



JACKSONVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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November 5, 2021

To Jacksonville Citizens and Business Owners:

The Jacksonville Police Department will host a Citizens Police Academy beginning in January 2022. The goal of the Citizens Police Academy is to improve the relationship and rapport between the Jacksonville Police and the citizens of Jacksonville and surrounding areas. The program gives citizens the opportunity to express their concerns and ask questions. This two-way communication between police officers and the public has proven to be an effective, successful way to accomplish the goals and objectives of the Jacksonville Police Department.

You must be at least 18 years of age, live or work in the Jacksonville area and be able to pass a criminal background check.

The academy will begin on January 24, 2022 and will last approximately 8 weeks. We will meet at the Jacksonville Police Department training room on Monday nights from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. The class will be conducted in the new Public Safety Complex located at 911 S. Bolton.

Law enforcement topics covered will be police administration and policy development, patrol tactics, traffic enforcement and criminal investigations. Many of the topics taught will be "hands on" for those that want to participate. We are also including an optional Saturday when we will conduct firearms training for participants.

Graduation is scheduled for March 14th. After completing the program, we encourage you to take your knowledge out into the community and share with your friends and associates how your police department functions. We hope that you will educate others about the Jacksonville Police Department and promote a better understanding of our duties, capabilities and responsibilities.

If you are interested, please complete the attached application and return to the police department by December 17, 2021.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joe Williams".

Joe Williams, Chief of Police



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Citizens Police Academy Application

Date: _____

Name: _____ DL #: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Email: _____

Employer: _____

Employer Address: _____

Employer Phone: _____ Occupation: _____

T-shirt Size: _____

In order to be eligible to attend the Citizens Police Academy you must meet one of the following requirements (please check all that apply):

_____ Live in Jacksonville _____ Work in Jacksonville _____ Community Participant

If eligibility is based on participation in the community, please specify in what capacity: _____

Have you ever been prohibited from owning, possessing or purchasing any type of weapon?

_____ Yes _____ No

If you answered yes, please provide details as to the reasoning for the prohibition. If it was due to a criminal conviction, please include the date, place of arrest, offense and disposition of case. (info. will remain confidential) _____

Personal References:

1. Name _____ Ph. # _____
2. Name _____ Ph. # _____

Education: Highest grade completed? _____ College Graduate? _____

Emergency Contact:

Name _____ Ph # _____

Address: _____ Relationship _____

Please review your answers carefully and read the following statement before signing this application:

I hereby certify that there are no willful misrepresentations, omissions, or falsifications in the foregoing statements and answers to questions. I understand that any omissions of false statements on this application shall be sufficient cause for rejection for enrollment or dismissal from the Jacksonville Citizens Police Academy.

I further understand that the Jacksonville Police Department will be conducting a thorough background investigation that may include, but not limited to, criminal history, employment history and personal references. I declare that I have never been convicted of a felony offense. I also understand that any student may be removed from the Jacksonville Citizens Police Academy if the student is disruptive or otherwise inhibits the learning environment of the class.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please return to Jacksonville PD at above address or you may also send via email to joe.williams@jacksonvilletx.org



**Jacksonville Police Department
Citizens Police Academy**

WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

**State of Texas
Cherokee County**

I, _____, for and in consideration of the privilege of being a participant in the Citizens Police Academy of the City of Jacksonville, Texas, and allowed use of the City of Jacksonville, TX property, equipment and services, including but not limited to the weapons firing range, and recognizing that such activity is dangerous to my property and person, do hereby assume the risks attendant to such activity, to include property damage and physical injury from such service, and do hereby release and hold harmless the City of Jacksonville, TX, its' City Councils, Police Departments, agents and employees, and representatives in both their public and private capacities, from any and all liability, claims, suits, demands or causes of action which may arise.

It is further agreed that the execution of this release shall not constitute a waiver by the City of Jacksonville, TX of defense of governmental immunity, where applicable, or any other defense recognized by the Courts of this State.

Signed, this the _____ day of _____ 20____ A.D.

(Applicant Signature)

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me, this _____ day of _____,
20 ____ A.D.

Notary Public, State of Texas

**PLEASE INCLUDE A
COPY OF YOUR
DRIVERS LICENSE OR
IDENTIFICATION
CARD!!**