

**Congresswoman Suzanne Bonamici
Academy Nomination Application
Instruction Sheet**

1. **Application Packet:** The applicant must complete the entire application packet, even if some of the information was previously provided to another agency. Keep in mind that the applicant must be a legal resident of Oregon and reside in the First Congressional District to be considered for nomination by Congresswoman Suzanne Bonamici. If the applicant is temporarily residing outside of Oregon, be sure to provide both addresses on the application form.

2. **Preference:** Because of the large number of qualified applicants and the limited number of nominations, each applicant is considered for his or her first choice. In the event that an applicant merits a nomination and the first choice is not available, the applicant will be considered for his or her second choice.

3. **Method of Nomination:** Congresswoman Bonamici uses the "competitive nomination" selection process for academy candidates. Using this method, ten nominations are submitted by our office to each academy. These ten people are selected based on their high school scholastic and extracurricular record, results of the College Entrance Examination Board test with an amplified consideration on letters of recommendation, and personal theme essay. These nominees then compete on the academy level for the actual appointment.

4. **Documentation to be sent to Congresswoman Bonamici:**
 - A. Application Form with the List of Extracurricular Activities,
To be completed by the applicant and returned to our office. The Application Form and Extracurricular Activity Form are included with this packet.

 - B. Personal Theme
The Personal Theme is a (1, 000-word) essay explaining the applicant's motivation for attending an academy.

 - C. High School Principal, Head of School or Guidance Counselor Evaluation Form
To be filled out by the applicant's high school principal, head of school, or guidance counselor. In the case of home-schooled candidates, the principal/head of school/guidance counselor letter may be written by a relative.

 - C. Letters of Recommendation
Please send three letters of recommendation, at least one of which must be from a teacher, but someone other than the person who fills out the evaluation form (page 5). All recommendation letters must be from non-relatives. It is a good idea to follow up on requests for letters of recommendation to ensure that they have been mailed to our office prior to the deadline of **5:00 p.m. on Friday, December 18, 2020.** If the applicant is temporarily residing outside the state of Oregon, the applicant may use recommendations from out of state.

D. High School Transcript

This needs to be mailed/mailed directly from the high school to Congresswoman Bonamici after the completion of the applicant's junior year. If the applicant has graduated from high school, preparatory school, or college, a final high school transcript and transcript of advanced study should also be submitted.

E. College Entrance Examination Board Scores:

The applicant is required to forward the results of his or her SAT or ACT exam to our office directly from the testing agency. Test scores delivered from any source other than the testing agency will not be considered. **Congresswoman Bonamici's score codes are 4023 for the SAT and 7627 for the ACT.** The applicant's counselor can provide a list of the dates these tests are being offered, and it is suggested that the applicant take the test at the earliest possible date in order to ensure that Congresswoman Bonamici's office will receive the applicant's scores by our nomination deadline.

5. **Physical Requirements:** Carefully review the section of the academy catalog outlining its physical requirements. Due to travel inconveniences for many applicants, the physical examination is not a prerequisite for nomination. However, the academy administers a very comprehensive physical after nominations are made, and the applicant must pass this examination in order to continue in the competition for appointment.

Congresswoman Bonamici is very aware of the importance of an academy nomination to the applicant and each completed file is carefully considered on the individual applicant's own merits. To give time for a thorough evaluation of each file, it is crucial that all of the documentation requested be received in Congresswoman Bonamici's District Office **by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, December 18, 2020.** Applicants with incomplete files will not be considered. Cooperation in supplying information at an early date is appreciated. Due to the large numbers of applications that must be processed, please be sure to notify the office if the applicant is no longer interested in competing for a nomination or if the applicant has any further questions.

Mail the application to:

Congresswoman Suzanne Bonamici
12725 S.W. Millikan Way, Suite 220
Beaverton, OR 97005

Email the application to:

Brenda.alvarado@mail.house.gov

**APPLICATION FOR NOMINATION
TO A UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY**
To be completed by the applicant. Please type or print in ink.

Date: _____ Social Security Number: _____

Full Name: _____

Permanent Oregon Address: _____

City, State and Zip Code: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Place of Birth: _____

Father's Name: _____

Mother's Name: _____

High School: _____ Counselor: _____

High School Phone: _____ Year of Graduation: _____

If you have attended college:

Name: _____

Years attended: _____

Uncorrected Visual Acuity: _____

Academy 1st Choice: _____

Academy 2nd Choice: _____

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Please list the extracurricular activities that you have been involved with in high school and the number of years of involvement:

Please list any previous employment and hours per week:

After School:

Summer:

Athletic participation (high school only):

Sport	Grade	Varsity	Position	Letters/Captain	Awards
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Please note which test(s) you have taken, when you took it, and your score:

SAT I: _____ Scheduled Test Date: _____ Score: _____

SAT II: _____ Scheduled Test Date: _____ Score: _____

ACT: _____ Scheduled Test Date: _____ Score: _____

HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL, HEAD OF SCHOOL,
OR GUIDANCE COUNSELOR EVALUATION FORM

This form must be completed by the high school principal, head of school, or guidance counselor for the candidate applying for a congressional nomination to one of the United States Service Academies. It must be received in Congresswoman Bonamici's District Office by the **December 18, 2020** deadline.

Applicant's Name: _____

Name of School: _____ Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

(Please include City, State, and Zip code)

Applicant's year in school: _____ Numerical Jr. Class Rank: _____ GPA: _____

SAT I Score: Verbal _____ Math _____ ACT Score: _____

SAT II (if applicable): Subject: _____ Score: _____

Subject: _____ Score: _____

Subject: _____ Score: _____

Leadership Characteristics: _____

Personality Traits: _____

Ability to work under pressure: _____

Ability to get along with others: _____

Additional comments: _____

Principal/Head or Counselor's name (please print)

Date

Signature

Title
