



United States Naval Academy



Class of 2024

Plebe Parent's Guide



NABSD

NAVAL ACADEMY BUSINESS SERVICES DIVISION

Welcome Class of 2024 Parents

Welcome to the U.S. Naval Academy!

Over the next four years the Naval Academy Business Services Division (NABSD) will be an integral part of your midshipman's life providing a myriad of products and services that are an essential part of Academy life.

NABSD is instrumental in the monumental task of issuing over 450,000 items to the incoming Plebe class with everything they need for their four years at the Naval Academy. This includes uniforms, shoes, boots, personal products, books, and stamps for writing letters to loved ones!

During the year, our staff washes and dry cleans over 1.5 million pounds of clothing. Our barbers and beauticians provide over 50,000 haircuts. NABSD's tailors alter and repair 160,000 items. Our cobblers repair 3000 shoes, and the staff issues more than 85,000 textbooks.



USNA Uniform Store

Properly outfitting and fitting more than 4,000 Midshipmen with the different categories of uniforms is an enormous challenge, but one that the **USNA Uniform Store** rises to meet every year beginning on Induction Day at the start of Plebe Summer. On that first morning of Naval service, the newly reporting Plebes are quickly fitted with their White Works Echo uniforms.

Additional uniform items will be issued to plebes throughout the summer training period. Prior to the reform of the Brigade, and the start of the academic year, remaining required uniforms and accessories are received.

While issued uniforms are designed to last for the duration of the Midshipman's time at the Naval Academy and beyond, some instances might cause the replacement of uniform items. Unit commanders

and other leaders regularly conduct uniform inspections. Midshipmen are responsible for the fit, quality, condition, and legibility of uniform markings. Loss, accidental damage, excessive wear, and changing physiques can all necessitate replacement of issued items. For when this occurs, the USNA Uniform Department also operates a retail store.

The USNA Uniform Store doesn't just serve the Brigade of Midshipmen. Uniform items and accessories needed by the active-duty Naval Officers and enlisted personnel assigned to the Naval Academy are also able to find the specific uniform supplies required for their own ranks and rates. Other eligible shoppers at the Uniform Store and Dress Uniform Center include Alumni and retired Naval Academy Graduates.

The USNA Uniform Department, Uniform Store, and Dress Uniform Issue Center (DUIC) take pride in being able to support the Brigade of Midshipmen and Navy community. These shops, and additional retail stores and dining establishments, are operated by the Naval Academy Business Service Division (NABSD). An integral part of every Midshipmen's life, the NABSD provides products and services essential to Naval Academy life.

All profits earned through the sale of goods and services enable the NABSD to support the Brigade of Midshipmen. It's true that 100% of profits are returned to support club sports, extracurricular activities, and additional activities and events such as the Glee Club, the Drum and Bugle Corps, and the Army-Navy Pep Rally.



Barber Shop

Incoming plebes should be aware that there is a limited amount of time to maintain hair over Plebe Summer. Days will be spent taking part in a number of physical activities, such as swimming and circuit training. Hairstyles should be easy to manage and not one that the plebe does not have practice managing during an active lifestyle.



The Naval Academy Business Services Division (NABSD) **Barber/Beauty Shop** provides hair services to midshipmen and military personnel. The shop, located in the basement of Bancroft Hall in wing one, has 19 stations available. In 2019, over 52,000 hair services were provided by a staff of 23 barbers and cosmetologists. NABSD supports the midshipmen by returning 100% of the profits back to the Brigade to fund extra-curricular activities and club sports.

The USNA Barber/Beauty shop offers more than just a traditional military-style haircut. Additional services available to both male and female Midshipmen include shampooing, styling and blow drying, deep conditioning, dandruff, and chlorine removal treatments, and facial waxing. Females can also come in for up-dos for formal events, as well as a variety of braided styles. Located in Bancroft Hall Basement Wing One, walk-in services are available, but appointments for midshipmen are only available using the Barber/Beauty Shop Scheduler.

Cobbler Shop

The Cobbler Shop at the United States Naval Academy (USNA) is just one part of a critical system of services that go into the care and education of the Brigade of Midshipmen. The Naval Academy is the only service academy to have an on-site cobbler shop. Its unique status is well-represented on a sign, gifted to the shop from a former Midshipmen. Prominently hung on the wall of the Cobbler Shop, it proudly states, "We heal shoes and save their soles".

Midshipmen can wear the same pair of black oxford uniform issue shoes throughout their years at the Naval Academy. But that is only if they take steps to properly care for them. Between parades, drilling, and athletics, midshipmen footwear undergoes a significant amount of abuse. Given what precious free time Midshipmen have, there is little doubt the trained cobblers are a highly valued resource. Located in the 5th Wing Basement of **Bancroft Hall**, the Cobbler Shop is a convenient stop even on the most hectic of days.



The skilled craftsmen operating the shop have yet to find a shoe or boot that cannot be repaired. From heel replacements to repairing rips, whatever the wear or damage is, it can be fixed. However, there's one thing the Cobbler Shop could do that it won't. The cobblers will not clean shoes. That's a skill every Naval Officer must possess, and it is part of their training during their time at the Academy.

For decades, the Cobbler Shop has been staffed by trade-school trained cobblers with more than 100 years of cobbling experience between them. Working from 0730 to 1600, these cobblers use a variety of specialized machinery and a variety of well-stocked materials to stitch, stretch, and mend footwear in support of the Brigade. Outside of the shop, these leather workers also advise and provide expert tips to other segments of the Academy, such as Navy Gymnastics when seeking to repair their own leather equipment.

The Cobbler Shop is one of the many services provided to Midshipmen by the Naval Academy Business Services Division (NABSD). All profits earned through NABSD services are returned to the Brigade of Midshipmen to support extracurricular activities and club sports.

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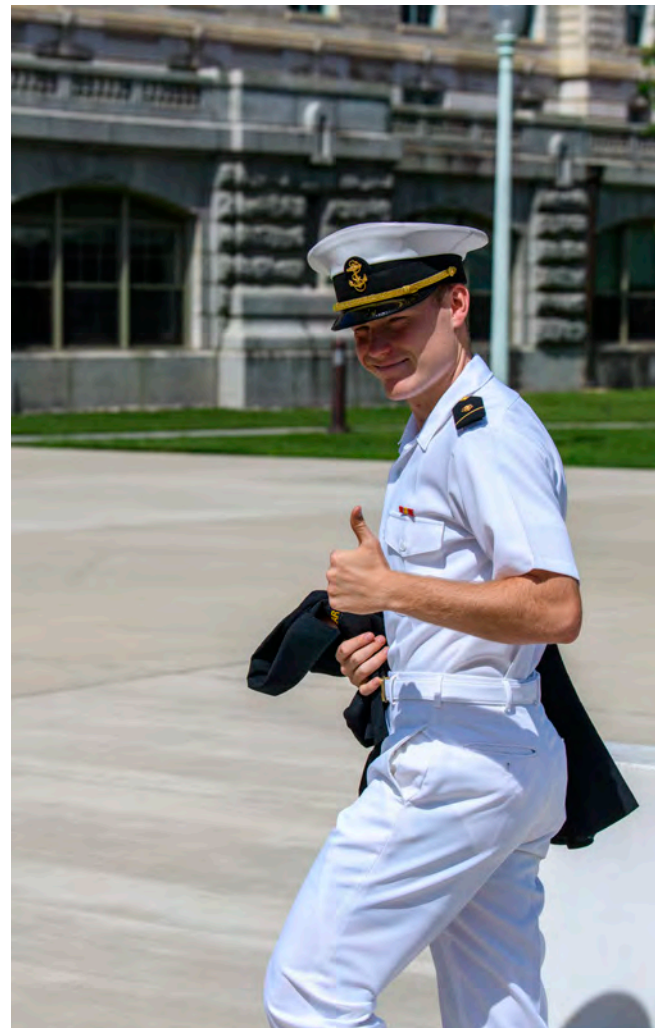


Naval Academy parents often ask – how can I support my midshipman? One of the most fundamental ways you can support your midshipman is through your patronage of the many businesses NABSD operates throughout the Naval Academy Yard. Every dollar of profit raised through the sale of goods and services allows NABSD to support the Brigade of Midshipmen by enhancing their cultural and educational experience and through funding of club sports, extracurricular activities and many other quality of life functions. Please join us in supporting your midshipman as we embark on an exciting four year journey together!

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The USNA Mission

To develop Midshipmen morally, mentally and physically and to imbue them with the highest ideals of duty, honor and loyalty in order to graduate leaders who are dedicated to a career of naval service and have potential for future development in mind and character to assume the highest responsibilities of command, citizenship and government.

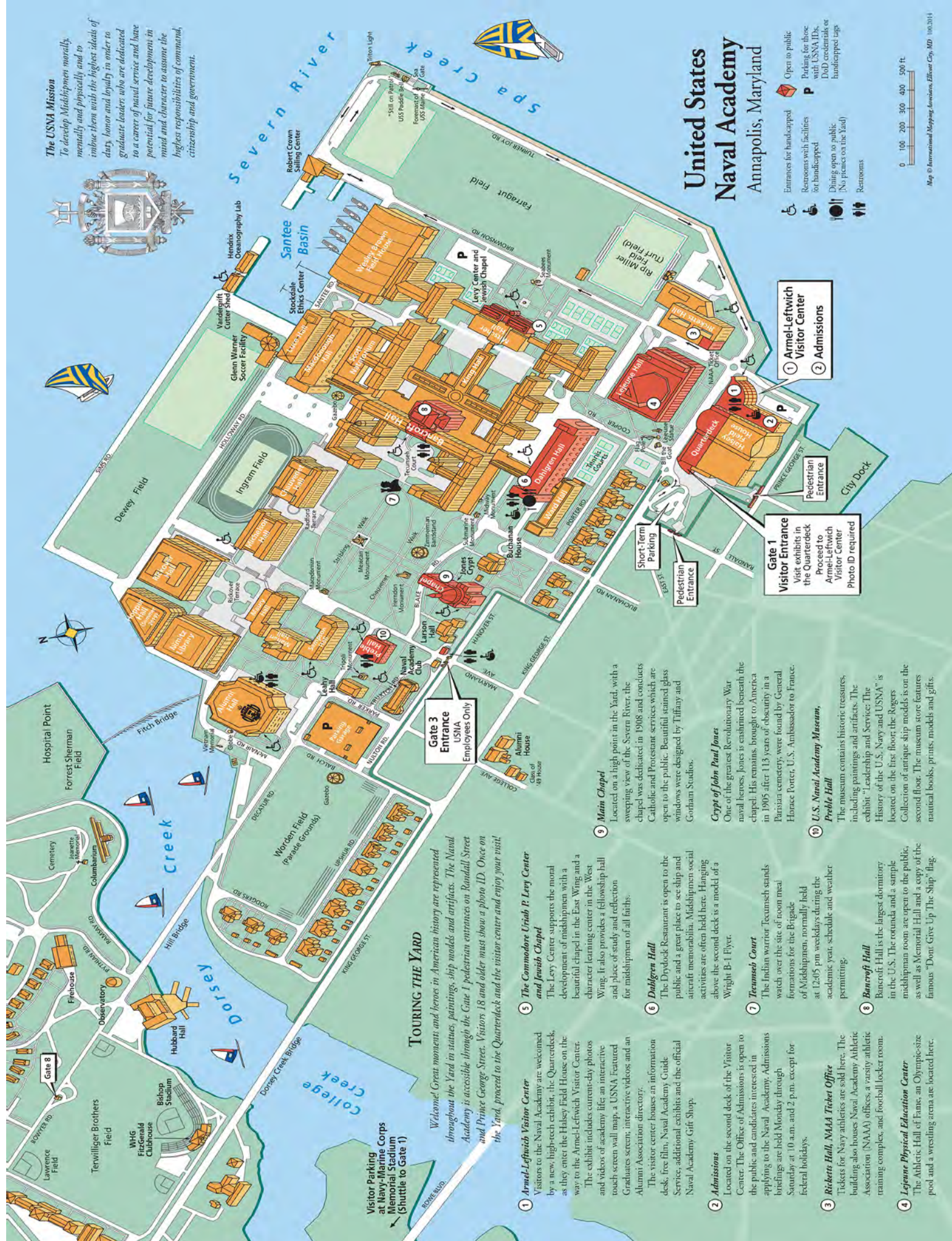


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- Dining open to public (No pictures on the Yard)
- Restrooms
- Open to public
- Parking for those with USNA IDs
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TOURING THE YARD

Welcome! Great moments and heroes in American history are represented throughout the Yard in statues, paintings, ship models and artifacts. The Naval Academy is accessible through the Gate 1 pedestrian entrances on Randall Street and Prince George Street. Visitors 18 and older must show a photo ID. Once on the Yard, proceed to the Quarterdeck and the visitor center and enjoy your visit!

1 Armel-Leftwich Visitor Center

Visitors to the Naval Academy are welcomed by a new high-tech exhibit, the Quarterdeck, as they enter the Halsey Field House on the way to the Armel-Leftwich Visitor Center.

The exhibit includes current-day photos and videos of academy life, an interactive touch screen wall map, a USNA Featured Graduates screen, interactive videos and an Alumni Association directory.

The visitor center houses an information desk, free film, Naval Academy Guide Service, additional exhibits and the official Naval Academy Gift Shop.

2 Admissions

Located on the second deck of the Visitor Center, the Office of Admissions is open to the public and candidates interested in applying to the Naval Academy. Admissions briefings are held Monday through Saturday at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. except for federal holidays.

3 Ricketts Hall, NAA Ticket Office

Tickets for Navy athletics are sold here. The building also houses Naval Academy Athletic Association (NAAA) offices, a vast athletic training complex, and football locker room.

4 Lejeune Physical Education Center

The Athletic Hall of Fame, an Olympic-size pool and a wrestling arena are located here.

5 The Commodore Uriah P. Levy Center and Jewish Chapel

The Levy Center supports the moral development of midshipmen with a beautiful chapel in the East Wing and a character learning center in the West Wing. It also provides a fellowship hall and place of study and reflection for midshipmen of all faiths.

6 Dahlgren Hall

The Drydock Restaurant is open to the public and a great place to see ship and aircraft memorabilia. Midshipmen social activities are often held here. Hanging above the second deck is a model of a Wright B-1 Flyer.

7 Tecumseh Court

The Indian warrior Tecumseh stands watch over the site of noon meal formations for the Brigade of Midshipmen, normally held at 12:45 pm weekdays during the academic year, schedule and weather permitting.

8 Bancroft Hall

Bancroft Hall is the largest dormitory in the U.S. The rotunda and a sample midshipman room are open to the public, as well as Memorial Hall and a copy of the famous "Don't Give Up The Ship" flag.

9 Main Chapel

Located on a high point in the Yard, with a sweeping view of the Severn River, the chapel was dedicated in 1908 and conducts Catholic and Protestant services which are open to the public. Beautiful stained glass windows were designed by Tiffany and Gothic Studios.

Crypt of John Paul Jones

One of the greatest Revolutionary War naval heroes, Jones is enshrined beneath the chapel. His remains, brought to America in 1905 after 113 years of obscurity in a Parisian cemetery, were found by General Honoré Porter, U.S. Ambassador to France.

10 U.S. Naval Academy Museum, Preble Hall

The museum contains historic treasures, including paintings and artifacts. The exhibit "Leadership and Service: The History of the U.S. Navy and USNA" is located on the first floor; the Rogers Collection of antique ship models is on the second floor. The museum store features nautical books, prints, models and gifts.

Gate 1 Visitor Entrance

Visit exhibits in the Quarterdeck. Proceed to the Armel-Leftwich Visitor Center. Photo ID required.

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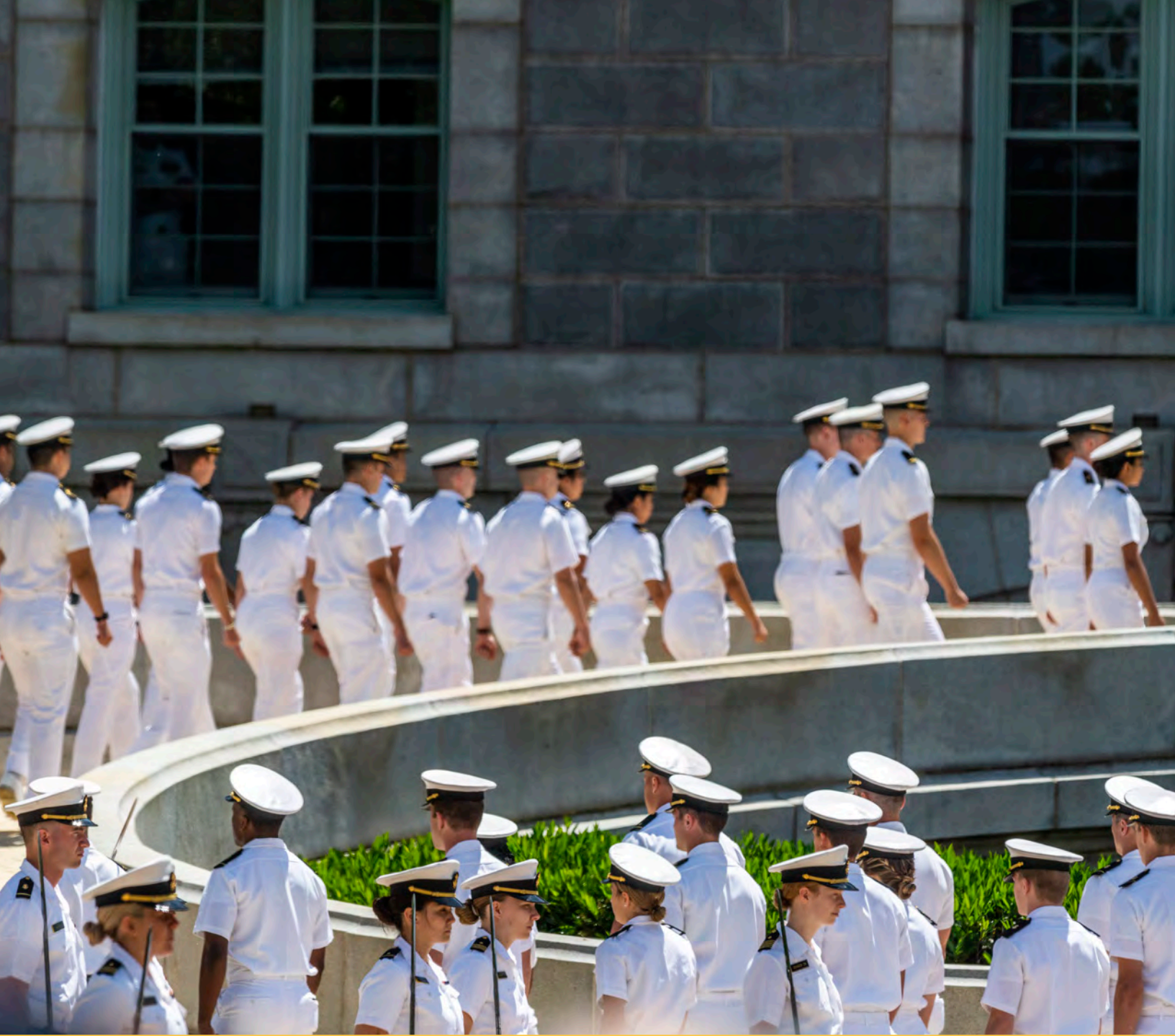
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