



**U.S. AIR FORCE  
ACADEMY**



# Service Academy Night

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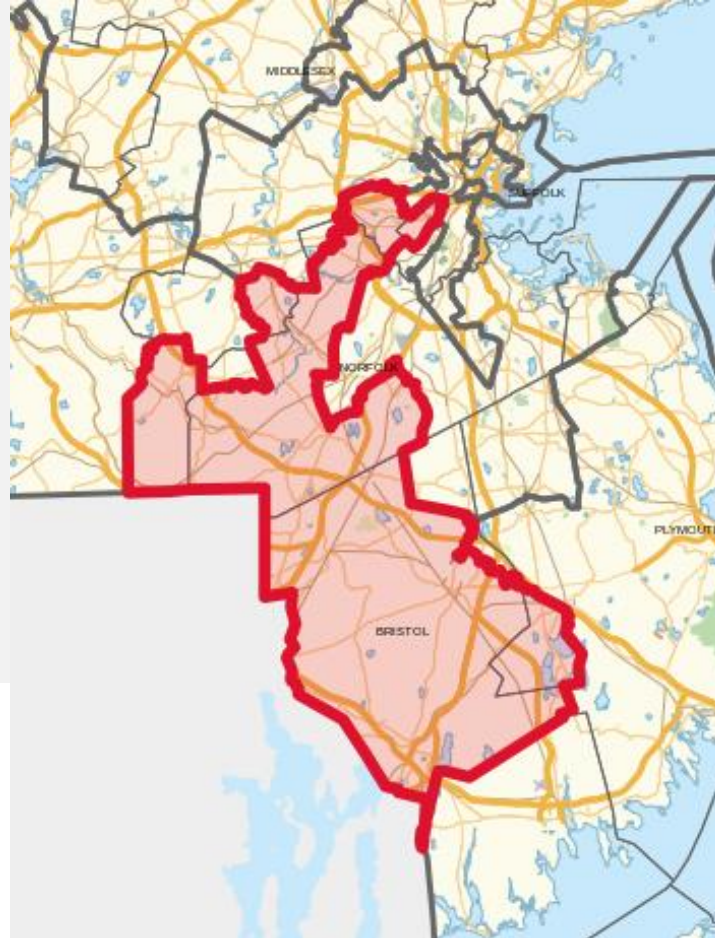
Congressman Jake Auchincloss

# Schedule Overview

- ☐ Welcome from Congressman Auchincloss
- ☐ Congressional Nomination Process
- ☐ United States Military Academies
  - United States Military Academy at West Point
  - United States Naval Academy
  - United States Merchant Marine Academy
  - United States Air Force Academy
  - United States Coast Guard Academy
- ☐ Close







## Massachusetts 4<sup>th</sup> Congressional District

Attleboro, Bellingham, Berkley, Blackstone, Brookline, Dighton, Dover, Fall River, Foxborough, Franklin, Freetown, Hopedale, Lakeville, Mansfield, Mendon, Milford, Millis, Millville, Needham, Newton, Norfolk, North Attleborough, Norton, Plainville, Raynham (Precincts 2A, 3, 4, 4A), Rehoboth, Seekonk, Sharon, Sherborn, Somerset, Swansea, Taunton, Wellesley (Precincts E, F), Wrentham

# The Congressional Nomination Process

- Every year, each Member of Congress is authorized to nominate candidates to four\* U.S. Service Academies:
  - United States Military Academy at West Point
  - United States Naval Academy
  - United States Merchant Marine Academy
  - United States Air Force Academy
- In addition to applying directly to a Service Academy, all applicants are required to obtain a nomination. Nominations may be awarded by United States Senators, United States Representatives, and the Vice President. Additional nomination sources include Reserve Officer Training Corps Units, children of deceased or disabled veterans, and children of Medal of Honor recipients.
- Every Senator and Representative uses different criteria when awarding academy nominations.
- Congressman Auchincloss uses a holistic approach, taking into consideration an applicant's academics, leadership, and service to determine who receives a nomination.
- Congressman Auchincloss utilizes an independent panel to interview applicants and review applications.

\*Individuals interested in applying to the United States Coast Guard Academy are not required to receive a nomination.

# Eligibility

Candidates seeking a nomination to a Service Academy from Congressman Auchincloss must meet the following eligibility requirements:

- ❖ **Residency:** Reside in the Fourth Congressional District\*
- ❖ **Age:** At least 17 years old but not have passed your 23<sup>rd</sup> birthday
- ❖ **Citizenship:** Must be a U.S. citizen
- ❖ **Marital Status/Dependents:** Must be unmarried, not pregnant, and without legal obligations to support children or other dependents
- ❖ **Skill/Fitness:** Meet medical, physical, and academic skill requirements of the Academy

\*Individuals seeking a nomination to the USMMA may reside anywhere in Massachusetts.

# Application Checklist

- ☐ Complete initial application on our website and submit the hard copy to our Newton Office
- ☐ Personal statement about why you want to attend a Service Academy
- ☐ Official High School Transcript: Sent directly from school officials
- ☐ Official SAT Scores  
Official ACT Scores
- ☐ Resume of extracurricular activities
- ☐ 3 Letters of Recommendation
- ☐ Schedule interview with Congressman's Academy Panel

All materials must be received in our Newton office by Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup> at 5pm.

# Grade Breakdown

Application Category	Weight
GPA	50%
SAT/ACT	20%
Leadership and Extracurricular Activities	10%
Letters of Recommendation	5%
Interview	15%



# Selection Process

- After a thorough review of application material, each applicant will receive a final score.
- Applicants with a top ten final score for each academy will receive a nomination from Congressman Auchincloss.
- Students who do not earn a top ten score for their first academy choice may still earn a top ten score for their second academy choice.
- Each service academy will independently review every applicant who receives a congressional nomination and issue offers of appointment at their discretion.
- *A Congressional nomination to a Service Academy does **not** guarantee admission to the Academy.*



# Congressional Nomination Timeline



Application Goes Live  
Summer 2023\*



Applications Due  
October 20, 2023



Interviews  
Mid-November/Early December



Nomination Decisions  
End of December

# Reserve Office Training Corps (ROTC)



# Questions?

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