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House of Representatives

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ROUND ROCK, TX 78664
(512) 246-1600

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TEMPLE, TX 76502
(254) 933-1392

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for contacting Congressman John Carter's office requesting a nomination to one of the U.S. service academies for the classes entering in the summer of 2012.

Please complete the enclosed application form and return it to Congressman Carter's office, 1717 N. IH-35, Suite 303, Round Rock, Texas 78664. In addition, submit the following data to the same address **no later than October 17, 2011.**

- High school transcript and college data (if applicable)
- Three letters of recommendation
- Essay on why you want to attend a service academy
- List of your extracurricular activities
- Two recent color photographs (billfold size head shot such as school photo or passport picture)
- SAT/ACT scores report. **This report is in addition to the scores on your transcript.** If you will indicate code number 4139 on the SAT test, the testing institute will forward the scores directly to us. Use code 7712 for the ACT.

You will be contacted at a later date concerning an appointment for an interview with our academy selection board. **To be considered for an interview, you must have completed and mailed your file by October 17, 2011.** Tentatively, the interviews are scheduled to be held on November 5th. All academies require that nominations be sent to them by January of the entering year. Congressman Carter will notify his nominees by the end of December.

You should also request a nomination from Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison, Senator John Cornyn and Vice-President Dick Cheney. I have enclosed their addresses.

It is important that you start an admissions file at each academy in which you are interested. If you have not done so, please go to the academy websites, which are also enclosed with this letter, and fill out the preliminary application on-line.

We recommend that you open a file at more than one academy. There is a place to rank your choice on the application. You can change your ranking order anytime up to the interview. The reason for this is that if the Board is unable to give you a nomination to your first choice academy, they might be able to give you a nomination to your second choice.

It is equally important that you keep all of your nominating sources and the academies in which you are interested apprised of any changes in your status (such as higher SAT scores, additional honors & activities, change of address or phone number).

If you have any questions about application procedures, please check with your high school counselor, telephone me in our Round Rock office at 512-246-1600 or contact the appropriate academy. I can also be reached through my e-mail at nancy.madsen@mail.house.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nancy Madsen". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Nancy Madsen
Service Academy Liaison

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CONGRESSMAN JOHN R. CARTER
DISTRICT 31 TEXAS
Information Sheet

Prospective nominees from the 31st Congressional District may apply to the following sources for congressional nominations:

Vice President Joe Biden
Eisenhower Executive Office Bldg. www.whitehouse.gov/vicepresident
Attn: Military Academy Nominations
Washington, DC 20501

Senator John Cornyn Academy Nomination Coordinator
221 West 6th St., Suite 1530 (512) 469-6034
Austin, Texas 78701 www.cornyn.senate.gov

Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison (512) 916-5834
961 Federal Bldg., 300 East 8th St. www.hutchison.senate.gov
Austin, Texas 78701

SERVICE-AFFILIATED NOMINATIONS

The President of the United States may select for appointment to the service academies children of members of an armed force who are currently on active duty or were retired from active duty. The President may also appoint the children of Medal of Honor winners. Applicants should contact the appropriate service academies for a nomination.

The Secretary of the appropriate service may nominate for appointment enlisted members of the regular and reserve components of the appropriate service, member of the service's own Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) and Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC) programs of the other services which have been designated as Honor Unit with Distinction. Applicants should contact their commanding officer for information.

SAT/ACT College Boards

Please take the College Board early in the application process. This will allow you time to retake the test should you wish to raise your scores to be more competitive. The Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) and the American College Test (ACT) scheduled test dates for 2011-2012 are listed on their respective web sites.

You should contact the Admissions Office of each academy to request a pre-candidate questionnaire or go to their web site and fill out the on-line application. The address and web sites are listed below for your convenience.

U.S. Air Force Academy:
(USAFA)

Admissions Office, HQ USAFA/RRS
2304 Cadet Dr., Suite 200
USAF Academy, CO 80840-5025
1-800-443-9266
www.usafa.edu

U.S. Military Academy
(USMA)

Director of Admissions
U.S. Military Academy
Building 606
West Point, NY 10996
1-800-822-ARMY (2769)
www.usma.edu

U.S. Naval Academy
(USNA)

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

U.S. Merchant Marine Academy:
(USMMA)

Admissions Office
U.S. Merchant Marine Academy
300 Steamboat Rd.
Kings Point, NY 11024-1699
1-800-732-6267
www.usmma.edu

The U.S. Coast Guard Academy does not require a nomination. You should apply directly to the academy for admission.

U.S. Coast Guard Academy:
(USCGA)

Director of Admissions
U.S. Coast Guard Academy
New London, CT 06320-4195
1-403-444-8501
www.uscga.edu

*APPLICATION FOR NOMINATION TO THE
UNITED STATES SERVICE ACADEMIES*
31ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT OF TEXAS
THE HONORABLE JOHN R. CARTER

Name: _____

Legal Address: _____

County: _____

Home Phone () _____ Social Security Number _____

Cell Phone: _____ Email address: _____

Father's Name: _____ Work # () _____

Mother's Name: _____ Work # () _____

Mailing Address (if different from Legal Address) _____

Date of Birth: _____ Sex _____

High School _____ Location of School (City) _____

Counselor _____ Phone # of School () _____

Graduation Date _____

Has either parent served in the military? If so, state branch of service and rank:

List Order of Preference of Service Academies:

() USAFA () USMA () USMMA () USNA

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM BY OCTOBER 17, 2011 TO:

**Congressman John R. Carter
One Financial Centre
1717 N. IH 35, Suite 303
Round Rock, Texas 78664**