The Waukesha Police Public Safety Cadets

An Introduction to Law Enforcement

The Public Safety Cadet Program seeks to mentor, educate, and positively involve youth in police operations, while promoting service to their community. We are committed to teaching fair and impartial policing, regardless of race, color, national origin, sex or religion, and a respect for diversity and the rule of law. Cadets will actively participate in training programs, practical experiences, and activities that not only better prepare them for a law enforcement career, but also emphasizes the role of first responders in a democratic society.







Training Topics

- Law
- Traffic Stops
- Domestic Violence Situational Training
- **De-escalation Skills**
- Evidence Documentation
- Firearms Safety
- **Noom Clearing**
- Conducting Searches
- MILO Simulations
- Dispatch Operations/Radio Protocol
- Physical Fitness Testing & Standards
- Cadet State Competitions
- And More!





"This program allowed me a hands on learning experience and expand upon the abilities of school to explore a career in law enforcement. I was able to build connections with City of Waukesha Police Officers and Detectives, who I was then able to use as references when I applied as a police officer. Without this program, I'm not sure that I would currently be a Waukesha Officer."

— Ofc. Bryce A. Butryn, WKPD

A program steeped in proud tradition since 1968. Previously affiliated with the Explorers.

Meetings

The Public Safety Cadet Program is open to young men and women, ages 14-21. Meetings are held September through May, every Thursday, from 4 to 6 p.m. June to August, meetings are held every other Thursday, from 4 to 6 p.m. All meetings are conducted at either the Waukesha Police Department Range or the Waukesha Police Department. Zero commitment to start and you are invited to try up to two meetings before completing the program application.

"As a senior in high school deciding on a career path, the cadet program gave me a foot in the door and provided a unique opportunity to see and interact with law enforcement. It confirmed my post-high school path and gave me a solid understanding of the criminal justice program prior to entering college. Having been in law enforcement for now, 10 years, it gave me a solid foundation to build upon in college, the recruit academy, and early on in my career. I attribute my early passion and success in law enforcement to my four years in the cadet program."

— Ofc. Nicolas M. Sharon, WKPD



Contact us to learn more!

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