



CONGRESSMAN

Drew Ferguson

PROUDLY SERVING GEORGIA'S THIRD DISTRICT

Service Academy Nomination Application Instructions:

Please read all directions carefully. Failure to accurately submit all parts of the application will disqualify you from consideration.

1. The application deadline for 2023 is Friday November 3rd. All applications must be submitted via email or post marked by this date. No late applications will be accepted.
2. All applications must be complete and accurate. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
3. Applications can either be scanned and emailed to Jessica.Eck@mail.house.gov with the subject line: 2023 Academy Application for (Candidate's Name) or mailed to Office of Congressman Drew Ferguson, Attn: Jessica Eck, 1601 B Hwy 34 E, Newnan, GA 30265. Emailed submissions are preferred.
4. Applications should be turned in as one packet with all required pieces included.
 - a. Emailed applications should be one PDF document named in the following format: LastName_FirstName i.e. Smith_John.
 - b. Physical applications should not be stapled, tabbed or bound in any way. It should be printed single sided, do not print front and back. The application should be held together with either a paper clip or a binder clip and submitted in either a file folder or manila envelope.
5. All portions of the application are to be completed by the candidate. The only portions to be completed by the parent or guardian are the media permission form if the candidate is not 18 years of age, and the final verification signature on the verification checklist.
6. Info Regarding Sections of the Application:
 - a. The current photo should be a passport style photo that clearly shows your face.
 - b. High School Transcripts must be official. If emailing your application, please open the sealed transcript and scan it with the rest of your application. If submitting a physical application please submit the sealed transcript.
 - c. SAT and ACT scores should be printed from the test's website. DO NOT have an official copy sent to us directly from SAT or ACT. We do allow for super scoring.
 - d. Resumes should be no more than 1 page.
 - e. Essays should be approximately 500 words and no more than 1 typed page. Single space is fine.
 - f. Letters of Recommendation can come from anyone you wish. They should be included in your packet. We will not accept letters not included in the packet. You should include at least 3 but no more than 5 letters. Please request that all letters be no more than 1 page.
7. Should a candidate have any questions during the process they should reach out to Jessica Eck in our district office at 770-683-2033 or via email at Jessica.Eck@mail.house.gov.
8. We know that parents are excited for and proud of their children who are applying. Many may want to be involved in the application process as much as possible. Please keep in mind the application process is for the candidates and is a step toward a future of service in the United States Armed Forces. Because of this, we prefer to communicate directly with our candidates when they have questions or concerns and not parents. We understand that all of our candidates are in school and other activities which may hinder their ability to call during business hours, but we will gladly respond to emails sent at any time. If an urgent situation arises, we will be glad to speak to a parent or guardian.



VERIFICATION CHECKLIST

The following items should be submitted in the order listed as one application packet to my office.

The packet should be held together by a paper or binder clip, and should NOT contain any staples, sheet protectors, tabs or binding. Packets can be submitted in either a file folder or manila envelope.

My office cannot accept applications with any missing materials. Any incomplete applications will be returned to the applicant and not processed. The application deadline is Friday November 3rd. All applications should be received or postmarked by this date. Late applications will not be accepted.

Candidates should initial beside each item to verify each item is correct and meets the application requirements.

Parents or Guardians should verify all items on this checklist are included in the packet in the order listed below then sign verifying that the packet is complete.

- _____ (1) Completed Verification Checklist
- _____ (2) Service Academy Nomination Application From Our Website
- _____ (3) Essay Explaining Why You Would Like to Attend a Service Academy
- _____ (4) Official High School Transcript
- _____ (5) ACT & SAT Scores – Summary Page Printed from Their Website
- _____ (6) Resume – One Page
- _____ (7) 3-5 Letters of Recommendation – With Original Signatures

Parent / Guardian Certification:

I, _____, certify that this application packet is complete, and all required items are in the proper order for submission.

Signed _____ Date:

Please scan and email to:

Jessica.eck@mail.house.gov

Subject Line: 2023 Academy Application for (Candidates First and Last Name)

or Mail to:

Office of Congressman Drew Ferguson

Attn: Jessica Eck

1601 Hwy 34 East Suite B

Newnan, GA 30265



2023 Service Academy Nomination Application

Candidate Information

Candidate Photo

Full Name: _____

Preferred Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Contact Information

Cell Phone Number: _____

Home Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Mailing Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Education

Current School: _____ Previous School: _____

Weighted GPA: _____ Unweighted GPA: _____ Grade Avg (out of 100): _____

of AP/IB Courses: _____ # of Dual Enrollment Courses: _____

SAT Total: _____ R/W: _____ M: _____ ACT Composite: _____ M: _____ S: _____ E: _____ R: _____

Languages Spoken: _____

Extra- Curricular Activities and Athletics

Athletics/Sports: _____

Clubs: _____

Organizations: _____

Other: _____

Volunteer / Community Service

Where: _____ Hours: _____

Where: _____ Hours: _____

Where: _____ Hours: _____

Employment Experience

Employer: _____ Position: _____ Hours: _____

Employer: _____ Position: _____ Hours: _____

Employer: _____ Position: _____ Hours: _____



Candidate Short Answer Questions:

Please complete all applicable questions. If a question does not apply to you please put N/A.

1. Do you have any family members who served in the armed forces, if so who and what branches?

2. Do you plan to make the military a career?

3. Are you planning to re-apply for a service academy, join the military by enlisting or attend college in an ROTC program if you do not receive an appointment to an academy? Please Explain.

4. Have you had to overcome any adversities or hardships? If so, please explain.

5. Do you feel your grades and test scores indicate your true abilities? Why or why not?

6. Why is it important to be able to be led as well as to be able to lead?

7. Describe a time when you demonstrated leadership outside of an appointed leadership position.



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Candidate Fitness Assessment

Take this worksheet with you when you complete your fitness assessment. Have the examiner fill in all the information on the form (and make sure he/she signs and dates the form). Your examiner should be your high school PE teacher or athletic coach. If you are home-schooled you may use your PE teacher (if not your parent), your ROTC instructor (if applicable), or your Military Academy Admissions Liaison Officer.

- 1) Basketball Throw: record three attempts to the nearest foot.
 - a. 1st attempt (feet)_____ b. 2nd Attempt (feet)_____ c. 3rd attempt (feet)_____
- 2) Pull-Ups/Flexed Arm Hang : Men must complete the pull-ups. Women may complete EITHER the pull-ups or the flexed arm hang.
 - a. Pull-ups (number completed) _____
 - b. Flexed Arm Hang – women only (number of seconds) _____
- 3) Shuttle Run: Record two attempts to the nearest tenth of a second
 - a. 1st attempt (seconds and tenth of seconds) _____:_____
 - b. 2nd attempt (seconds and tenth of seconds) _____:_____
- 4) Modified Sit-Ups number completed _____
- 5) Push-Ups number completed _____
- 6) One Mile Run minutes and seconds _____:_____

Examiner Information:

Name & Title: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Remarks (any unusual circumstances): _____

Date: _____ Signature: _____

Service Academy Rankings

According to your preferences, please rank the academies that you would like to be considered for a nomination to. **DO NOT RANK** an academy unless you are applying and would like to attend that academy. You will only be considered for the academies you rank. Please rank them as 1 being your first choice, 2 being your second choice, 3 being your third choice and 4 being your fourth choice. If you are not interested in an academy leave the line beside it blank. (Example: If you wish to attend and be considered for West Point as your first choice and Navy as your second choice you would put a 1 by West Point, a 2 by Navy and leave the others blank.)

_____ U.S. Air Force Academy	_____ U.S. Merchant Marine Academy
_____ U.S. Military Academy at West Point	_____ U.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis

Application Has Also Been Submitted To:

Please notate with an X anywhere else you have applied for a nomination.

_____ President of the United States	_____ Senator Jon Ossoff
_____ Vice President of the United States	_____ Senator Raphael Warnock



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Media Release

Should you be nominated to a service academy, Congressman Ferguson would like to congratulate you. This includes, but isn't limited to press releases to media, social media posts, and inclusion in our newsletter. If you would like to give your permission for your photo, name, service academy, hometown and high school to be used for congratulations purposes only, please print your name and sign below. If the applicant is under the age of 18, please have a parent or guardian sign in addition to the candidate.

Upon my acceptance to a United States Service Academy, I, _____, hereby give my permission to the office of Congressman Ferguson to use my information for public congratulations purposes only.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Signature of Parent or Guardian (if applicant is under the age of 18)

Date

Parent / Guardian Contact Information

Parent / Guardian 1:

Name: _____ Relation: _____ Cell#: _____

Email: _____ Address: _____

Parent / Guardian 2:

Name: _____ Relation: _____ Cell #: _____

Email: _____ Address: _____

ROTC Scholarship Opportunities

ROTC programs are offered at many schools in Georgia and across the country. These programs offer students the opportunity to serve our country while obtaining a college education. Sometimes there are scholarships available for students who do not receive an appointment to a service academy. If you would be interested in an ROTC Scholarship and would like for our office to share your contact with the ROTC Program coordinator, please sign and provide your preferred contact information.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

APPLICATION CERTIFICATION:

I hereby certify that all information provided in this application is truthful and accurate to the best of my abilities. I acknowledge that honesty & integrity are required qualities of all candidates to any United States Military Academy. I understand that I am to uphold the standards of honesty and integrity required of not just United States Military Academy Cadets but also United States Military service members in general during the entire application process. I further understand that any action not in keeping with the morals and standards of the United States Service Academies will result in an automatic denial of my application for a nomination. I acknowledge that I must update Congressman Ferguson's office of any material changes to my application.

Signature: _____ Date: _____