

U.S. Rep. Gallagher: Announces Northeast Wisconsin's service academy appointments

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GREEN BAY, WI – Rep. Mike Gallagher (R-WI) today announced the military service academy appointments for the Class of 2026 from Wisconsin's Eighth Congressional District. The appointments come after a highly competitive, rigorous application process in which students submitted materials to Rep. Gallagher's office, interviewed with Rep. Gallagher's Military Academy Nomination Committee, received nominations, and were then accepted by an Academy.

"The opportunity to nominate Northeast Wisconsin students to attend a U.S. service academy is one of my favorite parts of this job," said Rep. Gallagher. "JoLee, Drew, Jackson, and Emma have all demonstrated they are some of our community's best and brightest and will make Northeast Wisconsin — and the country — proud. I couldn't be happier for them as they begin their service to our nation."

The students nominated and appointed for the Class of 2026 are:

- JoLee Klingeisen, who attends Pulaski High School and was appointed to the United States Air Force Academy. At Pulaski High School, JoLee has received awards recognizing her for outstanding academic excellence, served as captain of the varsity volleyball team, DECA Social Media and Public Relations Coordinator, and an apprentice writer for the Pulaski News.
- Drew Homan, who attends Fox Valley Lutheran High School and was appointed to the United States Military Academy at West Point. At Fox Valley Lutheran High School, Drew finished in the top ten in his class academically, has run cross country and track all four years of high school, and took 5th place at the WIAA State Track Meet in the 3200 meter relay.

- Jackson Smits, who attends Shawano High School and was appointed to the United States Naval Academy. At Shawano High School, Jackson ranks first in his class, is Student Council President, an Eagle Scout, and was Football Captain and a 1st team all conference offensive lineman.
- Emma Hujet, who attends De Pere High School and was appointed to the United States Naval Academy. At De Pere High School, Emma has demonstrated academic excellence, hEmma is Student Council President, was a four year varsity soccer player, a four year member of the drama club, and a member of the honors choir. Emma has sung the National Anthem at local events since the 4th grade, most notably singing at the National Curling Championships.

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