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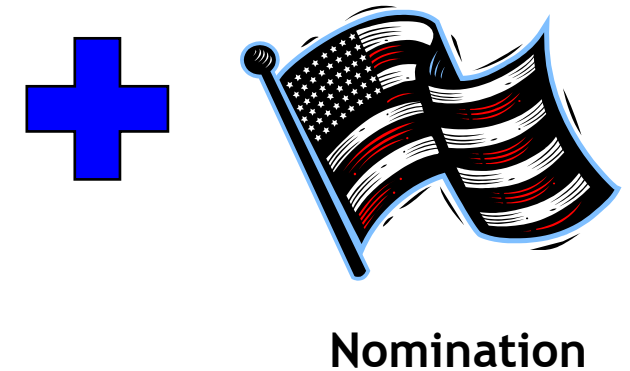
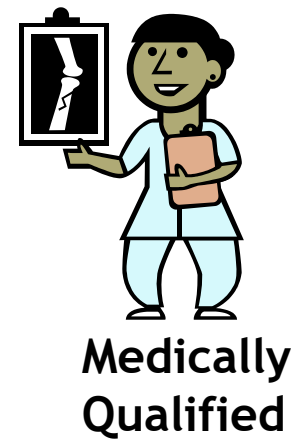
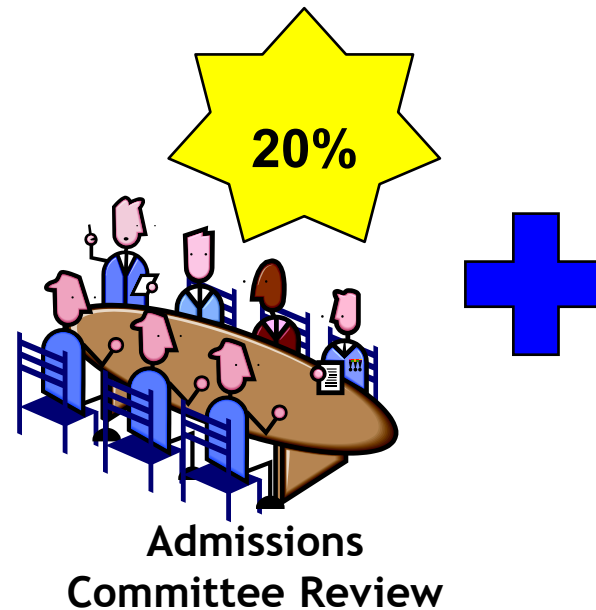
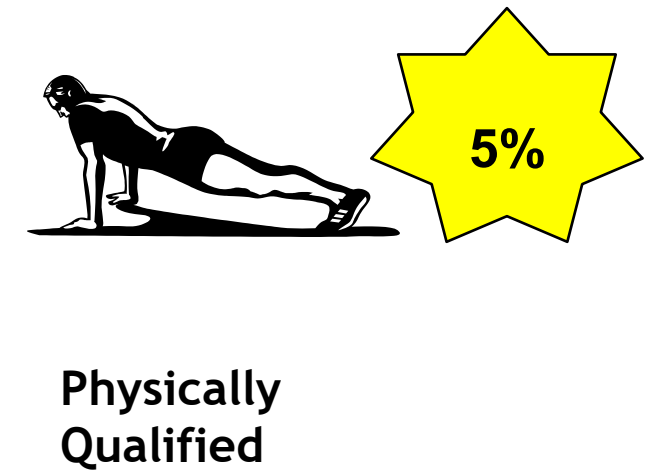
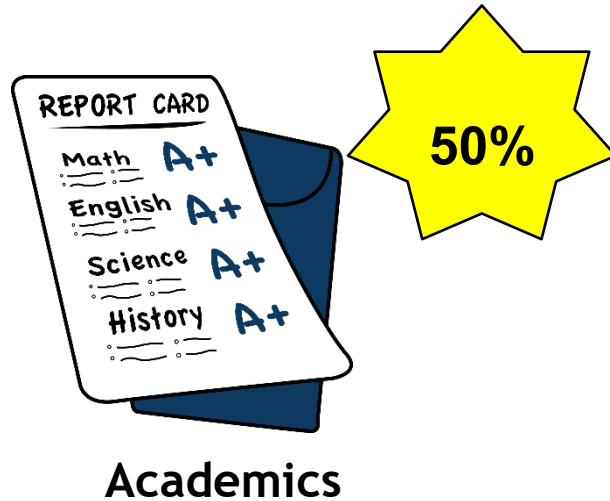
JROTC Briefing: Academy Admissions Process

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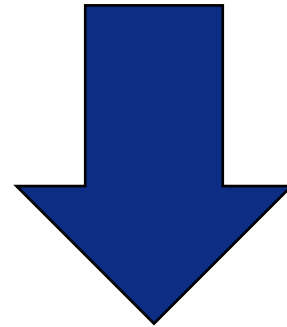
Missions and Vision Signposts

- **USAFA Mission**: To educate, train and inspire men and women to become officers of character motivated to lead the United States Air Force and Space Force in service to our nation
- **Admissions Mission**: USAFA Admissions attracts, recruits, **and delivers** a diverse group of young men and women who possess the attributes and drive to become officers of character, ready to lead the United States Air Force and Space Force in service to our Nation
- **Admissions Vision**: An innovative and agile organization, preparing the Air Force and Space Force for tomorrow by recruiting the nation's top talent today

Admissions Measures



- Pre-Candidate Questionnaire
- Candidate Kit
- Candidate Fitness Test
- Admissions Liaison Officer (ALO) Interview
- DoDMERB Medical Evaluation
- Nomination



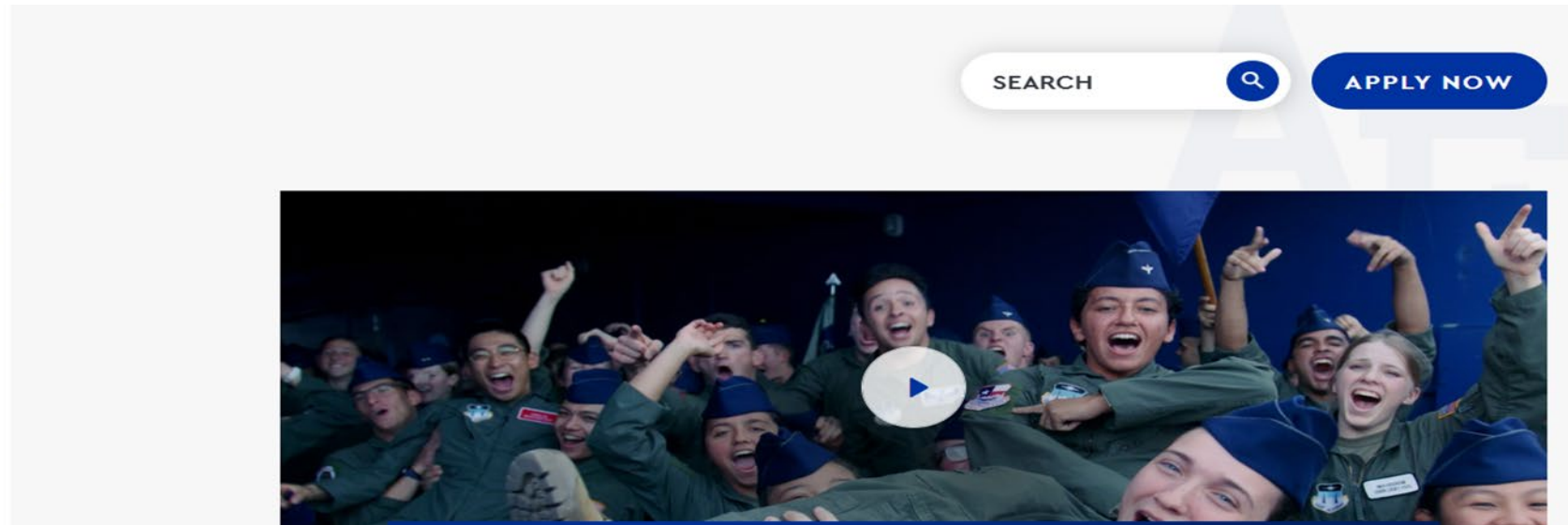
**ELIGIBLE TO COMPETE FOR AN
APPOINTMENT**

Begin the application process by submitting
the Pre-Candidate Questionnaire (PCQ)

www.academyadmissions.com



- Home
- Why the Academy?
- How Can I Prepare?
- Do I Meet the Requirements?
- How Do I Apply?
- Contact Us
- FAQ
- Let's Meet



■ Recommended high school curriculum

- 4 years of math
- 4 years of science with lab
- 4 years of English
- 3 years of history and social sciences
- 2 years of a modern foreign language
- 1 year of computer study

- Admissions will evaluate transcript and recalculate GPA
 - Additional weight for:
 - Advanced Placement (AP)
 - International Baccalaureate (IB)
 - Dual Credit
 - Honors
 - Exclude 'Non-academic' courses
- The recalculated GPA and test scores will be combined for an overall academic composite



- Take ACT/SAT early and often
- Have official scores sent directly to USAFA
- We accept the highest score from each category
- Submit updated scores through the end of January to become more competitive

- Three required Teacher Evaluations

- Math
- English
- Other (Science Teacher, JROTC Instructor, School Counselor, etc.)
- What type of **student** are you?

- Two optional Letters of Recommendation

- Not from family
- Not from teachers that already did evaluations
- What type of **person** are you?

- Medical examination coordinated by Department of Defense Medical Evaluation Review Board (DoDMERB)
 - Must submit Checklist Items marked with # before individual's name is sent to DoDMERB
 - DoDMERB will notify to schedule examination
 - Results sent to Admissions: Qualified/Disqualified

COMPLETE EXAMS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!

- **Candidate Fitness Assessment (CFA)**
 - Six events done in succession with timed rest periods
 - Basketball throw
 - Pull-ups/Flexed arm hang (female)
 - Shuttle Run
 - Sit-ups
 - Push-ups
 - Mile run
- Only one set of scores can be submitted.



PRACTICE AND BE PREPARED !

- **Congressional**
 - Representative
 - Both U.S. Senators
 - Vice President
- **Military Affiliated**
 - Presidential
 - Honor Military Schools / AFJROTC / AFROTC
 - Regular/ Reserve Airman
 - Deceased / Disabled / MIA
 - Medal of Honor



APPLY NOW FOR A NOMINATION!

- Apply to every nominating source for which you are eligible
- Consult congressional websites for procedures and deadlines (www.senate.gov and www.house.gov)
- A separate nomination is required for each service academy
- Nominations are good for the current admissions cycle only
- Individuals from high schools designated as honor military schools are eligible for the honor military school / AFJROTC nomination
 - The Holme Center determines school eligibility for AFJROTC and forwards the school eligibility list to USAFA

- The process for Honor Military Schools and Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps
- Available on our website:
https://www.academyadmissions.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/07/ROTC-Nomination-Form_May2023-2.pdf
- Download and complete
- A copy of the unit order is required to verify eligibility for the nomination type

ROTC Nomination for Appointment United States Air Force Academy (Submit Prior to 31 January)		
DISCLOSURE: Voluntary; however, failure to provide the required information may prevent the candidate from being processed for a ROTC nomination to the United States Air Force Academy.		
Please type or print all entries. Return nomination to: USAFRRSC.orgmail@afacademy.af.edu . We cannot process a nomination unless the candidate has completed an application.		
SECTION I. CANDIDATE INFORMATION		
1. NAME (Last, First, MI):	2. USAFA STUDENT ID:	3. HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION YEAR:
4. MAILING ADDRESS:		5. CONGRESSIONAL STATE & DISTRICT:
SECTION II. SCHOOL AND NOMINATION INFORMATION		
6. NAME OF SCHOOL/INSTITUTION:	7. MAILING ADDRESS:	8. DETACHMENT NUMBER:
9. PLEASE CHECK THE CORRECT BLOCK TO CERTIFY YOUR RECOMMENDATION FOR A NOMINATION. (You must also include a copy of your unit order, so we can verify your eligibility to nominate.):		
☐ AFJROTC	Air Force Corps Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps - The candidate is currently enrolled in a JROTC program at the institution listed. I recommend him/her for a nomination for appointment to the United States Air Force Academy under this category.	
☐ AFROTC	Air Force Corps Reserve Officer Training Corps - The candidate is currently enrolled in the ROTC program at the college/university listed. I recommend him/her for a nomination for appointment to the United States Air Force Academy under the ROTC category.	
☐ NAVY	Honor School - The candidate has been named an Honor Graduate or Prospective Honor Graduate of the institution listed and this institution has been named Honor School with Distinction for the current academic year. I recommend him/her for a nomination for appointment to the United States Air Force Academy under this Honor School category.	
☐ MARINE		
☐ ARMY		
I certify that this nominee is a currently enrolled student in this unit. Nominee is of good moral character and is maintaining a satisfactory academic standing in all courses. Nominee meets the eligibility requirement as set forth in DAFMAN 36-2032, United States Air Force Academy (USAFA) Nomination Categories, Attachment 27, for the United States Air Force Academy.		
10. AEROSPACE EDUCATOR/PROGRAM DIRECTOR NAME:	11. RANK:	12. POSITION:
13. TELEPHONE NUMBER:	14. EMAIL ADDRESS (Mandatory):	
15. SIGNATURE:		16. DATE:

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■ Candidate Interview

- Must complete and submit Checklist Items marked with a # before you will be scheduled for an interview
- Interviews help our selection committees get to know you
- Treat it like a job interview; practice interview skills!
 - THIS IS A SERIOUS INTERVIEW

■ Personal Essay

- Opportunity to allow our selection committee to get to know more about the candidate
- Answer completely and honestly / Student's voice / no AI
- Pay attention to grammar and spelling; proofread!

■ Extracurricular Activities/Resume

- Demonstrated character and leadership
- Demonstrated teamwork
- Demonstrated physical ability
- Good balance of athletic and non-athletic activities
- JROTC positions and activities enhance the application
- Resume should describe impact / results and not just restate a list of activities

BE SPECIFIC AND DETAILED IN DESCRIBING ACTIVITIES AND INVOLVEMENT!

Prep/Falcon Opportunities

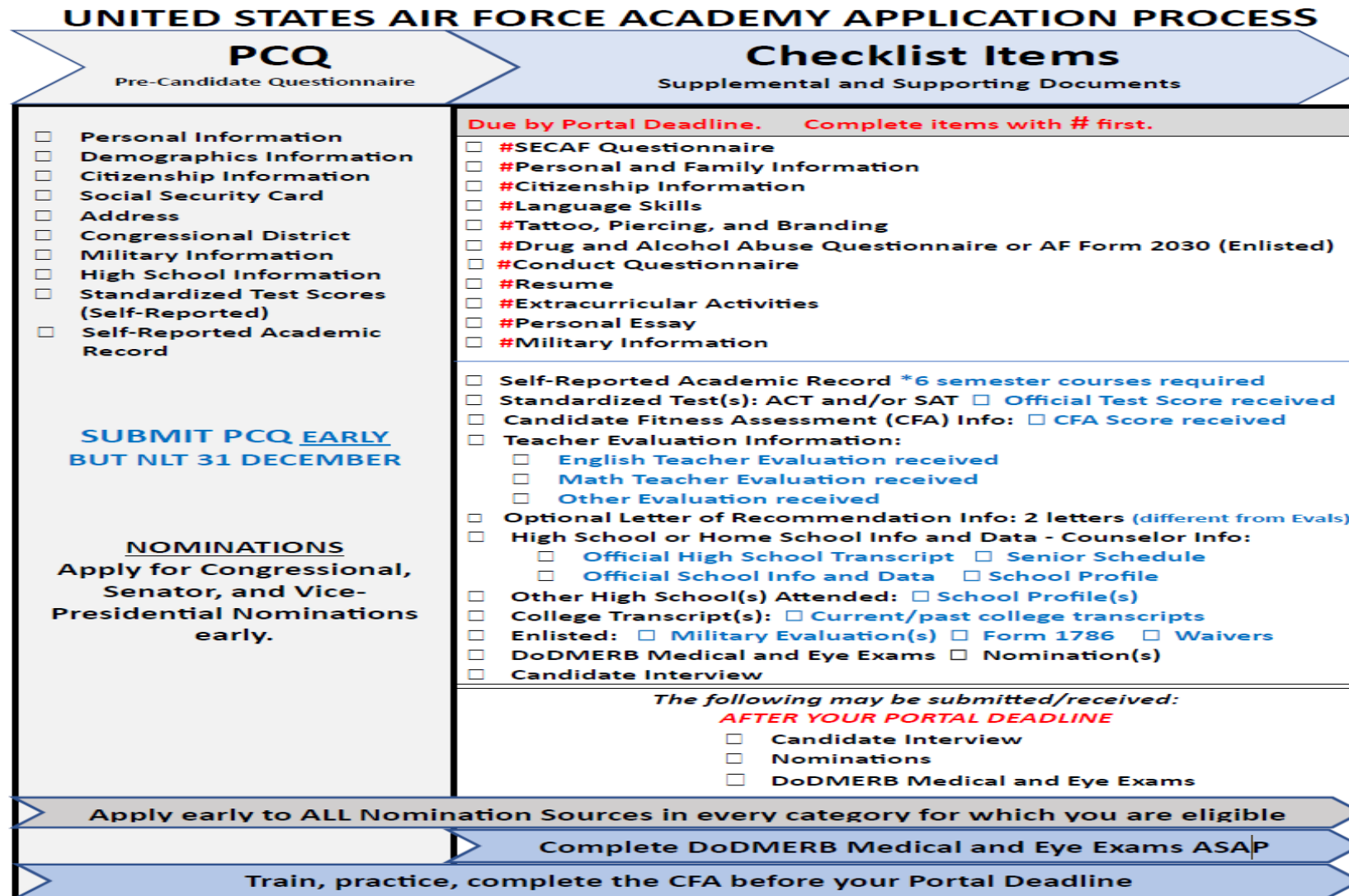
- If not selected for an appointment, and possibly have a need for additional academic preparation, candidate may be considered for a USAFA Preparatory slot or a Falcon Foundation Scholarship
 - Must be medically and physically qualified
 - Will be considered without a nomination
 - No separate application—USAFA application serves for all USAFA's programs

■ USAFA Preparatory School

- 10-month program
- Full scholarship
- If meet standards, may enter with the next class

■ Falcon Foundation Scholarship

- 10-month program at one of 5 civilian prep schools
- Partial scholarship
- If standards are met, may enter with the next class



**Individual has full control over completing Checklist Items
with a #**

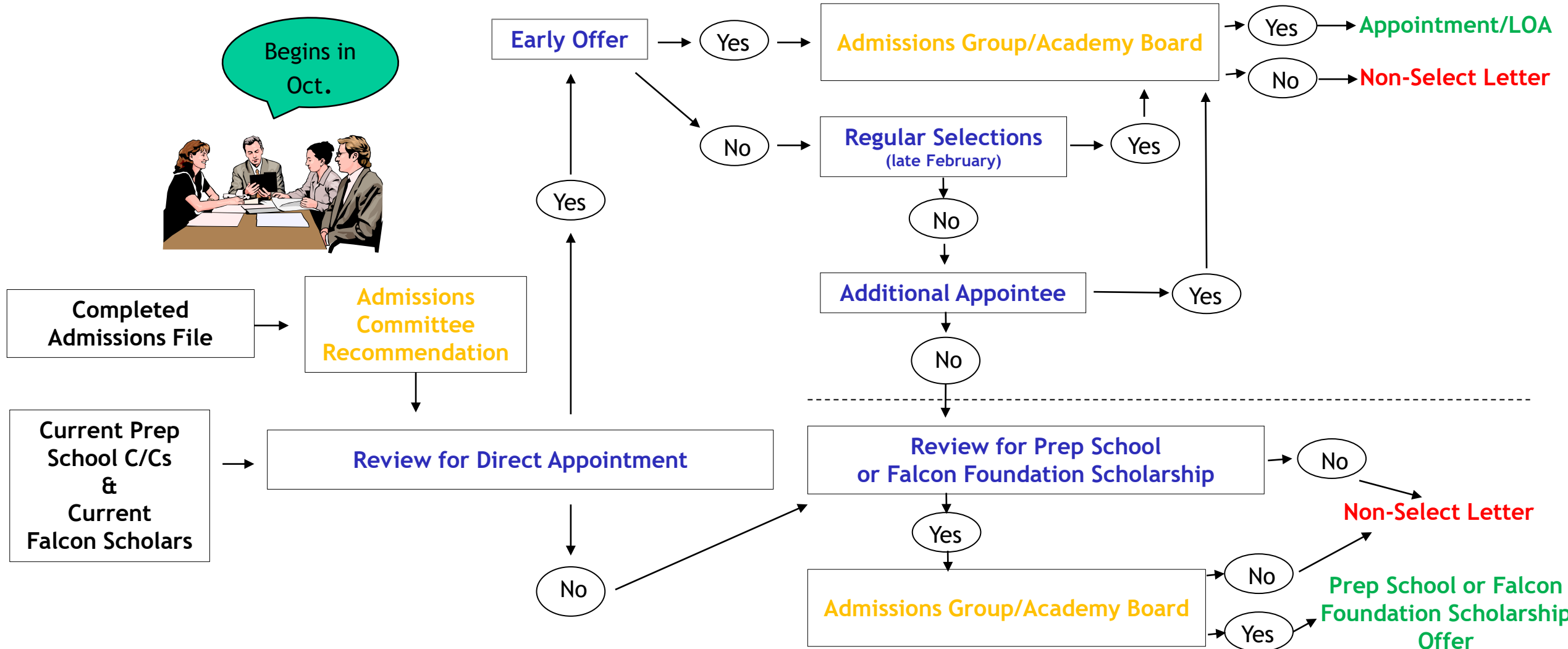
Checklist Items	
Supplemental and Supporting Documents	
Due by Portal Deadline. Complete items with # first.	
☐	#SECAF Questionnaire
☐	#Personal and Family Information
☐	#Citizenship Information
☐	#Language Skills
☐	#Tattoo, Piercing, and Branding
☐	#Drug and Alcohol Abuse Questionnaire or AF Form 2030 (Enlisted)
☐	#Conduct Questionnaire
☐	#Resume
☐	#Extracurricular Activities
☐	#Personal Essay
☐	#Military Information

- **“Instructions to Pre-Candidates” Booklet**
 - Accessible on application portal once PCQ submitted
 - Information on nominations and the CFA
- **“Instructions to Candidates” once promoted to candidate phase**
 - **The ultimate written resource on application preparation!**
- **USAFA Admissions Counseling Team (Blue or Silver)**
 - Info to contact admissions team is available on application portal
 - Candidate’s contact at USAFA for application guidance and prepares their application to be reviewed by committee
 - **Can explain anything in the “Instructions to Candidates” Booklet**

- **Mentor Admissions Liaison Officer (ALO)**
 - ALO's contact information is available on application portal
 - Mentor on the Academy experience (not an expert in the application process)
 - Can assist in candidate evaluation (interview) preparation
- **High School Guidance Counselor**

Selection Process

(Review/Decision Points: Blue = Admissions, Yellow = Institutional Body)



- Apply to all eligible nomination sources
- Complete Checklist Items early
- Complete medical exam as early as possible
- Practice and prepare for the CFA
- Take ACT and/or SAT early and often
- Encourage best effort

Must Complete to Compete!





Summer Seminar
Applications open for High
School Juniors in Dec 2024!

- **Mission**: Direct Recruiting Program to Immerse Prospective Candidates in a Week-Long USAFA Experience
- **Why**: Recruit and Motivate Emerging Leaders to Learn about USAFA
 - Encourage Participants to Complete Admissions Application In Order to Compete for Appointment
- **Who**: Admissions Team/Cadet Cadre with 700+ Rising High School Seniors
 - Two Sessions in June (In-Person and Virtual)

