☐ Civil Air Patrol / Sea Cadets |
| ☐ Swimming / Tennis (Yrs: __) | ☐ Debate / Forensics Club | ☐ Academic Honors Club |
| ☐ Volleyball / Wrestling (Yrs: __) | ☐ Key Club / Service Organization | ☐ School Band / Chorus |

Afterschool Work Hrs/Wk:**Summer Work Hrs/Wk:****Other Activities / Honors:****IV. Short Essay Requirement & Certification**

Briefly state your core motivations for seeking an appointment to a United States Service Academy (or attach a formal 1-page statement). I certify that I am a citizen of the United States and a legal resident of Florida's 28th Congressional District. All information provided in this packet is complete and true. I understand that my completed file must be delivered to Congressman Gimenez's South Florida Office on or before October 31st to be considered.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Return packet to: **Office of Congressman Carlos A. Gimenez**
ATTN: Service Academy Nominations | 14221 SW 120th Street, Suite #115, Miami, FL 33186

CONGRESSMAN CARLOS A. GIMENEZ

Service Academy Nomination Recommendation Form

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATE: You are required to submit three recommendation forms: (1) from your high school counselor or principal, and (2) two from teachers, coaches, employers, or community leaders who know you well. Provide this form to your recommender and collect it from them in a sealed envelope signed across the back flap seal.

Applicant Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

INSTRUCTIONS TO RECOMMENDER: Your candid assessment of this candidate's character, leadership qualities, and intellectual fortitude is highly valuable to our Selection Board. Please complete this form, seal it in an envelope, sign your name across the back flap seal, and return it to the candidate unopened.

Evaluation Queries

1. How long have you known the applicant, and in what specific capacity?

2. What do you consider to be the applicant's primary talents, strengths, or leadership traits?

3. What areas do you believe represent the applicant's primary areas for growth or weakness?

4. Do you know of any unique circumstances or conditions that might impact their performance?

Recommender Signature & Title

Organization / Date