



# GUSBILIRAKIS

Representing the 12th District Florida

## Nomination Application for United States Service Academies



### DIRECTIONS

Please attach the following to your application in this order:

- \_\_\_ Applicant Form: complete application form, school or passport picture pasted in upper right corner of first page of application and copy of driver's license pasted on signature page.
- \_\_\_ SAT/ACT Scores: if transcript does not include a copy of official SAT/ACT scores, please forward your scores from the testing service using the following code: SAT 5681 and ACT 7332.
- \_\_\_ Sealed official transcripts from all high schools, junior colleges, or colleges you have attended.
- \_\_\_ Class rank: must be on your transcript. (If no class rank, have counselors estimate what your class rank would be, if possible).
- \_\_\_ Include extracurriculars, awards, achievements, and attached personal resume.
- \_\_\_ 3 Recommendation Letters: must be completed and sealed with signature over sealed envelope flap. Do not send more than three letters. ONLY letters of recommendation from the source types listed will be accepted. The letters may be drafted and formatted to the recommender's preference. Suggested one page letter. Will not accept more than a two page letter.
- \_\_\_ Short essays explaining: (1) "Why do you want to attend a U.S. Service Academy?", (2) "Why is it Important to have Strong Military Officers?", and (3) "Why do you Believe you are Qualified to be Nominated?" Limit each essay to no more than 250 words.

Please do not bind or staple your application. Send your COMPLETED application including the required attachments and recommendations to:

**Congressman Gus M. Bilirakis**  
**Attention: Academy Nominations**  
**8731 Citizens Drive, Suite 135**  
**New Port Richey, FL 34654**

Application Due: **October (first Friday) by 4:00 P.M.**

Interviews: **Held in November**

The deadline for receiving the completed application package is RECEIVED (not postmarked) by  
**4:00 P.M. on the first Friday of October.**

You may **hand deliver packets in person to any of our district offices by making prior arrangements with our staff.**



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Please attach recent  
photograph  
in the space provided.  
Photos should be no larger  
than 2x3

#### PERSONAL DATA

Last		First	
Middle		Preferred	
Street Address			
City		County	Zip
Mobile Phone		DOB	Congressional District
Home Phone		Email	
Temporary Address (if applicable)			
Are you a citizen of the United States?		Are you a Florida Resident?	
YES	NO	YES	NO
Do you suffer from any allergies?		If yes, please explain on separate sheet of paper	
YES	NO		
Have you ever been convicted of a crime?		If yes, please explain on separate sheet of paper	
YES	NO		
Have you previously applied for a nomination from Congressman Bilirakis?			
YES		NO	

Are your parents legal residents of the Twelfth Congressional District of Florida?				YES	NO
Father: Last		First		Middle	
Street Address					
City	County		State	Zip	
Mobile Phone		Email			
Employer					
Mother: Last		First		Middle	
Street Address					
City	County		State	Zip	
Mobile Phone		Email			
Employer					
Do you have any brothers and/or sisters?					
YES		NO			
If yes, please list their names and ages:					

#### ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Are you currently attending:		High School	College	Prep School	ENLISTED in the Military Active Duty/ Reserves or National Guard		
If check currently ENLISTED, provide branch of service					Grade	Length of Service Years	Months
Name of High School or College:							
Class Rank (if applicable)		out of		Graduation Date		Grade Point Average	
SAT Scores		Math	Reading/Writing		Total		
ACT Scores		Math	English	Reading	Science	Composite	
Do you plan to retake the SAT/ACT							YES NO
*Scores received after the October deadline may be hand delivered immediately or during interview.							If yes, when?

NOTE: We will accept test scores from transcripts or printed from the SAT and ACT websites as a backup.



EXTRACURRICULARS, AWARDS, AND  
**ACHIEVEMENTS**

Please check those that apply to you:															
Sport	Varsity	JV	Club	Sport	Varsity	JV	Club	Sport	Varsity	JV	Club	Other	Varsity	JV	Club
Baseball				Wrestling				Soccer							
Softball				Football				Swimming							
Basketball				Gymnastics				Tennis							
Cross Country				Lacrosse				Track							

Leadership	Leadership	Academics	Other
Eagle Scout/Gold Award	Student Government	Honor Roll	
Team Captain	Community Service/Volunteer	National Honor Society	
JROTC	AFJROTC	International Baccalaureate	
NJROTC	MJROTC	AP Scholar	

MILITARY ACADEMY INFORMATION

Nominations are possible to:

The U.S. Military Academy (West Point), The U.S. Naval Academy, The U.S. Merchant Marine Academy, or The U.S. Air Force Academy

Please rank each academy by order of preference:

\_\_\_\_ U.S. Military Academy      \_\_\_\_ U.S. Naval Academy      \_\_\_\_ U.S. Merchant Marine Academy      \_\_\_\_ U.S. Air Force Academy

*Please do not rank an academy unless you have applied with them or intend to apply with them*

Are you submitting an application to any other U.S. Representative or U.S. Senator?      YES      NO

If so, to whom was this application made?

**\*\*It is recommended that you submit an application to your U.S. Representative and both of your U.S. Senators\*\***

Do you give your consent to share your information with Congressman Bilirakis's office, U.S. Service Academies, and the Nominating Committee?

YES      NO      **\*\*Consent must be given in order to be considered for nomination**

Do you certify that all information submitted with this application is accurate?      YES      NO

If you have already applied to an academy, has a local admissions liaison been appointed to you yet?      YES      NO

If so, please list his/her name and academy represented:

List all universities/colleges to which you plan to apply:

Have you attended any of the following:

USNA Summer Seminar	USAFA Summer Seminar	USMA Summer Seminar
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Please provide any additional information regarding your personal extracurriculars, awards, and achievements.



## 1. Counselor / Principal

## 2. Teacher / Coach

## 3. Personal

The Applicant who has asked you for a recommendation is applying to my office for a nomination to a United States Service Academy. The purpose of the Academies is to provide a college education leading to a career as a military officer. The answers you give will be used in the selection process. **Please place the completed recommendation form in a sealed envelope, sign your name across the flap and return to the applicant.** Thank you for taking the time to complete this form.

### Recommendation/must contain at a minimum:

- Name of Applicant: (Last, First, Middle)
- How long have you known the applicant and in what capacity?
- What do you consider the applicant's talents or strengths with regard to leadership potential?
- What do you consider the applicant's weaknesses to be?
- In your opinion, would the applicant be able to effectively manage taking orders from superior officers?
- In your opinion, does the applicant show good character, moral values, and provide a good role model for younger students?
- Name/Title
- Relationship to Applicant
- Signature/Date



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SHORT ESSAY 1

WHY DO YOU WANT TO ATTEND A U.S. SERVICE ACADEMY?



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SHORT ESSAY 2

WHY IS IT IMPORTANT TO HAVE STRONG MILITARY OFFICERS?



SHORT ESSAY **3**

**WHY DO YOU BELIEVE YOU ARE QUALIFIED TO BE NOMINATED? WRITE A BRIEF CHARACTER SKETCH OF YOURSELF. INCLUDE BASIC ATTRIBUTES AND THOSE QUALITIES THAT YOU BELIEVE ARE YOUR STRENGTHS.**



**PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING**

I have read the information contained in this packet explaining the nomination process of Congressman Bilirakis.

I certify that I am a legal resident of the Twelfth Congressional District of Florida. Go to <http://www.house.gov/htbin/findrep> to make sure you reside in the 12th District.

I understand the Congressman's requirements, including the requirement of a panel interview, if eligible. I am also aware of the application deadline of the first Friday of October.

There is no known reason I should not be medically qualified to receive an appointment to a service academy, if nominated.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*Physical signature required. Electronic signature not accepted.*

Paste copy of driver's license here