

BEDFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT Citizens Police Academy

What is it?

The Citizens Police Academy is a free course designed to give Bedford citizens, business owners, managers, and employees' working knowledge of their police department. We believe that an informed citizen is one that is better able to understand decisions made by the police department. Most importantly, the class is designed to increase positive relationships between the police and the community.

Who is eligible and how do I apply?

You must be at least 21 years old, and live or work in Bedford. A background check will be performed on all applicants. The class fills up quickly and a waiting list is established for anyone who cannot be placed in the upcoming class.



How are the classes conducted?

Citizens meet one night a week for twelve weeks. You will receive thirty-three hours of instruction by certified police officers and other expert instructors.

Classes will begin in January
(Dates to be determined)

Class time will be from 6:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m.

What is covered in the classes?

Here is a sample of what will be covered:

- Patrol
- Traffic
- Criminal Investigations
- Records Management
- Crime Scene
- Community Relations
- Juvenile Crimes
- Narcotics
- Animal Control Operations
- Dispatch/Communications
- Training
- Internal Affairs
- Facility Tour
- City Court

If you are interested, please fill out the application on the reverse side. Thank you!



Name

Residential Address

City

Social Security Number

Date of Birth

Driver's License Number

Phone Number

Email

Place of Employment

Business Address

Work Phone

Occupation

By signing below, I give my consent to the Bedford Police Department to check my background for the purpose of being selected to the Citizens Police Academy/Rider program. The application information provided will be verified. After completion of the background you MAY or MAY NOT be selected to participate in the Citizens Police Academy/Rider program.

I agree and understand the Bedford Police Department has the right to refuse admission to join the program. I agree and understand that in the event I am refused admission, that no information regarding that decision will be released to me.

Signature

Date

**Bedford Police Department
Community Relations Division
2121 L. Don Dodson Drive
Bedford, Texas 76021
817-952-2475**

Please mail or drop off to above address



What you learn will not only benefit you. If shared with family, friends, neighbors and co-workers, it could have a significant impact on police and community relations.

