The U.S. Naval Academy (USNA) is seeking top performing, energetic male and female Sailors and Marines, active and reserve, who have demonstrated strong leadership, for admission to the Naval Academy Class of 2024. Among each USNA class is a corps of prior-enlisted Sailors and Marines who infuse peer-level Fleet experience into the Brigade of Midshipmen. Twenty years from now, these young men and women, from all walks of American life, will lead our Fleet. Commanding Officers (CO) are encouraged to identify motivated enlisted personnel who meet the criteria and may be good candidates for selection to the USNA.

2. Successful candidates will be top-quality Sailors and Marines who fit the following profile:

   a. Academics

      (1) Possess a strong high school grade point average indicating the potential to succeed at the USNA. Fleet applicants ranked in the top 40 percent of their high school class are typically considered competitive.

      (2) Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) scores taken within the last two years. The SAT is a three-part test consisting of reading, math, and writing. Applicants should aim to score above 500 in reading (verbal) and above 550 in math, with a combined minimum of 1050. There is no recommended score for the writing component, but it may be used for evaluation purposes. For applicants who have taken the American College Test (ACT) within the last two years, scores of 22 in english and 24 in math are recommended. Potential candidates with SAT or ACT scores that are older than two years or below these guidelines are strongly encouraged to retake the test.
(3) Typically completed four years of mathematics, including a strong foundation in geometry, algebra, and trigonometry; four years of English; and one year of chemistry. Additionally, physics, calculus, history, and two years of a foreign language are strongly recommended. Continued education since high school is vital; candidates are encouraged to strengthen their admission application with college courses in higher math and sciences.

(4) If schedule permits, applicants are encouraged to complete college courses that display current academic ability.

b. Top performers who have demonstrated or possess strong leadership (e.g., past and present Command Junior Sailors/Bluejackets of the Quarter/Year, top 20 percent performers in "A" and "C" schools, class leaders, Honor Guard members, and community volunteers).

c. Good moral character and unquestionable loyalty to the United States, as determined by a command interview and military recommendations.

d. No record of disciplinary action under Article 15, Uniform Code of Military Justice, or conviction by civil court (except minor traffic violations) during the three years preceding application for admission. Waivers are on a case-by-case basis.

e. We are seeking candidates with outstanding physical fitness. In addition to passing the Candidate Fitness Assessment in the USNA application, candidates need to have demonstrated the ability to pass the Naval Academy physical fitness requirements within the last year. The USNA Physical Readiness Test standards (Minimum Passing Scores) are:

1. Curl-ups (Two minutes): 65 (Male/Female);
2. Push-ups (Two minutes): 45 (Male); 20 (Female); and
3. 1.5 mile Run: 10:30 (male); 12:40 (Female).

f. Must not have passed their 23rd birthday on 1 July of the year of admission to the USNA.

g. Must not be married, pregnant, or have incurred obligations of parenthood.

3. Candidates with superior academic performance and strong military backgrounds may receive direct appointments to the USNA. Top performers who need to strengthen their academic background may be selected to attend the Naval Academy Preparatory School (NAPS) in Newport, RI for one year and receive an appointment to the USNA the following year.

4. Personnel selected to attend the USNA or NAPS must be medically qualified by the Department of Defense Medical Examination Review Board (DoDMERB) in order to be commissioned as an officer in the Navy or Marine Corps. Once candidates complete 50 percent of the application, their name will be sent to DoDMERB for the physical and eye exams. The candidate will be contacted by Concorde, the DoDMERB contractor, with information on
where to receive the physical and eye exams. The Service Member will be contacted by the USNA Fleet Coordinator with information on how to get the physical and eye exams completed at their own Military Treatment Facility as an alternative. Reference (a) provides medical standards.

5. Up to 170 regular and reserve personnel may be appointed to the USNA each year. The deadline to apply to the Class of 2024 is December 31, 2019. The deadline for all completed application documents is January 31, 2020. Applicants are strongly encouraged to complete their application as soon as possible. Packages completed before January 31, 2020 will be reviewed by the Admissions Board as soon as received. Packages will not be reviewed without the CO’s endorsement. References (b) and (c) provide guidance.

6. An applicant becomes an official candidate by submitting a preliminary application on-line at www.usna.edu/admissions. After designation as a candidate, a candidate number, username, and password will be assigned and the candidate will be directed to complete the on-line application at www.usna.edu/candidateinformation. USNA operates on a rolling admissions process and Fleet applicants are encouraged to complete their applications early to improve competitiveness.

7. Direct application questions to the Fleet Liaison at (410) 293-1839/DSN 281 or bland@usna.edu, or write to: U.S. Naval Academy, Candidate Guidance Office, Halsey Field House, 52 King George St, Annapolis, MD 21402-1318, Attn: Fleet Liaison.

8. Additional information about the USNA may be obtained at https://www.usna.edu/Admissions/Steps-for-Admission/Active-Duty-Service-Applicants.php.

9. Released by the Honorable Richard V. Spencer, Secretary of the Navy. //