

USMA Admission Visit
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FIELD FORCE

- *Candidate Contact, attend college fairs, interview; discuss Academy and ROTC opportunities
- *First is meeting w/FF for overview of Academy, second use the admissions web site (<http://admissions.westpoint.edu>) to open file & apply
- ***Bill Koch** is Field Force member and can serve as a Ridge liaison: **Bill Koch** (kochbkoch@aol.com)

APPLICANT POOL

- *15,000 apps/1200 accepted
- *Only 3000 applicants are academically and physically qualified and receive a nomination
- *Actual pool is 2:1 50% accepted
- *Offer of Admission is nonbinding

*End game of the Academy – **A Profession of Arms**:

Rigorous specialized training
Hold selves to higher standards
Selfless service to other

***Enlisted vs Officer Ranks (Academy & ROTC)**

Enlisted - split option program
Academy - Leadership Lessons within daily experiences on campus, WP 20% officers
ROTC - more flexible in leadership training and in how you fulfill your commitment

ADMISSION PROCESS

*First step in applying for the student is through the Candidate Portal

1) Academic Qualification: The application, transcript, letters of rec, and essay
60% acad, 20% rank, 20% SATs
***WP does not require rank – will estimate it (!!)**

2) Physical Fitness Qualification: 6-Event Physical Fitness Test
Push up, sit up, pull up, shuttle run, kneel basket throw, 1-mile run

3) Medical Qualification

Physical @ local area: 55% = satisfactory, 45% = yellow or red flag
RED FLAG = Medical disqualify (asthma, hearing, visions, allergies)
*Competitive candidate can pursue a medical waiver
YELLOW FLAG = further testing

4) Nomination (Congressional or other members)

Apply for every nomination you are eligible for to find a slot available in the class
Competing twice: 5 vacancies per member
Nominate up to 10 candidates
Use a nomination committee

APPLICATION REVIEW

60% - Academics
30% = Leadership (Sports = 10%, Extracurricular = 10%, Classroom = 10% -- Ltrs Rec
10% = Physical Fitness Test Performance

CLASS COMPENSATION GOALS: Tweaking the class

1. Scholars
2. Leaders
3. Athletes
4. Females
5. Soldiers
6. Minorities

****Two handouts provided by USMA Admissions Representative****