



CLASS OF 2023
SERVICE
ACADEMY
NOMINATIONS

CONGRESSMAN
PAT FALLON
TEXAS DISTRICT 4



OVERVIEW

14 APPOINTMENTS

AS OF 05.23.23

13 STUDENTS

BREAKDOWN

5 USAFA **1 USMA**

4 USMMA **4 USNA**

24 NOMINATIONS

18 STUDENTS

BREAKDOWN

9 USAFA **3 USMA**

4 USMMA **8 USNA**

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DYLAN "MAJOR" BARKLEY

NOMINATIONS:

- US MERCHANT MARINES ACADEMY



Major has received an appointment to the United States Merchant Marines Academy. This is our second year giving Major a nomination to USMMA. After receiving a nomination last year to attend the academy, Major sustained an injury that prevented him from enrolling at the academy. Over the last year he has overcome much to pursue his future, and we are incredibly proud of him.

ETHAN GLUCK

NOMINATIONS:
- US NAVAL ACADEMY



Ethan has received a full appointment to attend the US Naval Academy. Recruited as a swimmer, Ethan participated in the USA NCSA Junior National Championships in 2022 and got first place in the Junior National Championship 200 meter Butterfly. Ethan will do great things at the Naval Academy!

AYDEN GOODMAN

NOMINATIONS:
- US NAVAL ACADEMY
- US AIR FORCE ACADEMY



Ayden has accepted his full appointment offer from the United States Naval Academy, but also received an appointment offer from the Air Force Academy. Not only is Ayden the valedictorian of his class at Whitewright High School, but he plays 3 varsity sports, football, track, and tennis, while also serving as the President of Student Council. He is also the Vice President of FFA! An amazing student - committed to service.

KEANU GOTAY

NOMINATIONS:
- US AIR FORCE ACADEMY



Keanu has graduated from the US Air Force Academy Prep School and received a full appointment to USAFA. Keanu is an exemplary student and an innate and passionate leader who works hard to succeed in everything he does. These qualities were quickly recognized at the Prep School, which allowed Keanu to serve as a Flight Commander charged with the care and accountability of over 20 junior airmen.

ALEXANDER "PEYTON" HARBIN

NOMINATIONS:

- US MERCHANT MARINES ACADEMY
- US AIR FORCE ACADEMY



Peyton has accepted his full appointment offer from the Merchant Marine Academy. Following in the footsteps of his three older siblings who have all attended service academies and a family dedicated to service, Peyton will no doubt flourish during his time at the Merchant Marine Academy.

HOUSTON HAWKINS

NOMINATIONS:

- US AIR FORCE ACADEMY



Houston has graduated from the US Air Force Academy Prep School and received a full appointment to USAFA. He is a talented athlete and a student driven to achieve excellence. He is a natural leader, and volunteered his time in high school to coach middle school students in 7 on 7 football. He has accomplished great things at the Prep School as well.

RYAN LESTER

NOMINATIONS:

- US MERCHANT MARINES ACADEMY
- US NAVAL ACADEMY



Ryan has received a full appointment offer to the Merchant Marines Academy. Not only is he a star student, Ryan also excels as a race club swimmer and lives out a life serving others as the President of the Young Men's Service League.

ALEXANDER LOHMAR

NOMINATIONS:
- US AIR FORCE ACADEMY



Alexander has graduated from the US Air Force Academy Prep School and received a full appointment to USAFA. In high school, Alexander's leadership capabilities shone through his tenure as the JROTC Corps Commander. He served as the Group Commander of 216 Cadet Candidates at the Prep School. Alexander is an exemplary leader and model student who has a bright future ahead.

ALYSSA PATTERSON

NOMINATIONS:
- US MILITARY ACADEMY



Alyssa was appointed to the US Military Academy. Not only Denison High School's valedictorian, Alyssa has also balanced her position on the Varsity Soccer Team, and as the National Honor Society President. Alyssa is a natural leader who always puts 100% of her effort towards achieving excellence, but perhaps one of her most notable qualities was stated best by one of her recommendation letters: "Community is important to Alyssa – she is the first to volunteer if someone needs help – and she does it with a smile on her face."

MAURICIO PEREZ

NOMINATIONS:
- US NAVAL ACADEMY



Mauricio has graduated from the US Naval Academy Prep School and received a full appointment to USNA. Mauricio has dealt with some difficult obstacles, but he utilized these as motivation for his tremendous success. Mauricio is an outstanding student and athlete, who is known well for his positive attitude throughout all things.

PRESTON PLANK

NOMINATIONS:

- US MERCHANT MARINE ACADEMY



Preston has received a full appointment offer from the US Merchant Marines Academy. Preston is a dedicated athlete being recruited to play baseball – but yet his desire to attend an academy extends beyond his hopes of playing ball, to his aspiration to serve others above all else. As evidenced through not only his application and recommendation letters, but also through his character, Preston has set his moral compass on an unwavering foundation, and holds strong to his faith.

KATENCE PUTCHINSKI

NOMINATIONS:

- US AIR FORCE ACADEMY



Katence not only received a nomination to the United States Air Force Academy, but has been offered a full appointment. Recruited for her abilities as a swimmer, Katence was a qualifier for the USA Swimming Junior Nationals. She is a strong woman determined to achieve success, and does not let disappointment deter her from chasing her dreams.

SHELBY RAINES

NOMINATIONS:

- US NAVAL ACADEMY



Shelby is currently attending the US Naval Academy Prep School. As a high school student, Shelby was actively involved in JROTC – an outlet for her leadership and scholastic capabilities. Her drive for success and desire to serve others is extremely admirable, and key to the tremendous strides Shelby has taken at NAPS.

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BENJAMIN "ADDISON" BROWN



NOMINATIONS:

- US AIR FORCE ACADEMY
- US NAVAL ACADEMY

Addison received two nominations from our office – one to the United States Air Force Academy, and one to the United States Naval Academy. Not only does Addison come from a legacy of family members who have served our great country, but he also is dedicated leader at Rockwall High School through his involvement as drum major, and in robotics club.

JACKSON LAVENDER



NOMINATIONS:

- US AIR FORCE ACADEMY
- US MILITARY ACADEMY

Jackson is a student pilot with a heart dedicated to serve those around him, Jackson works as the State Recruiting Advisor to Texas Wing – Civil Air Patrol to mentor all 72 other state squadrons to reach success. Not only does Jackson help those around him to succeed, but his drive for his personal accomplishments is unparalleled, and extremely admirable.

PRESTON SCHAFFER



NOMINATIONS:

- US MILITARY ACADEMY

Preston received a nomination to the United States Military Academy, hoping to follow in the footsteps of his father, who graduated from West Point in 1998. As a member of JROTC, Preston is dedicated to servant leadership. He is also the President of the Climbing Club, and a member of the Superintendent's Student Advisory Council for Prosper ISD.

JONATHAN VARNAN

NOMINATIONS:

- US NAVAL ACADEMY
- US AIR FORCE ACADEMY



Although Jonathan came from a culture that did not see military service as a desired pathway, Jonathan was inspired to attend an academy by his cousin who joined the military a few years ago. Jonathan is both an exemplary student and football player, who believes, "it would be an honor to serve the country that gave him everything."

EMORY WILLIAMS

NOMINATIONS:

- US NAVAL ACADEMY



Emory has faced extremely difficult obstacles in his life, but instead of giving up, he allowed them to shape and better him into the magnificent young man he is. As the President of Trenton High School's robotics club, Emory's leadership and intelligence has led his team to win two UIL Boosting Engineering Science and Technology Division 1 Texas State Championships in three years.