

**U.S. House of Representatives**  
**Washington, DC 20515**

Dear Friends,

The Office of the Ninth Congressional District of New Jersey is pleased to announce the opening of the congressional nomination process for the four military academies: **U.S. Military Academy at West Point, U.S. Naval Academy, U.S. Air Force Academy, and U.S. Merchant Marine Academy.** The U.S. Coast Guard Academy does not require a congressional nomination for appointment.

Please be aware that Service Academy selections are highly competitive as the individuals chosen will become the future leaders and protectors of our nation's defense. Openings are extremely limited; therefore, it is imperative that each applicant strictly comply with all requirements. Failure to successfully comply may cause you to be eliminated from the selection process. **Finally, please remember that you must also directly apply to the Academy of your choice.**

Included in this package is an information sheet detailing the required materials: an **Application Form** and a **Scholastic Information Form**. Please read carefully through the materials before answering any questions to prevent mistakes, which may cause further delay in your selection process.

Complete the enclosed **Application Form** and attach a **passport style photograph (2" x 2")**. Have your principal or guidance counselor complete and return the **Scholastic Information Form** to you in a sealed envelope. You will also need to provide **three (3) letters of recommendation** from school officials, public or private sector leaders, or activity supervisors given to you in sealed envelopes. **In addition, do not send incomplete application materials to our office.** Only SAT scores sent from the admissions testing program will be accepted separately. This office's SAT code is 2780 and the ACT code is 7532.

Please return your completed packet to our **District Office** located at 200 Federal Plaza, Paterson, NJ 07505. Our office will collect your application and share it with the successor elected to represent the district, who will be able to make official nominations after being sworn into office in January 2025.

Once again, thank you for your interest. If our office can be of further assistance to you in this or any other matter, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Allan Ford at (973) 523-5152 or via email at [Allan.Ford@mail.house.gov](mailto:Allan.Ford@mail.house.gov).