

CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY



WHY A POLICE ACADEMY FOR CITIZENS?

The intended result of the academy is to give our residents a better understanding of what we do and how we do it. We hope to also build an ongoing working relationship with those attendees that will extend through the coming years in our mutual fight against crime and disorder.

We believe that the more educated the public is about how the police department operates, the more trustworthy and less feared we become. The classes offered will cover our basic operations and will be instructed mostly by members of the Parkersburg Police Department. All classes are designed by members of the police department and are intended to give overviews of the area taught.

Ten sessions will be held with classes taking place one night a week, generally from 6:00 p.m. to around 9:00 p.m. Many of the classes will contain “hands on” work for the attendees. Class members will also have the opportunity to ride with a police officer during a tour of duty. **There is no charge to attend the academy.** Drinks and snacks will be provided.

COURSE CURRICULUM

- Class 1: Orientation/Department Administration/Operations
- Class 2: Criminal Investigations/Juvenile Investigations
- Class 3: Use of Force/Traffic Stops/Taser
- Class 4: DUI's/Prisoner Processing
- Class 5: Evidence Technician/Crime Scene Processing
- Class 6: Narcotics
- Class 7: Canine Unit
- Class 8: Firearms/S.W.A.T.
- Class 9: Computer Crimes/Chaplain Program
- Class 10: Mock Court Case/Graduation
- To Be Scheduled: Ride-Along with Uniform Division

C.P.A. QUALIFICATIONS

All applicants for the Citizens Police Academy must:

- Be at least 18 years of age.
- Undergo a criminal background check.
- Be a Wood County resident.
- Must be able to attend all classes.

HOW DO I APPLY

Applications are available at:

Parkersburg Police Department
#1 Government Square-3rd floor
Parkersburg, WV 26101

Parkersburg Police Substation
Parkersburg City Park

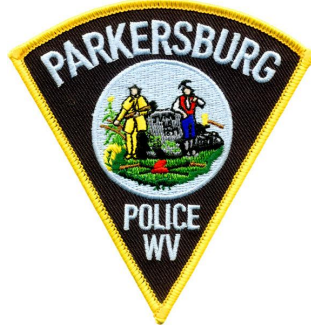
Parkersburg Police Substation
401A 13th Street

For more information, please call the Parkersburg Police Department at 424-8444.

All CPA courses are offered free of charge but are limited in size, so please get your application in soon as possible. When the academy class is full, applications may be held for future classes.

Note: The classes are posted in the order they are scheduled to be presented, however, due to the nature of police work, it may become necessary to change the class topic for any given night to accommodate an instructors needs.

Please detach the first two pages and keep for your records.



**APPLICATION FOR
PARKERSBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT'S
CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY**

Name: _____
Last First Middle (Maiden Name)

Address: _____
Street/Apt # City State Zip

Phone: Home: _____ Work: _____ Cell: _____

Social Security Number (last four only): _____ Date of Birth: _____

Drivers License: State: _____ Number: _____ Expires: _____

Class: _____ License Currently Valid? Yes No Sex: Male or Female

Have you ever been charged with a crime? Yes No

Have you ever been convicted of a felony? Yes No

Have you ever been convicted of a crime or traffic offense requiring jail time? Yes No

Physical Condition: Excellent Good Fair Poor

Employer: _____

Address: _____
Street/Apt. # City State Zip

Job Title/Duties Performed: _____

What do you expect to get out of the academy? _____

Please provide the names and phone numbers of two (2) character references:

1. _____

2. _____

I affirm that the information on this application is true and complete to the best of knowledge. I understand that deliberate false statements or the withholding of information may make me ineligible to be considered as a Citizens Police Academy applicant. I understand the police department reserves the right to disqualify anyone convicted of a felony or certain misdemeanors from participation in the academy. I give the Parkersburg Police Department permission to conduct any background investigation they deem necessary on me as part of the processing of this application, and to use any information obtained in accordance with the policies of the Parkersburg Police Department.

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

CAREFULLY READ AND SIGN THE FOLLOWING:

I am applying to be a participant in the City of Parkersburg Citizens Police Academy. I acknowledge that my participation will include not only classroom lectures, but hands-on exercises as well. In consideration of my being permitted to attend the Citizens Police Academy, I agree to assume all risks associated with my participation, and release and hold harmless the City, its officers, agents and employees from and against any and all claims, damages, liabilities, costs and expenses, including attorney’s fees, arising out of my participation, including without limitation any personal or bodily injuries or property damage that I may incur as a result of the actions of myself or other persons. I agree to abide by all rules and instructions given by the City, its officers, agents or employees with respect to my participation. I warrant that I am of legal age and fully understand the foregoing terms.

Applicant’s Signature: _____ Date: _____

Return this application promptly to:

**Parkersburg Police Department
Citizens Police Academy
#1 Government Square
Parkersburg, WV 26102**

(Application revised February 21, 2013-wgc)

