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News and Info for Cadets and Parents

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*See below for news and information from Sea Cadets National Headquarters!
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NEW

Selective Service Reminder for Male Cadets and Parents

The Selective Service System has been a distinguished part of our history for over a century, spanning throughout eras of conflict as well as during peacetime. Its mission is to provide military personnel during a time of national crisis; in short, the Selective Service System is our nation's best insurance policy. Federal law requires all men ages 18-25 who are U.S. Citizens and those who have dual citizenship living abroad to register within 30 days of their 18th birthday. Once a man turns 26, he is unable to register and may become ineligible for the following:

- Many student loans, scholarships, and grants
- Free job training under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)
- Millions of federal and state government jobs
- A streamlined process for citizenship

We invite you to view a brief video on who needs to register [here](#).

How to Register

Young men ages 18-25 can register in one of the following ways:

- Online by visiting www.sss.gov/register (must have social security number)
- Using the printable registration form <https://www.sss.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/Form-1-Redesign-inside.pdf>
- At any U.S. post office by filling out the SSS Form 1
- Some Department of Motor Vehicle (DMV) offices when obtaining a driver's license (visit sss.gov/register/state-commonwealth-legislation to learn more)

This weekend

February 19 – U.S. Coast Guard Reserve birthday. Learn about their history [here](#).

February 20 – President's Day

REMINDERS

U.S. Naval Academy Webinar – Save the Date

Thursday evening, 23 FEB 2023, 8:00 – 9:00 PM EST, cadets and parents are invited to join a virtual U.S. Naval Academy admissions webinar. See Zoom link below.

Topic: U.S. Naval Academy Admissions Information Session

Time: Feb 23, 2023 08:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Link to join the zoom meeting:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86819996894?pwd=b20rSzFablVRQkNNajRjV1VmK2Q2QT09>

International Exchange Program (IEP)

The International Exchange Program (IEP) is returning for Summer 2023! The window for applications to the IEP for both Sea Cadets and adult volunteers **will open on Monday, 6 March 2023**. More information is forthcoming; but if you're interested in going on an exchange out of the country, apply for or renew your passport **now** as passports are required for your application. For more information on the IEP and its eligibility requirements, please read the IEP FAQs document available at seacadets.org/iep.

Calling All Writers

Cadets and adult volunteers are encouraged to submit articles about your recent winter training experiences, your community service or unit activities, or how the Sea Cadets have influenced your lives. Just submit a 2-paragraph story about your Sea Cadet experience, include a few, clear photos highlighting the subject and we'll see that your story's well taken care of. Please submit articles with photos to LCDR Linda Wright, NSCC at lwright@seacadets.org.

High School Essay Contest – USS Constitution Museum

As the USS *Constitution*, the oldest warship afloat, celebrates its 225th birthday (wow!), the museum is having a high school essay contest. Visit the museum's website via [this link](#) for more **information on how to participate**. It's open to high school students ages 9-12, and there are monetary prizes. The deadline to apply is March 31, 2023.

Service Academy Summer Training Opportunities

There are several training opportunities available this summer at military academies. Summarized on the following page is a chart with the application dates, fees, etc. (Please confirm these details directly with each academy as these may change).

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The USNA Office of Admissions began accepting applications on 04 JAN 2023 for their [competitive Summer STEM camps](#). This program is designed for rising 9th - 11th graders to reenforce a range of STEM topics, including robotics, computer programming, aerodynamics, and meteorology. Qualifying Sea Cadets, *especially* if they are interested in attending the USNA, are encouraged to apply.

Academy	Program Name	Applications Open	Deadline to Apply	2023 Fees	AT Credit	Who Can Apply?
USNA	Summer Seminar (NASS)	12/01/22	03/31/23	\$ 550.00	YES	Current HS Juniors
USNA	Summer STEM Seminar	1/04/23	04/15/23	\$ 800.00	YES	Rising 9th - 11th Graders
USCGA	Academy Information Mission (AIM)	02/08/23	04/15/23	\$ 750.00	YES	Current HS Juniors
USAFA	Summer Seminar	12/01/22	01/15/23	\$ 300.00	YES	Current HS Juniors
USMA	West Point Summer Leaders Experience (SLE)	02/01/23		\$ 625.00	YES	Current HS Juniors

UNIT RESOURCES

Uniform Tips

Conduct your own personal uniform inspection. Put on your dress uniform, stand in front of a mirror, and thoroughly review all aspects of a personnel inspection: neat hair cut (for very short hairstyles, don't forget to shave the back of your neck before inspection); trimmed and neat sideburns; clean-shaved face (males); clean and trimmed fingernails; neckerchief ends are even and the knot is a neat square; white undershirt is bright white, close to the neck, ironed; uniform is pressed with the proper creases; no pet hair or debris or dirt on the uniform; black socks are clean; black dress shoes are clean and polished; Dixie cup is clean, white, no dirt or debris or stains, all ribbons with appurtenances are up to date and in the correct order of precedence*, nameplate is affixed.

* You may find your virtual ribbon rack at your Quarterdeck home page under the Ribbon Rack icon. .



A summary of our weekly uniform tips during Annual Inspection season is available on the Quarterdeck (seacadets.org) under "News & Info."

Celebrating Black History Month

During the 1960s and 1970s, African Americans began commanding ships, submarines, and shore establishments. In 1974, the Navy issued its first Navy Equal Opportunity Manual and two years later issued its first Navy Affirmative Action Plan. And now, as in previous periods, African-American officers and enlisted personnel have continued to stand out among the Navy's best and brightest, gaining recognition in their roles as trailblazers:

Fleet Master Chief: Master Chief April D. Beldo

Master Diver: Master Chief Boatswain's Mate Carl M. Brashear

Naval Aviator: Ensign Jesse Brown

First African American U.S. Naval Academy Graduate: Wesley A. Brown

Naval Flag Officer: Vice Admiral Samuel L. Gravely Jr.

Navy Cross Recipient: Cook Third Class Doris Miller

WWI Chief: Chief Gunner's Mate John Henry "Dick" Turpin

First African American Female Officers: Frances Eliza Wills and Harriet Ida Pickens

First African American to command a nuclear-powered submarine: Captain Chancellor Alphonso "Pete" Tzomes

Ships Named in Honor of African Americans

[USS Doris Miller \(CVN-81\)](#)

[USS Oscar Austin \(DDG-79\)](#)

[USNS Carl Brashear \(T-AKE-7\)](#)

[USS Jesse L. Brown \(DE-1089\)](#)

[USS George Washington
Carver \(SSBN-656\)](#)

[USNS Charlton \(T-AKR-314\)](#)

[USS Rodney M. Davis \(FFG-60\)](#)

USNS Charles Drew (T-AKE-10)

[USNS Medgar Evers \(T-AKE-13\)](#)

[USS Gravely \(DDG-107\)](#)

[USS Harmon \(DE-678\)](#)

USNS Henson (T-AGS-63)

[USS Miller \(DE-1091\)](#)

[USS Pinckney \(DDG-91\)](#)

[USNS Watson \(T-AKR-310\)](#)

