

**Wally  
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### **Herger Announces Nominees to United States Service Academies**

#### *Students to Compete Nationwide for Service Academy Appointments*

**CHICO, CA - Congressman Wally Herger announced that he has nominated fifteen candidates to the U.S. Service Academies. These academies consist of the U.S. Military Academy, U.S. Naval Academy, U.S. Air Force Academy, U.S. Coast Guard Academy, and U.S. Merchant Marine Academy.**

"These young men, their families, teachers, and friends should all be proud," Herger said. "Each nominee is a shining example of a fine young American. I am pleased to have nominated such talented and capable students."

Universally recognized as some of the nation's top colleges, each service academy accepts approximately 1,000 students per year and prides itself on developing and inspiring America's future military leaders. Only the nation's top students are accepted. Academy graduates often go on to successful careers in the military. Some choose a more spectacular route, including careers in the space program, the halls of Congress, and even the Presidency!

Congressman Herger based his nominations on the recommendations of his Screening Committee, which is responsible for interviewing the applicants, reviewing their files, and recommending a slate of nominees. Having been nominated, the students must now compete with other nominees nationwide for an appointment to the academies. Academy officials will be offering appointments this spring.

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Congressman Herger's nominees are:

**Christopher Conklin of Redding**

Foothill High School

Nominated to the United States Naval Academy, United States Air Force Academy  
and the United States Merchant Marine Academy

**Kristen Ellison of Yreka**

Yreka High School

Nominated to the United States Naval Academy and the United States Air Force Academy

**Austin Fritzke of Mount Shasta**

Mt. Shasta High School

Nominated to the United States Air Force Academy

**Jimmy Henson of Mount Shasta**

Mt. Shasta High School

Nominated to the United States Naval Academy and the United States Air Force Academy

**Bryan Hull of Shingletown**

Foothill High School

Nominated to the United States Naval Academy and the United States Air Force Academy

**Sean Jacobs of Redding**

Foothill High School

Nominated to the United States Military Academy (ARMY) and the United States Naval Academy

**Anthony Lavy of Yuba City**

Sutter Union High School

Nominated to the United States Naval Academy and the United States Air Force Academy

**Eric Lewis of Anderson**

West Valley High School

Nominated to the United States Merchant Marines Academy

**Kevin McFerrin of Redding**

Anderson High School

Nominated to the United States Military Academy (ARMY)

**Jack Raine II of Dunsmuir**

Dunsmuir High School

Nominated to the United States Naval Academy and the United States Air Force Academy

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**David Rehse of Orland**

Orland High School  
Nominated to the United States Air Force Academy

**Troy Robison of Yuba City**

Sutter Union High School  
Nominated to the United States Air Force Academy

**Kevin Rourke of Hayfork**

Daleville High School  
Nominated to the United States Military Academy (ARMY)

**Timothy Sullivan of Weaverville**

Trinity High School  
Nominated to the United States Military Academy (ARMY) and the United States Air Force Academy

**Scott Wright of Yuba City**

Yuba City High School  
Nominated to the United States Military Academy (ARMY)

*Any student with a strong desire to serve our nation as an officer in the United States Armed Forces is invited to contact Congressman Herger in the spring of their junior year. Write to Congressman Wally Herger at the following address:*

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