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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives

TRACEY MANN
1ST DISTRICT, KANSAS

June 2026

Dear Candidate,

Each year, I am honored to nominate brave young Americans from the Big First District to four of the five U.S. Service Academies. Thank you for your willingness to answer the call to serve your nation. It is your love of country and sense of duty that make me believe that our brightest days are yet to come.

I wish you all the best as you begin this process and look forward to reviewing your application and accomplishments.

Yours in service,



Tracey Mann
Member of Congress

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U.S. SERVICE ACADEMY NOMINATIONS OVERVIEW

The honor of attending a United States Service Academy comes with a commitment to serve in the Armed Forces for a minimum of five years upon graduation.

There are five service academies:

U.S. Military Academy (<https://ww.usma.edu>) at West Point, New York

U.S. Naval Academy (<https://www.usna.edu>) at Annapolis, Maryland

U.S. Air Force Academy (<https://www.usafa.af.mil>) at Colorado Springs, Colorado

U.S. Merchant Marine Academy (<https://usmma.edu>) at Kings Point, New York

U.S. Coast Guard Academy (<https://www.cga.edu>) at New London, Connecticut

Appointments:

Members of Congress may nominate candidates for appointments to four of the five U.S. Service Academies: U.S. Military Academy (USMA); the U.S. Naval Academy (USNA); the U.S. Air Force Academy (USAFA); and the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy (USMMA). The fifth service academy, the U.S. Coast Guard Academy (USCGA) does not require a congressional nomination for appointment.

For assistance or more information on the application process, please call (785) 370-7277.

Best wishes as you pursue your goal of attending one of the U.S. Service Academies and serving our country.



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NOMINATION APPLICATION REQUIRED INFORMATION CHECK LIST

- U.S. Representative Tracey Mann's signed Academy Nomination Application
- Short statement/essay (250-500 words) expressing why you desire to attend the academy or academies of your choice
- Resume/detailed list of your work, school, church, civic activities, and special honors
- Complete transcript of your grades through your last semester
- ACT or SAT scores
- Letters of recommendation from three people (please submit signed letters on official letterhead; one letter must be from your high school counselor with the High School Counselor Worksheet)
- Recent photograph in color suitable for the Academy Selection Committee and for any potential future press releases from Representative Mann
- Affidavit of legal permanent residence signed by parents or guardians, and Notary Public
- Copy of this checklist

You are required to directly apply to the U.S. Service Academies. You are encouraged to apply to all academies you desire to attend. Check all academies applied for:

- U.S. Air Force Academy
- U.S. Naval Academy
- U.S. Military Academy
- U.S. Merchant Marine

There are no congressional nominations to the Coast Guard Academy. If interested, contact the Director of Admissions, U.S. Coast Guard Academy, New London, CT 06320.

Note: Applications are due to Representative Tracey Mann's office by **5:00 PM CT on Wednesday, September 30, 2026**. All applicants are required to appear before a selection committee on Friday, October 23, 2026, in Abilene, Kansas. Once your application file is submitted, you will be notified of the date and time of your interview.



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APPLICATION FOR U.S. SERVICE ACADEMY NOMINATION

Name: _____
First Middle Last Nickname

Permanent Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ **Social Security Number:** _____

E-Mail Address: _____ **Date of Birth:** _____

ACADEMY PREFERENCE (Military, Naval, Air Force, Merchant Marine)

- (1) _____
- (2) _____
- (3) _____
- (4) _____

High School Attended/Graduation Date: _____

High School Address: _____

High School Phone Number: _____

Class Size: _____ **Class Rank:** _____

ACT Scores: Math _____ English _____ Reading _____ Science _____ Composite _____

SAT Scores: Math _____ Reading/Writing _____ Composite _____

Are you now attending college? (Y/N) _____ If yes, where? _____



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NAME OF PARENTS:

Mother: _____

Occupation _____

Father: _____

Occupation _____

Parent Address(es): _____

Have you submitted an application to either of Kansas's U.S. Senators? (Y/N)

If yes, to whom? _____

Name of hometown paper _____

Do you consent to using your name, parent/guardian names and high school in a press release? (Y/N)



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APPLICATION AGREEMENT

Please read the following. Your signature indicates your agreement with the following. If you do not include your signature, your application will not be considered for nomination.

It is my desire to attend a U.S. Service Academy and I intend to pursue an academic course of study if appointed. I understand that attending a Service Academy requires a minimum of five years of service upon graduation and I am committed wholly to this responsibility. I am a U.S. citizen or will be by July 1 of the year I attend the academy. I am not married. I am not pregnant, nor do I have any child support obligations. I am a legal State of Kansas resident.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Print and mail or email to:
Representative Tracey Mann
Attn: Academy Nominations
317 Houston Street, Suite A
Manhattan, KS 66502
E-Mail: tel.wittmer@mail.house.gov
Phone: 785-370-7277



HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELOR WORKSHEET

To be completed by high school counselor

Name of School: _____

High School Address: _____

Name of Student: _____

School Phone Number: _____

Class Rank (most recent, including class total): _____ **GPA:** _____

ACT or SAT Scores: _____

Print Counselor's Name _____

Counselor's Signature _____

This information is being requested in connection with the above student's interest in obtaining a nomination to a U.S. Service Academy. Your assistance is most appreciated.

**Please attach your letter of recommendation for the student, a copy of the most recent transcript, and any ACT or SAT scores. The student will submit this worksheet and any attachments together with his complete application packet.



**APPLICATION FOR U.S. SERVICE ACADEMY NOMINATION
AFFIDAVIT OF LEGAL PERMANENT RESIDENCE**

To be completed by applicant's parent(s)/guardian(s) in the presence of a Notary Public

I/We, _____ (and _____), Parents
Name of Guardian *Name of Guardian*

and Legal Guardians of _____ upon oath state as follows:
Name of Applicant

Please check and complete any applicable statements

- That I / we claim _____ County, Kansas as our sole and exclusive legal residence and have done so since _____.
- That I/we are registered voters in the aforementioned city and county and voted in elections in the following years: _____.
- That I/we have filed a Kansas Resident Income Tax Return for the following years: _____
- That I/we have paid real estate / property taxes in said county for the following years: _____

I/We, _____ (and _____), state and affirm upon oath that the forgoing affidavit is true and correct to the best of our knowledge.

Signature

Signature

For Notary
State Of: _____

County Of: _____

Signed and sworn to before on _____ by _____

K.S.A 53-509

Seal:

Notary Public

My appointment expires: _____

Title and Rank