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Dear Service Academy Nominee Applicant:

There are many responsibilities and honors associated with being a member of the United States House of Representatives, but perhaps one of the greatest is nominating qualified young men and women to the United States Service Academies.

The United States Military Academies have educated many of America's top leaders. U.S. Presidents, Senators, Representatives, astronauts and leaders in many civic and private organizations have all attended these prestigious universities and started their careers as leaders in the United States Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force.

As a Member of Congress I may nominate up to ten individuals for each vacancy in the entering class and am allowed a maximum of five persons at each academy during any given year. Since the process is so competitive, I strongly recommend that candidates apply to both U.S. Senators and the Vice President, in addition to seeking nomination from me.

Completed applications received on or before October 31, 2014 will be referred to my nominating committee. The nominating committee is comprised of service academy graduates, members of the military and other southern Minnesota citizens. Following a thorough review of all submitted materials, each applicant is interviewed by the nominating committee. The nominating committee then makes recommendations to me regarding final nominations. A member of my staff will be in touch to schedule an interview with the committee following receipt of your completed application.

To assist you with the application process, I have provided information below detailing the eligibility and application requirements that will enable me to recommend you to my nominating committee for review. For further guidance about this process, please contact David Wentzel in my Mankato office at (507) 388-2149.

I look forward to the nomination process this fall and I commend you for your willingness to serve your country.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Timothy J. Walz".

Timothy J Walz
Member of Congress

Service Academy Eligibility ✓ Checklist

The following eligibility requirements have been established by the service academies. In order to be eligible for admission to the Service Academy nominees must:

- Be a permanent resident of Minnesota;
- Be United States citizens;
- Be at least 17 years old and not past your 23rd birthday (Merchant Marine regulations allow candidates until their 25th birthday.)
- Not be married and must not have dependents.
- Reside in the congressional district of the nominating Member of Congress
 - In this case, the First Congressional District of Minnesota. Your parents' legal voting address determines whether you can apply from this district.
 - If you should move out of the First Congressional District during the application process, you should notify this office immediately so your file can be transferred to the proper congressional office.

Service Academy Nomination ✓ Checklist

The following documents must be submitted by October 31st in order for Congressman Walz to refer your application to the nominating committee.

NOTE: It is not necessary to submit all the documents at once -- you may provide this information as you acquire it. However, applications and supporting documentation will not be accepted if received after the October 31st deadline.

- Application for Nomination to Service Academies
- Personal essay explaining why you would like to attend a service academy
- Resume
- Official high school transcript
- Official ACT and SAT scores
- Three letters of recommendation
- Photo (Digital copy emailed to john.pierce@mail.house.gov)
- Permission to Publish Photo and/or Quotation (if applicant is under 18, this form must be signed by a parent or guardian.)

Mail or Deliver to:

U.S. Representative Tim Walz
ATTN: Service Academy Nominations
227 EAST MAIN STREET, STE 220
MANKATO, MN 56001

If you have questions or concerns, **please contact David Wentzel in Congressman Walz's Mankato District Office at (507) 388-2149.**

Application for Nomination to Service Academies

NAME: _____
LAST *FIRST* *MIDDLE*

DATE OF BIRTH: _____

PERMANENT ADDRESS:

TEMPORARY ADDRESS (IF APPLICABLE):

STREET ADDRESS

STREET ADDRESS

CITY

COUNTY

ZIP CODE

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

PHONE

PHONE

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

IF APPLICABLE, DATE YOUR TEMPORARY ADDRESS IS VALID UNTIL: _____

NAMES OF PARENTS OR GUARDIANS: _____

HIGH SCHOOL NAME: _____

HIGH SCHOOL ADDRESS: _____

CLASS SIZE: _____ CLASS RANK: _____ GRADE POINT AVERAGE: _____

GRADUATION DATE: _____ ACT SCORES: ENGLISH _____ MATH _____

SAT SCORES: VERBAL _____ MATH _____

POST-SECONDARY SCHOOL ATTENDED (IF APPLICABLE): _____

MILITARY SERVICE (IF APPLICABLE): _____

PLEASE RANK THE ACADEMIES IN ORDER OF PREFERENCE (1 – 4):

AIR FORCE _____ ARMY _____ MERCHANT MARINE _____ NAVY _____

RETURN THIS FORM TO: 227 EAST MAIN STREET, STE 220, MANKATO, MN 56001

Permission to Publish Photo and/or Quotation

Local media outlets are often interested in covering students who receive the honor of attending a military service academy. In the event that you are nominated and accepted to a service academy, Congressman Walz's staff will provide media outlets with the photo you've submitted as part of this application, as well as a quote from your personal essay. By signing this form you agree to allow Congressman Tim Walz publish a photo and/or quotation provided by you during the academy nomination process and to provide these items to local media outlets.

First Name		Last Name	
Street Address	City	State	Zip
Phone number(s)		Email	

I certify that:

- I am a U.S. Citizen;
- I am a resident of Minnesota's First Congressional District;
- I have not been convicted of a crime; and
- I have not been compensated for this testimony and have contributed my testimony willingly.
- I have the rights to the photo I submitted, and willingly give Congressman Walz's office permission to use this photo.

Signature	Date
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Parent/Guardian Signature (<i>if applicant is under age 18</i>)	Date
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