



U.S. Representative
JILL TOKUDA
 Hawaii's 2nd District

2024 CONGRESSIONAL YOUTH PROGRAMS

Aloha,

Creating opportunities for our youth is important to me as a mother of two public school students in our district. I am excited to share and invite participation in three congressional programs that my office will be hosting this year: **The Congressional Art Competition, the Military Service Academy Nominations, and the Congressional App Challenge.**

These competitions are open to high school students that live in or attend school in Hawaii's Second Congressional District. The App Challenge is also open to middle school students. Further details, including notable deadlines, are below.

I encourage broad participation in each of these opportunities! Further details will be announced throughout the year. For more information or if you have any questions, please reach out to my office at (808) 746-6220 or visit us online at tokuda.house.gov.

Mahalo,

U.S. Representative Jill Tokuda

CONGRESSIONAL ART COMPETITION



Representative Jill Tokuda with the winner of the 2023 Congressional Art Competition.



2023 Winner, "Hanagasa Waraba" by Cailyn Omuro from Maui High School.

The Congressional Art Competition is an annual event sponsored by the U.S. House of Representatives that **recognizes and encourages high school students nationwide to demonstrate their artistic talent.**

KEY DEADLINES

March 2024 – The Congressional Art Competition will officially open and our office will begin accepting art submissions. **To submit, visit bit.ly/tokudaartcontest.**

April 15, 2024 – Students must submit a photo of the completed art piece and release form via email by **5:00 pm HST**.

April 19, 2024 – DEADLINE: The *original* completed art piece must be submitted to our district office via mail, delivery service, or in person by **5:00 pm HST**.

May 2024 – Winners will be notified and publicly announced. An award ceremony will be held in Hawaii and a ceremony in Washington, D.C. will be held on June 27, 2024.

MILITARY SERVICE ACADEMY NOMINATIONS

The Military Service Academy Nominations are **an opportunity for individuals to be considered by a Service Academy to attend one of four world-class institutions at no expense to the student**. Congresswoman Jill Tokuda may nominate up to ten individuals for each vacant academy slot allotted to the Second Congressional District. **The four U.S. Service Academies are:** U.S. Military Academy, West Point, NY; U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, MD; U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, CO; and U.S. Merchant Marine Academy, Kings Point, NY.

KEY DEADLINES

June 2024 – Application portal opens.

October 2024 – DEADLINE: Completed applications are due.

November 2024 – Applicants will be interviewed.

December 2024 – Applicants will be informed of the outcome and nominees will be announced.

CONGRESSIONAL APP CHALLENGE

The Congressional App Challenge is an annual coding competition that **encourages middle and high school students nationwide to showcase their creativity in the fields of computer science, coding, and STEM** (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) **by creating a software application, or “app,” for mobile, tablet, or computer devices**.

KEY DEADLINES

February 2024 – Pre-registration begins.

May 1, 2024 – The Congressional App Challenge Opens.

October 24, 2024 – DEADLINE: Student applications are due.

December 2024 – Winner(s) will be notified and announced by Rep. Tokuda’s office.

December 2024 – Winner(s) will be publicly announced by the Congressional App Challenge organizers.



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