

- Scholar Athlete, A/B Scholastic Average
- Varsity Letters in football, basketball, and track
- First East graduate to graduate from the U.S. Naval Academy
- BS Degree in Engineering from USNA
- MS of Science degree in National Security Affairs from USNA Post graduate school
- Naval Institute Award for Graduate School Excellence
- David Lloyd Award for Leadership and Tactical Excellence
- Received the Presidential Awarded Legion of Merit for Distinguished Service and Contributions to National Security
- Commanded the USS CONNECTICUT (SSN 22)
- Captain in the U.S. Navy with over 20 Years of Service
- Named the 84th Commandant of Midshipmen at the USNA in March, 2010 and is responsible for the development and day-to-day activities of 4,500 Midshipmen

Prior to Captain Clark's appointment as Commandant of the Naval Academy, he completed two operations under the Arctic ice pack as commander of the USS Connecticut from August 2001 through September 2003. Under his command, in addition to recognition of tactical and operational excellence, the Connecticut received back-to-back awards recognizing her performance during operations of significant importance to the National Security of the United States while deployed to the North Atlantic and Arctic. The warriors of the Connecticut received the Meritorious Unit Commendation and the Navy Unit Commendation while Captain Clark was the commanding officer. These were the first unit awards presented to Seawolf Class submarine.