

# *Citizen's Police Academy*



*Jacksonville Police Department*

*Donald R. Cook, Chief of Police*

The Jacksonville Police Department is offering the Citizen's Police Academy to members of our community. The goal of the Citizen's Police Academy is to not only help the local residents better understand police work in their community, but also to develop stronger ties between the community and their police agency in an effort to better address crime issues. It is through community cooperation and planning that we can best ensure quality police services in an organized and effective crime prevention program.

The academy is a ten-week program with the classes being held on Tuesday evenings from 6:30pm to 9:30pm. Classes will be held at the Municipal Building, 200 West Douglas. Each evening of instruction will cover different aspects of the law enforcement profession. There will be a Spring and Fall academy each year.

Jacksonville Police Department personnel will present the instruction during the Citizen's Police Academy with an occasional outside speaker. Some of the relevant topics that will be covered are: Criminal code, Vehicle Code, Gangs, DUI enforcement, Firearms, Domestic Battery and Use of Force. There will be hands-on training as well as simulated practical situations for the students to get a first-hand experience of law enforcement.

There will be a graduation dinner at the completion of the ten-week program and certificates issued to those who have met all requirements. Students must attend eight out of the ten weekly classes to successfully complete the program. There is no cost to students to participate in the Citizen's Police Academy.

Inquiries regarding the Jacksonville Police Department Citizen's Police Academy should be addressed to:

Jacksonville Police Department  
Citizen's Police Academy  
200 West Douglas  
Jacksonville, Illinois 62650

Any questions concerning the academy may be directed to class coordinators Sgt. Brian Coultas and Ptl. Eric Hansell. Phone: 479-4630

# Application for Citizen's Police Academy Jacksonville Police Department

Please Print or Type

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ MI \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Place of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Drivers License Number \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: M / F

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Employment \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Employment \_\_\_\_\_

May We Contact You At Work: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Shirt Size S M L XL XXL

## Requirements

- 1) Applicants must be 21 years of age or older
- 2) Applicants must live or work in Jacksonville
- 3) Applicants must have a valid drivers license
- 4) Applicants must not have been convicted of a felony in the past 10 years
- 5) Applicants must be willing to sign a waiver for criminal and traffic records check
- 6) Applicants must attend at least eight out of the ten classes

## Questions

- 1) Have you been convicted of a felony in the last 10 years? Yes No

If yes, explain

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2) Are there any charges pending against you now? Yes No

If yes, explain

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3) Are there any warrants (traffic or otherwise) pending against you? Yes No

If yes, explain

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**You may omit any offense committed before your 17<sup>th</sup> birthday, which were adjudicated in a Juvenile Court under a Youth Offender Law.**

**References**

Include telephone number and address

- 1) \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby swear that there are no willful misrepresentation or omissions in, or falsifications, of the foregoing statements and answers to questions. I am aware that should an investigation disclose such willful misrepresentations, falsifications or omissions, my application for the Citizen's Police academy will be rejected by the Jacksonville Police Department.

Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORITY TO RELEASE INFORMATION**

Having made application with the Jacksonville Police Department and desiring that they be informed of my previous records and character. I hereby authorize an investigation into all records which may be of interest to them. This authorization includes, but is not limited to: school, military, and employment records, whether privileged or not. This authorization to furnish information is executed in consideration of the Jacksonville Police Department giving my application consideration for the Citizen Police Academy and shall serve as a release of liability to all parties furnishing such information to the Jacksonville Police Department.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Sworn to and subscribed before me this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 200\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_, My commission expires \_\_\_\_\_.  
Notary Public

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