



How to Apply for a Nomination

All application materials must be submitted by **5 pm, Friday, October 16, 2026**. This includes letters of recommendation, transcripts, and the school counselor's information which must be sent directly to our office. Application materials submitted after that date may not be considered.

- All the application materials and instructions you need will be available online at:
<https://kean.house.gov/services/service-academy-nominations>
- Please email all application materials to NJ07Academy@mail.house.gov
- New for 2027 Applications: the Department of War Academies: USMA, USNA, USAFA, are now accepting the Classical Learning Test (CLT). CLT test scores can be self-reported in addition to SAT and/or ACT scores.

Complete the following Steps:

- ✓ **Thoroughly read and review all the materials available on the Congressman's website**
- ✓ **Email your photo.** Please send an appropriate color photograph headshot/portrait in JPEG format to NJ07Academy@mail.house.gov.
- ✓ **Contact your school counselor.** Your school counselor must fill out the scholastic information form and provide a typed letter of recommendation. This letter will not count as one of your two letters of recommendation.

Ask your counselor to submit your official high school transcript, which should include your course listing and grades, current GPA, class rank and SAT/ACT/CLT test scores. Your final junior year grades must be listed on the official transcript. Numerical class rank and approximate size of the class are required. If your school does not rank students, the counselor should make an accurate estimate of your class standing and check the box on the Scholastic Information Sheet noting it is an estimate.

The completed scholastic information form, counselor recommendation and official transcripts should be emailed directly from the counselor from an official email to NJ07Academy@mail.house.gov.

- ✓ **Request two letters of recommendation and provide instruction forms.** You must have two letters of recommendation submitted by people who know you well and can speak to your qualities relevant to a military education and career. These can be instructors, coaches, teachers, employers, or community leaders. Please provide them with the Recommendation Forms to facilitate correct transmission. The letters cannot be submitted by you but directly from those providing the recommendation and must be emailed to NJ07Academy@mail.house.gov
- ✓ Do not send any additional materials/documents other than those specifically requested. Do not send Academy(s) admissions applications or medical exam (DodMERB) information.
- ✓ Please do not send more than TWO letters of recommendation/support as they will not be included in your application.

A Nomination Application submitted by 5 pm, October 16, 2026, consisting of the following files, will be considered complete:

- ☑ *Appropriate color head shot/portrait photograph of applicant*
- ☑ *Online Application questionnaire, including self-reported ACT/SAT/CLT Scores, personal statement*
- ☑ *School Counselor forms, including completed scholastic information form, counselor letter of recommendation and official transcripts*
- ☑ *Two Letters of Recommendation*

If you, your school counselors, or individuals providing your recommendations have any questions, or concerns or if documents must be mailed, please contact Renee Trabert at renee.trabert@mail.house.gov or call 908-547-3307