# SOMERSET COUNTY

**POLICE ACADEMY POLICE YOUTH WEEK** 



Sponsored by the

**Somerset County Association of Chief's of Police** 



**Somerset County Prosecutor's Office** 

and

**Somerset County Sheriff's Office** 





"A Matter of Pride"

### **HISTORY OF THE** SOMERSET COUNTY POLICE ACADEMY

- The Somerset County Police Academy was established in 1987 as a result of the need to ensure quality law enforcement training for police officers in Somerset County. The Academy quickly developed and maintained a reputation for excellence in training.
- The Academy is operated by the Somerset County Prosecutor and is staffed by members of the Somerset County Prosecutor's Office, in conjunction with the Somerset County Sheriff's Office and the Chiefs and Directors of Police of all the Somerset County municipal police departments.
- For 25 years, and graduating more than 2000 officers, the Academy has provided comprehensive basic training programs each year for new county corrections officers and new municipal police and county sheriff's officers. These basic training programs titled "The Challenge Program" were designed to blend paramilitary stress inoculation training tempered with a collegiate classroom environment. The successfulness of these entry level programs is due to the highly demanding, experiential learning philosophy embraced by the Academy.
- For more than 25 years, the Academy has trained thousands of veteran law enforcement and corrections officers from not only Somerset County, but across the state of New Jersey, ensuring the officers serving the citizens of Somerset County and our state remain knowledgeable and proficient in their necessary skills.
- Since 1996, hundreds of Somerset County youths have successfully completed "Police Youth Week," a community based program funded by the Somerset County Association of Chiefs of Police and staffed by law enforcement agencies from throughout Somerset County.
- Upon request, the Academy provides training for community groups located throughout Somerset County in "Personal Safety," "Crime Prevention," and various other themes. The Academy also works with both the Boy and Girls Scouts of America, helping scouts achieve their scouting law enforcement or community based badges and awards.
- "Like us" on Facebook to hear about upcoming community programs and activities.

## **SOMERSET COUNTY POLICE ACADEMY**

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## PARENTAL / GUARDIAN INFORMATION:

## #1's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: Work/Day Phone #: (\_\_\_\_\_) Cell Phone #: (\_\_\_\_\_) Email: \_\_\_ #2's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: Work/Day Phone #: (\_\_\_\_\_) Cell Phone #: (\_\_\_\_\_) Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Another Emergency Contact Person & Phone #: Relationship:

## PRESS/PHOTOGRAPH RELEASE & CONSENT FOR MY CHILD TO PARTICIPATE IN POLICE YOUTH WEEK.

With my signature below, I state that I am the parent or guardian of: \_\_\_\_\_\_, a participant of the Somerset County Police Academy Police Youth Week Program. As a condition of attendance,

- I authorize the Somerset County Police Academy, and/ or media sources to photograph and publish pictures of my child as related to his/her participation in the Police Youth Week Program. Additionally, I authorize the release of my child's name to be reported for publication.
- Finally, I understand that participation in this structured program includes both classroom and practical or physical based activities.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature:

Parent/Guardian

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#### **POLICE YOUTH WEEK**

Beginning in 1996, each July, the Somerset County Association of Chiefs of Police has sponsored "Police Youth Week" for the youth of Somerset County at no cost to any participant.

The program is currently held at the Somerset County Emergency Services Training Academy (ESTA) 402 Roycefield Road Hillsborough, N. J. 08844 where the Somerset County Police Academy is located.

The objectives of this community program are structured to:

- (1) Introduce high school youths to a career in law enforcement.
- (2) Develop positive interaction between students and members of the law enforcement community.
- (3) Develop the concept of teamwork, self-confidence and enhanced communication skills in the attendee.

Participation in Police Youth Week will provide the attending student with an overview of the components of the criminal justice field. Students will receive a practical understanding of criminal justice components. The program will be conducted through both classroom and practical based exercises providing the student with not only an academic understanding but also a "hands-on" experience. The program is based on a four year curriculum to encourage the student to participate in the program the following years. It should be understood that due to the course design, it is not necessary to attend a previous year in order to attend a following year program. Topics for each Police Youth Week are varied, based on the scheduled curriculum.

Additionally, students will learn valuable skills including pride in appearance, communication skills, team work and problem solving. The program is being sponsored by the Somerset County Association of Chief's of Police, the Somerset County Prosecutor's Office and the Somerset County Sheriff's Office.

The program is open to students who:

- (1) Are residents of Somerset County or enrolled in a secondary school within the County, and
- (2) Are entering their freshman through senior year of high school, or have just completed their senior year.

Because of the importance of developing relationships in the community, there will be no cost for the program.

To apply for the program, applicants should fill out the included application in its entirety. **Applications are due at the Police Academy by June 10th.** 

Mail completed applications to:
POLICE YOUTH WEEK COORDINATOR
SOMERSET COUNTY POLICE ACADEMY

P.O. Box 3000, Somerville, NJ 08876-1262

**POLICE YOUTH WEEK JULY 17 - 21, 2017** 



# SOMERSET COUNTY POLICE ACADEMY POLICE YOUTH WEEK STUDENT APPLICATION

(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

First Name:							
Last Name:							
Age:	Grade:			Sex:			
Race:	Н	eight: _		_Weight:			
Allergies or medical concerns:							
Address:							
(Street)							
(City)		(Sta	te)	(Zip Code)			
Home Phone #: (_	) _						
Cell Phone #: (	) _						
Email:							
Adult Shirt Size:	S	M	L	XL			
Adult Short Size:	S	M	L	XL			
School Attends:							
I agree that I will arrive on time, demonstrate a positive attitude at all times and will follow the rules and regulations of the Police Youth Week Program.							

**Applicant** 

Signature: