

SENATOR JOHN CORNYN
2004-2005 Application for Nomination to a U.S. Service Academy
Check List

Send the items below to my Dallas office, postmarked by October 15, 2004. All items must be postmarked by the deadline to consider an application complete. If you would like verification of delivery, please request a return receipt from the Post Office.

- Application form completed and signed by applicant. Must be typed or legibly written.
- Personal Questionnaire and Essay completed and thoroughly answered. Due to the volume of applicants, I am not able to conduct personal interviews. This questionnaire, along with the information provided on the application, is your best opportunity to illustrate your strengths and character.
- Personal Recommendation Forms (3) completed by counselors, principals, teachers, religious leaders (i.e. priests, rabbis, and ministers), coaches, or community leaders. **You are required to return three (3) Personal Recommendation Forms postmarked by the deadline.** Letters of recommendations are not required but if they are sent, they MUST be accompanied by a completed personal recommendation form. **NOTE:** Recommendation forms are usually one of the chief causes of delays in completing an application packet. **Start this process now.**
- Official copy of your high school transcript including courses currently in progress, GPA through junior year, and class rank. If you would like provide your transcript from your senior year, you may send it as an update as long as your application is complete by October 15, 2004.
- Official copy of your college transcript (if applicable) including courses currently in progress and GPA.
- Current photograph (wallet size) with your **name** and **hometown** written on the back.
- Copy of your official SAT or ACT scores/report, if it they are not sent directly from the college boards. **NOTE:** Test scores must be postmarked by October 15, 2004. Carefully consider the dates that you are taking tests; if you wait until September or October, your scores may not arrive on time. Some upcoming SAT and ACT national testing dates and suggestions for the latest possible testing dates can be found on the accompanying page. My test codes are:

SAT: 6263 ACT: 7185

Deadline for postmarking application items is October 15, 2004.

Plan for mail delays and send your documents in EARLY to:

Senator John Cornyn
5005 LBJ Freeway, Suite 1150
Dallas, Texas 75244

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SAT and ACT TESTING DATES

Standardized test scores are one of the most important elements of your application. In order for your application to be considered complete, you must either send an official copy of your scores or have the testing centers send your scores, using my codes, by **October 15, 2004**. To ensure you meet the deadline, I suggest taking one or both of the tests on the following dates:

SAT

May 1, 2004

June 5, 2004

October 9, 2004*

ACT

April 3, 2004

June 12, 2004

September 25, 2004

***Note:** All test scores must be postmarked by October 15, 2004. Choose your testing dates accordingly.

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Service Academy Information

If you haven't already done so, you should open a pre-candidate file with the service academies. To obtain catalogs and other specific information on the academies, contact them directly:

Remember you should apply for a nomination with **both** of your U. S. Senators and your U. S. Representative.

U.S. Air Force Academy
Admissions Office
Colorado Springs, CO 80840-5651
(800) 443-9266
www.usafa.edu

U.S. Naval Academy
USNA Admissions Office
117 Decatur Road
Annapolis, MD 21402-5018
(800) 822-2769
www.usna.edu

U.S. Merchant Marine Academy
Admissions Office
Kings Point, NY 11024-1699
(800) 732-6267
www.usmma.edu

U.S. Military Academy
Admissions Office
606 Thayer Road
West Point, NY 10996-1797
(800) 822-2769
www.usma.edu

** Congressional nominations are no longer required or submitted for the United States Coast Guard Academy (USCGA). If you are interested in attending the Coast Guard Academy, contact the academy directly.

United States Coast Guard Academy
Admissions Office
New London, CT 06320-4195
(203) 444-8501
www.uscga.edu

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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT LEGIBLY

1. Full Name _____

Last First Middle (Name go by)

2. Current Mailing Address _____

Street / P.O. Box

City State Zip

3. Are you the dependent of an active or retired member of the United States Military? _____

4. Domicile in Texas _____

**Note: Service Academies
require that you list the
street address of your
legal residence in Texas**

Street Address

City State Zip

5. Home Telephone # _____ **Alternate Telephone #** _____

6. a) Social Security # -- -- **b) Are you a U.S. citizen?** _____ **c) Male Female**

d) Date of birth / /

7. Name of parent(s) or legal guardian(s) _____

8. High School:

School name

Street City State

School Phone # Counselor's Name

9. Expected Date of Graduation / /

High School G.P.A. _____

Please have your guidance counselor convert your GPA to the 4.0 system.

10. Class standing _____ **Out of** _____

SAT SCORE: MATH _____ **VERBAL** _____ **COMPOSITE** _____

ACT SCORE: MATH _____ **ENG** _____ **READING** _____ **SCIENCE REASONING** _____

COMPOSITE SCORE

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11. I am also applying for a nomination from: _____
 (Elected officials)

12. Indicate Academy Preference with 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th choices.
 (Note: My selection board depends heavily on your ranking of academy preference. Please consider carefully. If you have no preference, please indicate in the appropriate blank. If you only prefer one or two of the academies, please indicate clearly.)

U.S. Military Academy _____

U.S. Naval Academy _____

U.S. Air Force Academy _____

U.S. Merchant Marine Academy _____

No Preference _____

13. On a separate page, briefly describe your involvement in the listed categories. Include information relative to leadership positions (i.e. offices, awards, and honors). Also show dates of involvement in each activity. If you already have an updated resume, feel free to include it to complete this section.

INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES
COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT, VOLUNTEER and/or JOB EXPERIENCE
OTHER ACTIVITIES YOU CONSIDER IMPORTANT
AWARDS AND HONORS

Please read before signing. If you do not include your signature, your application will not be considered:

It is my sincere desire to attend a U.S. Service Academy, and I fully intend to vigorously pursue an academic course of study if appointed. I understand that attending a service academy also requires a minimum of five years military service following graduation. I am a U.S. Citizen, or will be by **July 1, 2005**; I will be at least 17 years old, but not yet 23 years of age on **July 1, 2005**; I am not married; I am not pregnant; I have no child support obligation; and I am a legal resident of the State of Texas.

I certify that the information I have provided for this application packet is accurate. **Additionally, I understand that I will not be considered for an academy nomination if the required documents are incomplete or are not received by October 15, 2004.**

Signature _____ Date / / _____

Send Completed Application Packet by October 15, 2004 to:
Senator John Cornyn
Occidental Tower
5005 LBJ Freeway, Suite 1150
Dallas, Texas 75244-6199
972-239-1310

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Personal Recommendation Form

To be completed by a teacher, school counselor/principal, religious leader, community leader, or employer.

Note to Applicant: You must turn in three Personal Recommendation Forms by October 15th, 2004, or your application will not be considered complete. Additional forms or letters are welcome.

 Name of Applicant (Last/First/Middle)

To the Recommender: The person named above is applying for nomination to a United States Service Academy. The academies provide a college education and training for students to become commissioned officers in the Armed Forces following graduation. The questions below are designed to provide the information necessary to select the best qualified candidates. By law, all admissions materials must be shown to a student upon request. **Each student must submit three personal evaluation forms along with a complete application packet by October 15, 2004; failure to return this form to the student by that date will jeopardize the student's application.** PLEASE ANSWER THE SPECIFIC QUESTIONS ASKED ON THIS FORM. Use additional pages if necessary. You are welcome to submit a separate letter of recommendation, but that letter will not help the applicant complete his/her file unless it is accompanied by this form.

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

2. Describe the applicant's talents, strengths, and leadership ability.

3. How could this applicant improve in order to rise to the challenges presented by a U. S. service academy?

4. Do you believe the applicant plans to pursue military service as a career? Does he/she truly understand the commitments and obligations that accompany a service academy education?

5. How does the applicant handle stressful/challenging situations? Has the applicant encountered failure and how did he/she manage the situation?

6. Do you know of any personal circumstances that might affect the applicant's performance at the academy?

7. Please select the statement that best applies to this applicant:

_____ The best; students like this
 appear once in several years.

_____ Excellent, among the best I have known

_____ Very good, stands out in peer group

_____ Above average

To the recommender: Please give this completed form, along with any additional pages or letters, sealed in an envelope and signed across the flap, to the applicant for inclusion in the application packet. Thank you.

Name (signature) _____

Date _____ / _____ / _____

Name (printed) _____ Title _____

Address _____ / _____
 (Work or Home)

Street/ PO Box

City

State Zip