

PROGRAM STRUCTURE

- Class sessions are held in the Law Enforcement Center.
- All evening sessions start promptly at 6 PM.
- 13 instructional sessions of up to 3 hours each.
- Students must attend a minimum of 75% of the 13 sessions to "graduate".
- Graduation dinner and ceremonies with a guest speaker.
- Available to Polk County residents 18 years of age or older.

How do I sign up?

Call or Email the Polk County Sheriff's Office at the phone number below.

Program fee of \$30 covers all class materials, student handbook, and graduation festivities. Optional jackets and shirts with Academy logo are available for purchase.

Applicants will be screened through the National Crime Information Center and those with a significant history of problems will not be accepted. The Sheriff has complete discretion in this matter.

To enroll, contact:

**Polk County Sheriff's Office
Attn: Sheriff's Citizens Academy
164 Government Complex Dr.
Columbus, NC 28722**

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POLK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE SHERIFF'S CITIZENS ACADEMY



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ACADEMY OVERVIEW

- Sheriff's Office operations and programs
- Emergency communications and support from law enforcement, medical services and fire & rescue units
- Crime prevention through self-help techniques

PROGRAM FORMAT

- Interactive sessions
- Simulations
- Demonstrations
- Hands-on demonstrations & experience
- Presentations and videos
- Involvement and FUN!

CURRICULUM

(In No Particular Order)

1. a. Sheriff's Welcome
b. Law Enforcement Center Tour
c. Crime Lab Tour
2. a. The Hiring Process
b. Officer Education Requirements
c. Officer Training Requirements
3. a. CID – Forensics
b. Classification of Crimes
c. N.C. Courts
4. a. Dare Program
b. School Resource Officers
5. a. Crime Prevention & Personal Safety
b. Fraud & Scams
6. a. Communication & 911
b. Emergency Medical Services-EMS
c. Fire Marshal
d. County Emergency Operations
7. a. Patrol Division
b. Constitutional Law
8. a. Drug Suppression
b. CID
9. a. Special Victims Unit
b. Domestic Relations

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10. a. K-9 Teams
b. Animal Enforcement
11. a. SWAT Team
b. Bomb Squad (SBI)
12. a. Volunteers In Partnership (VIP)
b. Detention Center Tour, Booking Process
13. a. Emergency Preparedness
b. Concealed Carry Process

