



Office of Congresswoman Linda T. Sanchez, 38th District
Service Academy Congressional Nomination Application: Class of 2029
Submission Deadline (received by, not postmarked): November 7, 2024

Application Instructions

I. General Information

Submission Deadline (received by, not postmarked): **Thursday, November 7, 2024**
Completed Application Package Should be sent to: Office of Congresswoman Linda T. Sánchez
Attn: Melanie Renteria
Service Academy Coordinator
15111 Whittier Blvd. Ste 220 Whittier, CA 90603

All materials must be printed on standard sized paper (8.5" X 11") and NOT stapled altogether. Please write clearly, legibly and on a black or blue pen. Do not use a pencil. All materials submitted to the Office of Congresswoman Linda T. Sánchez will not be returned to the applicant. Any applicant package received by **November 7, 2024**, will NOT be considered. SAT/ACT scores for the October testing dates are the only materials accepted after the deadline. You will receive an acknowledgment once your application has been processed.

II. Application Package Checklist

The following items are required for a nomination:

Service Academy

- I. A current application with the respective academy you wish for a nomination. Contact the academies for more information.

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- II. Students must confirm they reside in the 38th Congressional District of California. To find out whether you live in the district, please visit: www.house.gov, locate **FIND YOUR REPRESENTATIVE** on the **top-right corner**, and enter your zip code. If your zip code overlaps with multiple congressional districts, enter your street address.

III. Congressional Nomination Application (Complete). The application includes:

- 1) **Personal Information**
 - 2) **Personal Commentary:** 500-word essay about yourself, your goals, and reasons you would like to attend a Service Academy.
 - 3) **Two Teacher Recommendations:** Use the recommendation forms included in the application. Teachers should complete the forms, seal them in envelopes, and return the forms to student or mail to our office address: 15111 Whittier Blvd, Ste 220, Whittier, CA 90603. Attn: Melanie Renteria
 - 4) **One Non-Academic Recommendation.**
 - 5) **Candidate Fitness Assessment Scores.**
 - 6) **Interview Request Form.**
- IV. **Official High School Transcripts:** Transcripts must arrive with the application in a SEALED envelope. Unofficial transcripts will not be accepted.
 - V. **Official SAT and/or ACT scores:** The Office of Congresswoman Linda Sánchez has code number **4158** (SAT) and **7277** (ACT).
 - VI. **Wallet-sized Photograph** Questions? Contact the office at (562) 860-5050.

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Personal Information

Attn: Melanie Renteria
15111 Whittier Blvd, Ste. 220 Whittier, CA 90603

I. Applicant Information

Applicant's Name _____

Home Address _____
Last (Family) First (Given) Middle Jr., etc.

Number and Street City State / Country Zip / Postal Code

Mailing Address (if different) _____

Number and Street City State / Country Zip / Postal Code

Telephone (home) _____ Telephone (cellular) _____

(Area code) Number (Area Code) Number

Email Address _____

Date of Birth _____ Gender _____

MM / DD / YYYY M / F

List all Academies you plan to apply for (rank them in order from greatest to least interest).

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

**You must have an active online application with the academies listed above prior to your nomination interview.*

List of service academies that require a nomination: US Military Academy (West Point), Naval Academy, Air Force Academy, Merchant Marines Academy

Survey (This does not affect your admissions prospect): How did you become interested in applying to this/these academy/academies? Please be as specific as possible (e.g., A visit to a campus, contact with a current cadet, recruiter, family/relatives, instructor, etc.).

Have you applied to the service academies before? Yes / No Which academy /academies? _____ What Year? _____

II. Schools Attended

Present/most recent school

Name _____ Principal/Head of School _____
Address _____

Number and Street City State / Country Zip / Postal Code

Entrance Date _____ Graduation Date _____

Month / Year Month / Year

Previous secondary school(s) attended (between grades 9 and 12)

Name _____ Principal/Head of School _____
Address _____

Number and Street City State / Country Zip / Postal Code

Entrance Date _____ Graduation Date _____

Month / Year Month / Year

III. Required Standardized Testing

List your top scores to date on the first line of each test section.

NOTE: If you are scheduled to take an additional test in October, please indicate the date of the test on the second line below each test section. SAT/ACT Scores for the October testing dates are the only scores accepted after the application deadline.

SAT I Tests
Math Reading & Writing Date

SAT II Subject Tests
Subject Test Date

ACT Assessment
Test
English Math Reading Reasoning Composite Date
Armed Forces Vocational Aptitude Battery
Composite Score Date

IV. General Information

Are you applying to other nominating sources? You are allowed to, and in fact are encouraged to, apply for at least four nominations. (Your own Member, your two Senators, and the Vice President).

Please check all that apply: Senator Butler Senator Padilla Vice President Service Related

Are you applying for an ROTC scholarship? Again, you are encouraged to do so as it shows commitment to becoming an officer: YES NO If yes, to which schools?

Academy Application Timeline -- For your TOP choice, please note the date you sent each (or completed interview) to that Academy NOTE: May be worded slightly differently by each academy. Also, be prepared to state when you did complete task(s) at your interview if NOT completed by November 7,2024.

**** Please enclose your sealed official high school transcripts****

IV. Essay

On a separate sheet of paper, please **type** and explain why you would like to attend a United States Service Academy. Please limit your response to 500 words of text, single-spaced, font 12. Please place the essay after this page.

Why would you like to attend a United States Service Academy? How would you benefit from attending?

V. Applicant's Signature

I declare that this essay is my own work, and that all the information in my application (both Forms 1 and 2) is, to the best of my knowledge, correct, and honestly presented. I am a citizen of the United States, or I will have attained citizenship before I enter the Academy. I am a legal resident of California's 38th Congressional District. I understand that I must submit all necessary materials by **November 7, 2024**, to be considered for a nomination by U.S. Representative Linda T. Sánchez. I authorize the office of Representative Linda T. Sánchez to announce my first name, last name, and attended school on social media platforms.

Signature

Date

Name (Please Print)

Email Address

Please comment on the nature and quality of the applicant's academic work. We are especially interested in your evaluation of the applicant's motivation, originality of approach, intellectual depth or breadth, and capability for independent thought.

What are your impressions of the applicant as a person? How is he or she viewed by peers and/or teachers? How does the applicant interact with others? Please describe any personal strengths or problems about which we should be aware.

How do you think the applicant would fare personally, academically, and physically at a United States Service Academy? Would you like to make any additional comments?

Teacher's Signature

Signature

Date



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to:

Please Return Completed Forms

Office of Congresswoman Linda T. Sánchez
Attn: Melanie Renteria

Personal Commentary

15111 Whittier Blvd, Ste. 220 Whittier, CA 90603

I. Applicant's Information

Applicant's Name _____
Last (Family) First (Given) Middle Jr., etc.
School Name _____

II. Confidentiality

Under the provisions of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (Buckley Amendment), you have the right to review your educational records. You may waive your right of access to this recommendation if you so choose. Your decision to waive or not to waive your right of access will have no bearing on the handling of your application. You must sign your name below after checking the appropriate response.

I waive I do not waive my right to access this report.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

Instructions to the Teacher: The student whose name appears above is applying for a United States Service Academy Congressional nomination. Your candid account of the applicant's academic performance, intellectual promise, and your personal qualities will greatly help the Selection Committee in recommending the applicant. We are interested in what you feel is important for us to know about the applicant. Thank you for your help.

Please return the completed form to the student in a sealed envelope OR mail directly to our office at 15111 Whittier Blvd, Ste.220 Whittier, CA 90603

Teacher's Name _____

School _____

How long have you known the applicant? _____

In what context, if any, have you known the applicant outside of the classroom?

In what course(s) have you taught the applicant and what grade(s) did the applicant receive? Please indicate, if appropriate, the level of course(s) in relation to others offered by your department (e.g. Is English 11 Honors the higher of the two 11th grade courses?)

Courses level Year Grade Received

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What are your impressions of the applicant as a person? How is he or she viewed by peers and/or teachers? How does the applicant interact with others? Please describe any personal strengths or problems about which we should be aware.

How do you think the applicant would fare personally, academically, and physically at a United States Service Academy? Would you like to make any additional comments?

Teacher's Signature

Signature

Date

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Non-Academic Recommendation

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School Name _____

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- I waive I do not waive my right to access this report.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

Instructions to the recommender: The student whose name appears above is applying for a United States Service Academy Congressional nomination. Your candid account of the applicant's academic performance, intellectual promise, and your personal qualities will greatly help the Selection Committee in recommending the applicant. We are interested in what you feel is important for us to know about the applicant. Thank you for your help.

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Name _____
Relationship to Applicant _____
How long have you known the applicant? _____
In what context, if any, have you known the applicant outside of the classroom? Please describe their work ethic and character.

How do you think the applicant would far personally, academically, and physically at a United States Service Academy?

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Candidate Fitness Assessment Scores

Please Return Completed Forms to:

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I. Candidate Fitness Assessment (to be completed following the instructions listed on academy websites):

NOTE: Failure to complete this by November 7, 2024, will affect the review of your overall nomination and may result in an incomplete file. * Any applicant who does not complete this by the due date needs to explain, in writing, why it was not completed, and attach an explanation to this file.

THIS SHOULD BE YOUR OFFICIAL CFA FOR THE ACADEMY—NOT A PRACTICE TEST.

*This timeline is a requirement of this congressional district, not the Academy.

Push-ups: _____

Shuttle Run: _____seconds

Pull-ups: _____

Mile Run: ____ minutes ____seconds

Basketball Throw: _____ft.

Sit Ups _____

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to:

Interview Request Form

Please Return Completed Forms

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All academy applicants from the 38th Congressional District must interview with Congresswoman Linda T. Sánchez' Service Academy Selection Committee on **Saturday, December 14, 2024**, in order to be considered for a nomination. This year, interviews will be conducted virtually through Zoom.

Please indicate interview times that will be convenient for you. Please be aware that your selection does not ensure that time selection but will be considered for scheduling purposes. You will be informed of your interview date and time in November. Interviews are approximately 20 minutes long.

9 AM – 10 AM

10 AM – 11 AM

11 AM – 12 noon

12 noon – 1 PM

1 PM – 2 PM

2 PM – 3 PM

4 PM – 5PM

****Although a Saturday is the scheduled interview day,**

The office may have to reschedule due to the availability of the Service Academy Committee. **

Questions? Contact the office at (562) 860-5050