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UNITED STATES COAST GUARD ACADEMY NATIONWIDE COMPETITION

WASHINGTON -- Senator Bob Dole (R.-Kansas) announced today that the United States Coast Guard Academy is now accepting and processing applications for appointment as Cadet, U.S. Coast Guard, Class of 1985. Applications are being accepted from both men and women.

Senator Dole stressed that appointments to the United States Coast Guard Academy are tendered solely on the basis of an annual nationwide competition with no congressional appointments or geographical quotas involved. Applications for appointment must be submitted to the Director of Admissions, United States Coast Guard Academy, prior to December 15, 1980. Candidates must arrange to participate in either the College Board Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) or American College Testing Assessment (ACT) prior to or including the December 6, 1980, administration for the SAT and the December 13, 1980, administration for the ACT. The competition for appointment as Cadet is based on the candidate's high school rank, performance on either the SAT or ACT, and leadership potential as demonstrated by participation in high school extracurricular activities, community affairs and/or part-time employment. Most successful candidates rank in the top quarter of their high school class and demonstrate proficiency in both the mathematical and applied science fields.

To qualify for the competition, an applicant must be unmarried at the time of appointment, have no legal obligation resulting from a previous marriage, and must have reached the age of 17 but not 22 by July 1, 1981. All applicants must be assured of high school graduation by June 30, 1981. Applicants must have completed three units in English, and three in mathematics to include algebra and plane or coordinate geometry of their equivalents, and must fulfill basic physical and moral requirements.

Senator Dole emphasized that Coast Guard Cadets obtain an excellent undergraduate education at no personal expense. In addition, they receive pay and allowances fully adequate to fulfill their ordinary living expenses. The constantly updated Academy curriculum offers nine majors which include: electrical, civil, ocean and marine engineering; marine, mathematical and physical sciences; management and government. These areas of academic interest, combined with varied elective courses, establish a solid foundation for a challenging career. Graduates of the Academy are awarded a Bachelor of Science degree and are commissioned as Ensigns in the United States Coast Guard. Selected officers may pursue further postgraduate education and specialized training in many leading civilian and military graduate or professional schools in such fields as aviation, business administration, electronics, engineering, law and oceanography.

The young Academy graduate can look forward to a varied, exciting, and demanding career as a regular Coast Guard Officer. The Coast Guard performs essential humanitarian missions vital to the safety and saving of lives at sea. Under the auspices of the Department of Transportation, the Coast Guard establishes and coordinates search and rescue operations by ship and plane, maintains advanced electronic and other aids to navigation scattered around the globe, operates the icebreakers which clear the way for all polar expeditions, and enforces marine law and all aspects of Merchant Marine safety. In addition, the Coast Guard has responsibility for boating safety and marine environmental protection.

Applications and additional information may be obtained by writing to: Director of Admissions, United States Coast Guard Academy, New London, Connecticut 06320.



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•Dear Senator:

I am seeking your assistance in informing young men and women in your state of the opportunity for appointment as a Cadet in the Class of 1985 at the U. S. Coast Guard Academy. This will be most appreciated because it is my desire to achieve broad representation by states in the Cadet Corps.

Appointments as Coast Guard Cadets are tendered solely on the basis of an annual nationwide competition, without geographic or other quotas. All young Americans who can meet the eligibility requirements are encouraged to apply.

Opportunities exist for those who possess the requisite career interests, scholastic ability, moral character and physical aptitude. Coast Guard Cadets obtain an excellent undergraduate education at no personal expense, and, in addition, receive pay and allowances fully adequate to fulfill all their ordinary living expenses. The constantly updated Academy curriculum offers a choice of nine academic majors which, when combined with the varied elective courses, establish a solid foundation for a challenging career. Graduates of the Academy are awarded a Bachelor of Science degree and are commissioned as Ensigns in the U. S. Coast Guard.

Our deadline for submitting applications for the next annual nationwide competition is December 15, 1980. Prospective applicants should arrange through their high school counselors to complete either the College Board Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) or American College Testing Assessment (ACT) prior to or including the December 1980 administration. Any test results after that date cannot be accepted. Inquiries and requests concerning admission should be addressed to Director of Admissions, U. S. Coast Guard Academy, New London, Connecticut 06320.

I am enclosing Academy literature and a press release which you may desire to use in informing young Americans of this opportunity.

I appreciate your continued interest in advising young Americans of the educational and career opportunities offered by the U. S. Coast Guard Academy.

Sincerely yours,

M. E. CLARK
Rear Admiral, U. S. Coast Guard

Enclosures