

# Congress of the United States

## Washington, DC 20515

September 26, 2018

Dear Friend,

We are pleased to invite you to our annual **Service Academy Night**. Students who are considering applying to a Service Academy or R.O.T.C. program, their parents, and guidance counselors are invited to attend Service Academy Night and meet representatives from the U.S. Military Academy (West Point), U.S. Naval Academy (Annapolis), U.S. Air Force Academy, U.S. Coast Guard Academy, and the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy, as well as Army and Navy R.O.T.C.

This event is an opportunity to learn about the unique academic and career opportunities offered through our nation's service academies. Students who attend the service academies graduate with a top-tier education, strong leadership experience, and a commission as an officer. Moreover, they will join a proud tradition of leadership and selfless service to our nation. A panel of Academy and R.O.T.C. representatives will provide an overview of the admission process, daily life of a cadet/midshipman, and various paths to officership. Representatives will be available after the panel to discuss and answer questions from students, parents, and faculty.

Attached please find our Service Academy Night flyer with further details and information. This event will take place at **Williamsville South High School, 5950 Main Street, Williamsville, NY 14221**, on **Monday October 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm** in the auditorium. Feel free to share this with students, parents, or school administrators who may be interested in attending.

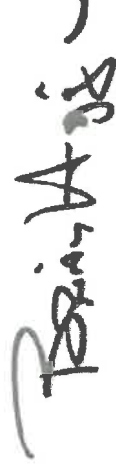
Please R.S.V.P. to Evelyn Williams from Congressman Higgins' office at [evelyn.williams@mail.house.gov](mailto:evelyn.williams@mail.house.gov) or Habiba Mohamed from Senator Gillibrand's office [habiba\\_mohamed@gillibrand.senate.gov](mailto:habiba_mohamed@gillibrand.senate.gov).

If you have any questions about the nomination process or federal service academies in general, please contact Michael Burten, Senator Gillibrand's Constituent Liaison for Military and Veterans Affairs, at (212) 688-6262.

Sincerely,



Kirsten Gillibrand  
United States Senator



Brian Higgins  
Member of Congress



**U.S. SENATOR**

**KIRSTEN GILLIBRAND**



**U.S. CONGRESSMAN**

**BRIAN HIGGINS**

**PRESENT**

## **SERVICE ACADEMY NIGHT**



*Meet representatives from the Service Academies*

U.S. Military Academy

U.S. Naval Academy

U.S. Coast Guard Academy

U.S. Merchant Marine Academy

U.S. Air Force Academy

Army, Navy, and Air Force R.O.T.C.

*For High School Students Considering Applying to a Service Academy or ROTC  
Parents and School Officials are also encouraged to attend*

**Monday, October 15, 2018  
Panel begins promptly at 6:00 PM**

Williamsville South High School  
Auditorium  
5950 Main Street, Williamsville, NY 14221

**Please R.S.V.P. to**

**Habiba Mohamed-[habiba\\_mohamed@gillibrand.senate.gov](mailto:habiba_mohamed@gillibrand.senate.gov) or 716-854-9725  
Or Evelyn Williams-[evelyn.williams@mail.house.gov](mailto:evelyn.williams@mail.house.gov) or 716-852-3501**

## United States Service Academy Nomination Guidelines

1. Applications are due to Congressman Higgins' District Office by Friday, November 9, 2018

You can access information regarding our application on our website at: <https://higgins.house.gov/services/military-academy-nominations/military-academy-nominations-print-form>

A complete nomination application must include:

- Application form found on Congressman Higgins' website
- Current photo
- High School Transcript
- Official SAT results
- ACT results if available
- Resume of extracurricular and leadership activities
- Essay (approximately 500 words)
- 3 letters of recommendation

2. After the November 9<sup>th</sup> deadline, a letter will be sent to each student indicating the time of their scheduled interview with Congressman Higgins' Service Academy Panel. Interviews will be held on a Sunday, December 2, 2018.
3. Congressman Higgins can only nominate students from the 26<sup>th</sup> Congressional District if they have an *active* application with the Service Academy of their choice.

4. Please mail your completed application to Congressman Higgins' Buffalo office:  
Congressman Brian Higgins  
Larkin at Exchange  
726 Exchange St., Suite 601  
Buffalo, NY 14210

Please contact Evelyn Williams, Service Academy Coordinator with any questions or concerns at (716) 852-3501 or [evelyn.williams@mail.house.gov](mailto:evelyn.williams@mail.house.gov)

Please visit our website for more information  
<https://higgins.house.gov>

**For more information on the Five Service Academies:**

U.S. Military Academy at West Point  
[www.usma.edu](http://www.usma.edu)

U.S. Naval Academy  
[www.usna.edu](http://www.usna.edu)

U.S. Air Force Academy  
[www.usafa.edu](http://www.usafa.edu)

U.S. Merchant Marine Academy AT KINGS POINT, NEW YORK  
<http://www.usmma.edu>

U.S. Coast Guard Academy at New London, Connecticut  
[www.uscga.edu](http://www.uscga.edu)