

Press Release

Contact Person: Ofc. Lacey Baxter

Date: July 10th, 2015

Subject: 45th Citizens Police Academy class announced for Fall 2015

Dates of class: Every Thursday starting August 13th and ending November 12th

The Joplin Police Department is proud to announce the upcoming fall session of the Citizens Police Academy. The Citizens Police Academy is an exciting 14 week program hosted by the police department. This program targets people in our area who want to learn more about the Joplin Police Department. Offered FREE of charge, this hands-on, interactive, behind-the-scenes program is taught by experienced police officers, who share their unique perspective on law enforcement. The classes will be held every Thursday evening starting August 13th from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The CPA will conclude on November 12th with a graduation ceremony and dinner. The classes will be held at various locations throughout the City. The class size will be limited to approximately 25 participants.

Topics covered will include: crime scene investigations, narcotics investigations, child abuse investigations, traffic crash investigations, vehicle stops, SWAT operations and equipment, use of force tactics, building clearing, DWI enforcement, and an introduction to the K9 unit. After the class has been completed, a graduation ceremony is held to recognize each participant.

Interested persons are encouraged to contact Officer Lacey Baxter of the Special Enforcement Bureau of the Joplin Police Department at Ibaxter@joplinmo.org or at (417) 627-8880. An application can be viewed and printed from JPD's website, www.joplinmo.org, under the Events tab. An application can also be obtained at the front desk of the Joplin Police Department at 303 E. 3rd Street, in Joplin.

Application

To apply for the Citizens Police Academy via the online application, view the <u>Citizens Police Academy Application</u> in Adobe PDF format then mail or fax your completed form to:

Joplin Police Department Special Enforcement Bureau 115 E. 34th St. Joplin, MO 64804

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