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**DELEGATE JAMES MOYLAN ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR SERVICE
ACADEMY NOMINATIONS**

(Hagåtña, Guam) The Office of Congressman James Moylan is now accepting applications from students who are interested in seeking nominations to the military service academies. Students seeking appointment to the United States Military Academy (West Point), United States Naval Academy, United States Air Force Academy, and United States Merchant Marine Academy are required to have a nomination. Nominations are not required for the United States Coast Guard Academy.

The Service Academies are four-year colleges that offer a bachelor's degree in exchange for five years of active military service. Following graduation from the academies, graduates will be commissioned as officers in the armed forces.

To apply for a nomination, candidates must meet the following basic eligibility requirements:

- An applicant must be at least 17 years old, but not have passed his or her 23rd birthday.
- An applicant must be a United States Citizen
- No applicant can be married, pregnant, or have legal obligations to support children or other dependents.
- An applicant must reside in Guam.
- Applicants must meet the medical, physical, and academic requirements of the academy.

Applications must include the following:

- Current headshot
- Transcript from an accredited high school
- Scores from the American College Test Program (ACT) and/or College Board Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT)
- Resume/CV of extracurricular activities
- An essay stating why the applicant wants to attend a service academy (500 words or less)
- Minimum of three letters of recommendation

Nominations to service academies are based on a “whole person” evaluation, factoring in several traits relating to academic achievements, extracurricular activities, leadership skills and roles, physical fitness, character, and motivations. These are all taken into consideration when reviewing applications. Additionally, requirements for each service academy may be different, so students are encouraged to review the specific admission policies for each academy.

“As a Member of Congress, I have the distinct honor and privilege of nominating accomplished students to our nation’s service academies. Our island has a long history with the armed forces,

and if appointed, these future cadets and midshipmen will be prepared academically, physically, and mentally, to serve our country with honor, forging a new generation of patriots from Guam,” said Delegate Moylan. *“The youth of Guam are dedicated, hardworking, and resilient; they embody the best of our island and are the future leaders of our community. I look forward to meeting applicants and reviewing their applications,”* Delegate Moylan added.

For more information, applicants can visit Delegate Moylan’s website, <https://moylan.house.gov/>, or call the Guam office at (671)922-6673. The deadline for applications is November 3, 2023, and only physical applications are accepted; no applications filled out online will be accepted. Following the deadline, applications will be reviewed, and Delegate Moylan will be holding interviews with each of the applicants.

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