

FACT SHEET FOR U.S. SERVICE ACADEMY NOMINATION CANDIDATES

Congressman Glenn Grothman – Wisconsin’s 6th Congressional District

Members of Congress are asked to nominate candidates to the four U.S. Service Academies each year. The number of vacancies for each Congressional district is determined by law. A slate comprising of up to ten candidates may be nominated for each available vacancy at the [U.S. Naval Academy](#) (Annapolis, MD), the [U.S. Military Academy](#) (West Point, NY), and the [U.S. Air Force Academy](#) (Colorado Springs, CO). Members of Congress may nominate up to ten candidates each year to the [U.S. Merchant Marine Academy](#) (Kings Point, NY). It is possible that more than one nominee from each slate may receive offers of appointment.

You may apply for nominations to more than one U.S. Service Academy, and you will be asked to rank in order of preference on your application the U.S. Service Academies that you are interested in attending.

Nomination applicants must be citizens of the United States and residents of Wisconsin’s 6th Congressional District, at least 17 years of age (but have not passed their 23rd birthday on July 1st of the year of entry), unmarried, not pregnant, and have no legal obligation to support children or other dependents.

Each U.S. Service Academy requires candidates to complete and submit an online preliminary application/pre-candidate questionnaire via each Service Academy’s admission website (see links below), which is the first step in the admissions process. Requests for nominations will NOT be considered in the absence of an established Service Academy candidate file.

- U.S. Naval Academy Admissions: <https://www.usna.edu/Admissions/>
- U.S. Military Academy Admissions: <https://www.usma.edu/admissions>
- U.S. Air Force Academy Admissions: <https://www.academyadmissions.com/admissions/>
- U.S. Merchant Marine Academy Admissions: <https://www.usmma.edu/admissions>

The U.S. Service Academies require a thorough medical examination as part of the admissions process. Applicants with less than perfect vision may be ineligible or need a waiver depending on the Service Academy. Few “eye waivers” are approved, so even superior candidates may be rejected for this reason. Please consult each Service Academy’s catalog or website for its requirements.

Your ACT and/or SAT test scores are an important part of your application. If you have not already taken one of these standardized college entrance exams, you should arrange to take the ACT and/or SAT test as early as possible. Your high school guidance counselor can provide registration information. It is recommended that you have your test scores sent directly to my office by listing my college code number (**ACT: 7759** and **SAT: 1684**) on the test form.

To objectively select the most qualified nominees for each vacancy, a Commission of distinguished residents of the 6th District meets once a year to review nomination applications, conduct personal interviews with applicants, and nominate students for appointment to the various U.S. Service Academies, based on the applicant’s high school record, ACT and/or SAT scores, extracurricular activities, letters of recommendation, and essay responses. Nominees will be announced in late November.

Schedule for Applicants applying to enter the U.S. Service Academies in 2020 (Class of 2025)

Now	Request nomination application from Congressman Grothman - Submit online preliminary application/pre-candidate questionnaire for each Service Academy - Register to take ACT and/or SAT test
October 9, 2020	Deadline to submit your application to my office
November 7, 2020	Nomination Advisory Board conducts interviews to select nominees
Late November 2020	Nominees are notified
Spring 2021	Service Academies complete admissions process and offer appointments
Summer 2021	Classes begin