



Fresno County Sheriff's Department

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SHERIFF'S CITIZEN'S ACADEMY TO GRADUATE JUNE 15, 2005

Sheriff Richard Pierce is pleased to announce the graduation ceremony of the Fresno County Sheriff's Department's second Citizen's Academy class on Wednesday, June 15, 2005.

The class comprised of Fresno County citizens has met each Wednesday night for the past sixteen weeks. Participants learned about numerous topics related to law enforcement and crime prevention so that they can better understand the way the Fresno Sheriff's Department works. Class topics included Laws of Arrest, Patrol Procedures, Detective Procedures, Traffic Simulator, Firearms, Corrections Operations including a tour of the jail and Specialty Units including Air Support, Dive Unit, K-9, Mounted Patrol, Search and Rescue and SWAT. The academy was designed and implemented by the Sheriff's Department to foster a better understanding of the public it serves by working collaboratively to develop a partnership that will foster mutual understanding and respect.

Anyone who is interested in applying for a slot in the next class should contact Sergeant John Golden at (559) 292-1138 or via email at john.golden@fresnosheriff.org for an application. Applicants must work or live in the County of Fresno and are subject to a background check.

Members of the media are invited to the Sheriff's Department Main Headquarters, 2200 Fresno Street on Wednesday, June 15, 2005 at 6PM for the graduation ceremony.