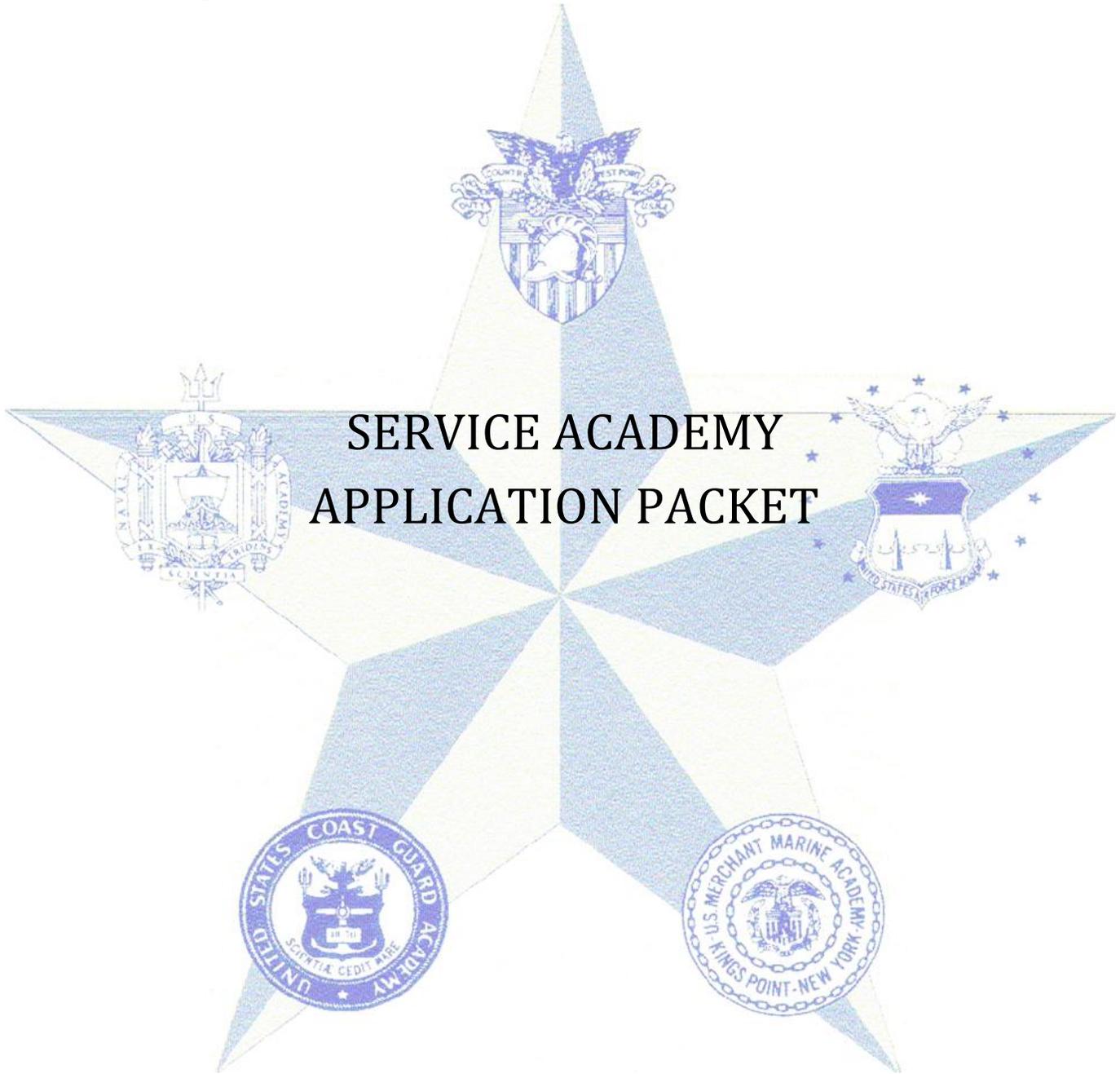


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SERVICE ACADEMY APPLICATION PACKET

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(614) 523-2555

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Service Academy Application

Candidate seeking nomination to (please rank):

- United States Air Force Academy United States Naval Academy
 United States Military Academy United States Merchant Marine Academy

FIRST NAME _____ LAST NAME _____

PERMANENT ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ ZIP _____ COUNTY _____

PHONE _____ ALTERNATE PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

BIRTH DATE _____ HIGH SCHOOL _____

PRINCIPAL _____ GUIDANCE COUNSELOR _____

GPA _____ CLASS RANK _____ OF _____ STUDENTS/GRADUATION DATE _____

ARE YOU REAPPLYING? _____ (IF YES, CURRENT SCHOOL) _____

SPECIAL HONORS AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES (attach resume) _____

MOTHER'S NAME _____ LIVING DECEASED

FATHER'S NAME _____ LIVING DECEASED

PARENTS ADDRESS _____

HAVE YOU SUBMITTED OTHER APPLICATIONS (YES/NO): _____

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Application Procedure

1. **Application Form** – Complete application form
2. **Essay** – Write a one-to-two-page essay explaining your desire to serve as an officer in the military, your goals, the genesis of your desire to serve, and the most difficult challenge you will need to overcome.
3. **Recommendations** – Submit **three** letters of recommendation from: teachers, coaches, employers, and people you are personally acquainted with but not related. One must be from an educator. Additional letters are welcome and will be included with your file.
4. **Transcript** – attach a copy of your official HS transcript which includes course listings, grades, current GPA. If you are currently in college, please also include your most recent transcript/schedule.
5. **Standardized Test Results** – printed from official ACT/SAT website or on HS transcript. Our office will super score. Please include all test results.
6. **DEADLINE:** Send the complete application to my Pickerington office at: **12931 Stonecreek Drive, Pickerington, Ohio 43147** or email it to: Suzanne.cox@mail.house.gov. The completed application packet must be received by my office by close of business **October 30, 2026**. Once my office receives all required information, you will be notified that your file is complete.
7. **Interview** – Interviews will be conducted in-person unless otherwise indicated on weeknights in November.

If you have any questions, please contact my Academy Coordinator at:
614-523-2555 or email: Suzanne.cox@mail.house.gov.

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Application Schedule

March – October 2026 – COMPLETE PACKET

Candidates must submit the complete application packet to my Pickerington office. The address is 12931 Stonecreek Drive, Pickerington, Ohio 43147 or via email: Suzanne.cox@mail.house.gov.

Friday, October 30, 2026 – DEADLINE

All required information for a complete application packet must be physically received in the office by close of business on Friday, October 30, 2026.

November 2026 – INTERVIEWS

Candidates chosen for an interview will be notified by e-mail. Interviews are approximately 20 minutes long and are presided over by Congressman Balderson's Service Academy Review Board. Dates will be announced in the fall. If you know of a preexisting conflict in November, please notify my office when you submit the application.

December 2026 – NOMINATIONS ANNOUNCED

Congressman Balderson notifies interviewed candidates and submits nominations to the academies.

January – May 2027 – APPOINTMENTS ANNOUNCED

Appointed candidates will be notified. Although some appointments are offered beyond May, the academies will make the majority of appointments between January and May.

June 2027

Appointed cadets/midshipmen report to the academy.

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Academy Contacts

United States Air Force Academy

Director of Admissions
HQ USAF/RRS
2304 Cadet Drive, Suite 200
USAF Academy, Colorado 80840-5025
1-800-443-9266
www.academyadmissions.com

United States Coast Guard Academy

Director of Admissions
U.S. Coast Guard Academy
New London, Connecticut 06320-9819
1-800-883-8724
www.cga.edu/uscga.htm

United States Merchant Marine Academy

Director of Admissions
U.S. Merchant Marine Academy
Kings Point, New York 11204-1699
1-800-732-6267
www.usmma.edu/

United States Military Academy

Admissions Office
United States Military Academy
Building 606 Thayer Road
West Point, New York 10996-1797
(845) 938-4041
www.usma.edu/admissions/

United States Naval Academy

Candidate Guidance Office
U.S. Naval Academy
117 Decatur Road
Annapolis, Maryland 21402-5018
(410) 293-4361
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