

FORT SILL ARTILLERY OFFICER CANDIDATE SCHOOL HALL OF FAME NOMINATION PACKET (2024)

Graduates of the Officer Candidate School at Fort Sill are proud of their heritage and the fraternal spirit that exalts among OCS graduates around the world. The Officer Candidate Schools that were first established in 1941 continue to play a significant part in our Nation's history. The Army Officer Candidate School at Fort Moore, Georgia is the only Federal OCS program currently operating.

The Fort Sill Artillery Officer Candidate School Hall of Fame was established in 1968 to honor the heroism and exceptional achievement of its graduates and recognizes the outstanding contributions of those officers in any branch. The Artillery OCS Hall of Fame also honors graduates from other OCS programs who have distinguished themselves with service in an Artillery branch.

Any individual may nominate a graduate of any of the following:

1. The Officer Candidate School at Fort Sill, Oklahoma (1941-1973).
2. The Antiaircraft Artillery Officer Candidate School, Camp Davis, North Carolina (1941-1944).
3. The Seacoast Artillery Officer Candidate School, Fort Monroe, Virginia (1942-1944).
4. The Army Officer Candidate School (AOCS) at Fort Benning, Georgia (1946-1947). The individual must have been commissioned in an Artillery branch, completed an Artillery branch officer basic course (or Artillery branch qualification training) and served in an Artillery assignment after graduation.
5. The Ground General School Army Officer Candidate (AOC) Course, Fort Riley, Kansas (1947-1953). The individual must have been commissioned in an Artillery branch, completed an Artillery branch officer basic course (or Artillery branch qualification training) and served in an Artillery assignment after graduation.
6. The Antiaircraft Artillery Officer Candidate School, Fort Bliss, Texas (1951-1953).
7. The Officer Candidate School, Fort Benning, Georgia (1973 - present). The individual must have been commissioned in an Artillery branch, completed an Artillery branch officer basic course (or Artillery branch qualification training) and served in an Artillery assignment after graduation.
8. Graduates of other officer candidate schools may also be considered. The individual must have been commissioned in an Artillery branch, completed an Artillery branch officer basic course, (or Artillery branch qualification training) and served in an Artillery assignment after graduation.

The nominee must meet at least one of these requirements for consideration:

1. Recipient of the Medal of Honor or the Distinguished Service Cross.
2. Attained the rank of Colonel (O-6) or Captain (O-6 for Navy/Coast Guard) while serving on active duty or with a Reserve Component of the Armed Forces.
3. Federal Service at the GS-15 level or the Senior Executive Service (SES)
4. Appointed or elected to an office of prominence in the National or State Government.
5. Rendered outstanding service to the Nation, Community or Profession, beginning with heroic or meritorious military service, followed by advancement to the highest levels of their chosen profession and/or a notable record of philanthropy or community-minded volunteerism.

To process a nomination, two copies of the attached biographical sketch form and a hard copy or digital black & white or color photo is required. The photo should be a medium shot in uniform at the last rank achieved or in other appropriate attire. The photo must be of sufficient resolution to be cropped or enlarged to 8 x 10 and be suitable for display and viewing in the on-line Hall of Fame photo gallery. **Biographical information in another format may be submitted in lieu of filling out the entire Summary of Military Service portion of the biographical sketch.** Additional supporting material regarding military or civilian career accomplishments may also be included.

Part II of the form (or appropriate attachments) must be completed for nominations in the Appointment or Election to an Office of Prominence in the National or State Government category or the Outstanding Service to the Nation, Community or Profession category. Please provide as much information as possible, so a fair evaluation of the exceptional achievements and contributions of the nominee can be made.

The Hall of Fame Selection Committee, consisting of the Artillery OCS Alumni Chapter President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer reviews all nomination upon receipt and selects qualified nominees meeting one or more of the requirements in 1-3 above for induction.

The entire Board of Directors reviews nominations in the category of appointment or election to an office of prominence in the national or state government or for outstanding service to the nation, community or profession.

The U.S. Army Field Artillery Commandant is the final approving authority for Induction into the Artillery OCS Hall of Fame.

Hall of Fame nominations are accepted at any time and the Selection Committee reviews nominations as soon as possible after receipt. Individuals selected are inducted in absentia with an opportunity to be formally recognized at a ceremony in the future.

Mail nomination packets to:

**Artillery OCS Alumni Chapter
P.O. Box 33612
Fort Sill, Oklahoma 73503-0612**

or send by email to admin@artilleryocsalumni.com

For any questions or additional information regarding Hall of Fame nominations please contact us at: 580-355-JARK (5275)

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH FOR THE ARTILLERY OCS HALL OF FAME

Part I - General Information and Summary of Military Service

Name: (Last, First, M.I.)				OCS Class - Year / Location:		Rank at ETS:	Retirement Date:	DOB:	Date of Nomination:		
Home Address:						Work Address:					
Home Telephone:		Cell Phone:		Work Phone:		E-Mail Address:					
Present Duty Assignment (If Applicable) or Current Occupation							Branch of Service:		SES or GS Level (if applicable)		
Date of Rank by Grade				Awards and Decorations							
Grade	DOR	Grade	DOR								
2LT		COL									
1LT		BG									
CPT		MG									
MAJ		LTG									
LTC		GEN									
Assignment History											
From	To	Organization - Unit				Duty Station			Duty Title		

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH FOR THE ARTILLERY OCS HALL OF FAME (Continued)

Assignment History (Continued)

From	To	Organization	Station	Duty Title

PART II - Additional Remarks (please include attachments if needed)

Includes Supporting Information for Nominations in the following: National or State Prominence, Outstanding Service to the Nation, Community or Profession

