

CRESTVIEW POLICE YOUTH ACADEMY

ACADEMY INFORMATION

JULY 24-28 or JULY 31-AUGUST 4, 2017 • AGES 7-15

The Crestview Police Department proudly provides innovative and effective programs for the city's young people. Our Community Service Division's Youth Academy is such a program. Taught by professional, trained and certified law enforcement officers, it is designed to establish a positive relationship between the Police Department and the city's youth and their families.

The Youth Academy's goals are to:

- Enhance responsible citizenship
- Provide positive interaction with police officers
- Educate kids about the challenges and responsibilities of police work
- Encourage young people to take part in other youth programs offered by the Police Department, such as the Law Enforcement Explorers.

The 2017 Crestview Police Youth Academy is a one-week, Monday through Friday program. Choose either the July 24-28 or July 31-August 4, 2017, academy. There are two daily sessions: 9 a.m.– noon for younger children ages 7 to 11
1–4 p.m. for older children ages 12 to 15

Please note the following important information about the Crestview Police Youth Academy:

- Okaloosa County children between the ages of 7 and 15 are eligible to attend.
- Students who have previously enrolled in the academy are welcome to return and participate in the program again.

However, if enrollment is high, new participants will be given priority placement.

- Students will attend classroom sessions and activities with lectures, presentations, role-playing and demonstrations conducted by police officers.
- All academy activities are closely supervised by certified law enforcement officers.
- Students will meet trained K9s and their handlers, and will have opportunities to touch, sit in, and in some cases, handle police equipment including vehicles, weapons, protective clothing, crime scene tools and police training aids.
- Students should wear comfortable athletic attire and sneakers/tennis shoes. An academy uniform shirt, carry bag and water bottle will be provided, which students who complete the academy are welcome to keep.
- Enrollment is open for a limited time.
- There is no enrollment fee or class fees.
- There are only 35 openings for each age group. Sessions are filled on a first come, first served basis.
- Both classes meet at Warriors Hall adjacent to the Police Department in the Whitehurst Municipal Building, 201 Stillwell Blvd. Some activities and demonstrations will be conducted outside, weather permitting. Graduation from both academies is Friday, August 4, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the pavilion in Spanish Trail Park, next to the Whitehurst Municipal Building.

To apply for this year's academy, complete and sign the application, have it notarized, and mail or deliver it to the Crestview Police Department, Attn: Community Services, 201 Stillwell Blvd., Crestview FL 32539-2221. *Each child must also submit a brief statement between 50-150 words explaining why he or she want to attend the academy.* You will be contacted if your child(ren) is/are accepted into the academy. Applications are accepted only until July 20.

For information, please contact Officer Wanda Hulion, 305.2905, or Officer Sam Kimmons, 305.7831.



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