



SPRINGFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT
CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS
Kenny Winslow
Chief of Police

Thank you for your interest in the Citizen's Police Academy!

The police academy for citizens is a revolutionary concept in law enforcement and police-community relations. A "police academy" course of instruction has been established for citizens consisting of ten weeks of orientation and instruction each Monday evening from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. This training program is comprised of both classroom and hands-on instructional learning experiences. Subjects covered include: officer selection and training process; the job of the uniformed patrol officer; tactical operations; investigation skills; vice and narcotics; communications; firearms; defensive tactics; crime prevention; and community policing, just to name a few.

Students will be actively involved in many interesting and unique activities, such as touring police facilities; using police equipment; firing the department service weapons; canine demonstrations; and other community law enforcement related activities. The course is free of charge, and each applicant will fill out an application and agree to undergo a cursory background check prior to approval and admission. To graduate, each student must attend eight of the ten sessions. Classes will be held at the Springfield Police Academy and the downtown police station.

Any questions regarding the Citizen's Police Academy class can be directed to the Springfield Police Academy at (217) 788-8415 or (217) 788-8416.

The application to apply for the program is posted below and the deadline to apply is Thursday, August 20, 2015.



**SPRINGFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT
CITIZEN POLICE ACADEMY
APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION**

Name of Applicant: _____
Last First MI Maiden Other

Address: _____
City State Zip Code

Social Sec. #: _____ Drivers License # or Illinois ID Card #: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Sex: _____ Race: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Criminal History:

Have you ever been arrested for a crime other than a traffic offense? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, please explain: _____

Have you ever been CONVICTED of a crime other than a traffic offense?

Yes _____ No _____

If yes, please explain: _____

Emergency Contact: _____
Name Phone

What do you expect to gain from attending the Academy? _____

What experience have you had with Law Enforcement? Positive _____ Negative _____ In Between _____

Please Explain: _____

AUTHORITY OF CONDUCT BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION

As an applicant to participate in the Springfield Citizen Police Academy, I hereby authorize the Springfield Police Department to conduct a criminal history background investigation. I understand that such background investigation is routine, required for admission, and is conducted due to the content of the classes given at the Academy.

I understand that all available police and criminal records will be checked and that resulting information will be used in determining eligibility of applicants for the Citizen Police Academy. All information is to remain confidential as required by Illinois and Federal statutes.

Signature

Date

STUDENT AGREEMENT

I understand that class space is limited, therefore I agreed to attend at least eight (8) of the ten (10) scheduled sessions. Additionally, I agree to arrive promptly and to complete and return the evaluation forms provided for each session.

Signature

Date

RETURN TO:

Springfield Police Department
Attn: Amanda Long
800 E. Monroe St.
Springfield, Illinois 62701