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SENATOR DOLE NOW ACCEPTING ACADEMY APPLICATIONS

Senator Robert Dole (R.-Kan.) today announced that he is accepting applications from young Kansans who are interested in securing a nomination and appointment to a United States service academy for admission in July, 1983. All applicants must be residents of Kansas.

In the two-step process, nominations will be made by Senator Dole to the United States Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs, Colorado, the United States Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, New York, the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York, and the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland.

Those nominees are further screened by the Board of Admissions of each academy which then offers a limited number of appointments for admission.

"The competition is highly competitive and ultimately provides a fine opportunity for qualified young men and women who aspire to service in our nation's armed forces," said Senator Dole. "Strong academic records, including ACT or SAT test score results, leadership experience, performance on a physical skills test, and a medical evaluation are factors considered in the selection process."

Appointments to the United States Coast Guard Academy are tendered solely on the basis of nationwide competition. Young people interested in becoming a Coast Guard cadet should contact the Admissions Office, United States Coast Guard Academy, New London, Connecticut 06320.

Senator Dole's application materials may be obtained by writing to him at 2213 Dirksen Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510. Deadline for return of the completed papers is December 4, 1982. The slate of nominees will be announced in mid-February, 1983. The academies announce their appointments as decisions are made during the two months that follow.