



York County Sheriff's Office Citizens Police Academy



The York County Sheriff's Office is partnering with RSU 57's Adult Education to offer a **Citizens Police Academy**. This program consists of 2-hour classes held twice a week for a **total of 16 training hours**, on Tuesdays and Thursdays, starting **Tuesday, February 25th**. Participants will graduate on **Friday, March 21st**, during the **York County Sheriff's Office, 2024 Annual Awards Ceremony**.



*Applicants will be required to participate in 8 hours of ride-along time accompanying a Deputy while on patrol outside of the classroom hours before the graduation date.

Course Topics

- The History and Structure of the Sheriff's Office
- Police Patrol Operations and Tactics
- Communications
- First Aid (NARCAN and CPR certification)
- Finger Printing and Crime Scene Processing
- Political Implications
- Community Policing
- Constitutional Law and Use of Force
- K9 Utilization and SRT
- Jail Operations (to include a tour of the Jail)
- Investigations

What Is a Citizens Police Academy?

A Citizens Police Academy (CPA) is a program that educates the public about law enforcement operations and builds stronger community relationships. Participants learn about patrol procedures, investigations, emergency response, and specialized units, with opportunities for hands-on activities like ride-along. Open to eligible community members, CPAs promote transparency, trust, and public engagement in supporting safety

HOW DO I JOIN?

Applicants must be ready to learn about the complexities of modern law enforcement and meet the following standards.

- 18 years of age or older
- Reside in the County of York
- No prior felony arrests
- Must Agree to a basic background check
- Must return application by February 7th

Applicants can email requests to Deputy Matthew Cummer at mtcummer@yorkcountymaine.gov. *There is a \$25 supplies fee that will be required at the first class*(T-shirts)