

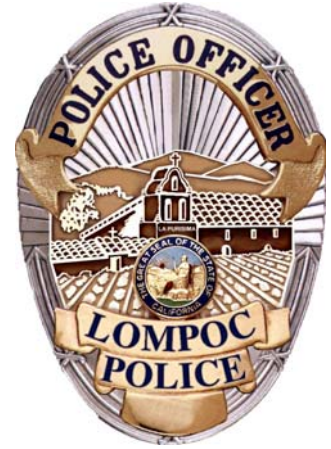
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TWO LOMPOC CITIZENS' POLICE ACADEMIES SCHEDULED FOR 2010

The Citizens' Academy is an informal 13-week course in the operations of the Lompoc Police Department and law enforcement in general. This is an excellent course for persons interested in learning the capabilities of the police and what is being done in our community. Each session is taught by the officer(s) working within each specialty area. Attendees will experience SWAT operations, patrol ride-alongs, police range techniques first hand as well as presentations on the following topics:

Dispatch/Records/Jail	Gangs	Criminal Law	Patrol Procedures
Community Policing	Major Crime Investigation	SWAT	Megan's Law
Narcotics Investigation	Traffic/DUI Enforcement	Firearms	Use of Force
K-9 Operations	Crime Prevention	Domestic Violence	

Students will also get the opportunity to experience the driving and force option simulators at the Allan Hancock College Law Enforcement Academy in Santa Maria.

Class 19 of the Lompoc Citizens' Police Academy is scheduled to begin on March 25, 2010. Class 20 will begin on August 5, 2010. Class sizes are limited to 25 students. So apply soon! The classes will be held on Thursday evenings from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM at the Lompoc Police Department. Applications can be obtained at the Lompoc Police Department lobby and will be available on line soon at www.LompocPD.com. Members of the media are welcome.

Participants in the Lompoc Citizens' Police Academy must be at least 14 year of age, have no felony arrest history and have not been arrested for any charge within the past three years. All applicants will be screened prior to admission into the class. The cost to academy participants is FREE!

For further information contact Citizens' Academy Coordinator, Sgt. Danny Rios, by phone @ 875-8155, or by email drios@ci.lompoc.ca.us.

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