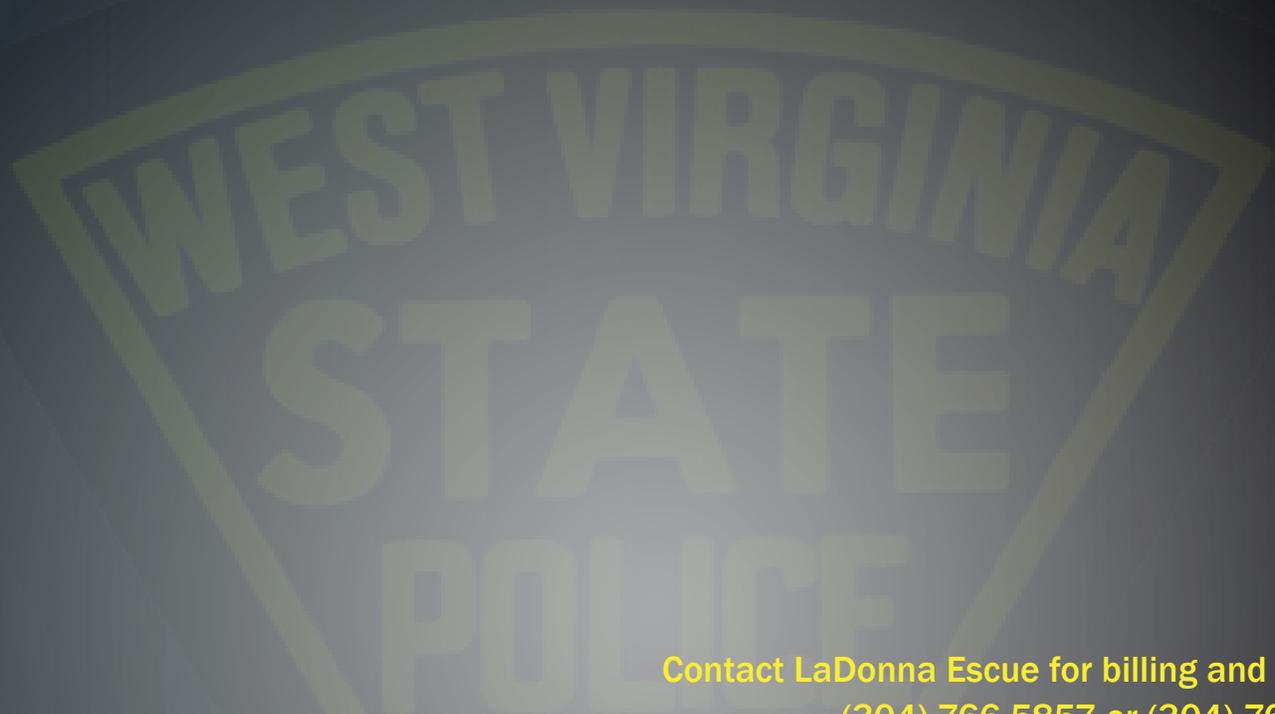




West Virginia State Police Professional Development Center



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2020 Training Course Schedule



*"Education breeds confidence.
Confidence breeds hope. Hope breeds peace."*

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Introduction

***“We don’t rise to the level of our expectations,
we fall to the level of our training.”***

~ Archilochos ~

We are committed to provide local, state and federal law enforcement agencies low cost education and training that will produce highly skilled and professional police officers.

Classes are taught by subject matter experts with extensive education, training, experience and proven success in their areas of expertise. These subject matter experts teach courses that are relevant and current to your needs. The world of law enforcement is an ever changing environment that demands training be tailored to what is taking place in your community, your county, your state, and our Nation today. We can assure you this is happening at the Professional Development Center and continues to be an ongoing priority for our Staff.

It is an honor and a privilege to have this opportunity to provide every Police Officer who attends the Academy the best training in the country.

About our Facility

The Professional Development Center offers approximately 12,000 square feet of office and classroom space. The PDC has four classrooms, the largest of which can accommodate 75 students and includes a 42 station computer lab. Each of the four classrooms are equipped with 85-inch televisions, computers, LCD projectors, DVD players, a public address system, a white board, an ELMO, and a smart board. Free Wi-Fi and public computer access is available to all students.



Mission Statement

The mission of the West Virginia State Police Professional Development Center has been and remains to be focusing our efforts on providing the police officers of West Virginia with the most current methods of training in the area of law enforcement to promote efficiency and effectiveness to better serve the citizens of West Virginia. Our mission is also to upgrade the professional skills of West Virginia law enforcement personnel at all levels of government. This has been a continuing goal of the West Virginia State Police Academy since 1949. 71 years later, there are many new methods of instruction as well as improved technological advances in the field of police training. However, our mission remains the same, to upgrade the professional skills of West Virginia law enforcement personnel at all levels of government.

Procedures

Registration Procedures

Attendance and enrollment in the classes within this catalog are restricted to certified police officers, chiefs of police and sheriffs. The Director of Professional Development may grant exemptions to this rule on a case by case basis.

Registration must be received no later than two weeks prior to the course start date. Agencies and/or individuals with outstanding debts to the Academy will not be permitted to register for courses.

Complete registration information can be found following the course descriptions on page 11. The course registration form can be found on page 43.

Cancellation Policy

Individuals who cancel their registration for a course must do so at least two weeks in advance of the start of the course. Failure to give adequate notice of cancellation will result in forfeiture of tuition and prevents others on a waiting list from attending the course. Your cooperation in reducing the number of “no shows” is appreciated. The intent and purpose of this policy is to encourage enrollees to attend courses for which they have registered.

Some courses are subject to cancellation by the Professional Development Center due to inadequate enrollment.

In-Service Credit

In-service accreditation will be awarded for all applicable courses through the Law Enforcement Professional Standards Committee (LEPSC) of the Governor’s Committee on Crime, Delinquency and Correction.

Classroom Presentation and Management

As a general rule, classes will begin between 8:00 and 8:30 a.m. and may conclude as late as 5:00 p.m. daily, unless otherwise noted. Certain courses may require additional evening training hours. Instructional breaks and lunch periods will be set by the course instructor or supervisor. Smoking is not allowed within the buildings located on the academy complex. All students are expected to display a professional demeanor at all times and are required to adhere to the rules and regulations governing the West Virginia State Police Academy.

Dress Code

The West Virginia State Police Academy and Professional Development Center strive to provide and maintain the highest standards of training. With this in mind, students are requested to **dress appropriately in casual business attire**. **No shorts, tank-tops, sweats or athletic attire or other clothing considered unprofessional will be worn on academy grounds, outside of the privacy of the dormitories. Jeans are permissible, however, they will be clean and not faded, frayed, have holes or patches. T-shirts with obnoxious logos will not be permitted.** Those courses that may require specific clothing such as fatigues or physical training apparel are exceptions to the dress code.

Directions

The Professional Development Center is located west of Charleston, WV along Interstate 64. Take exit number 50, Institute, to WV Route 25. Proceed east on Route 25 for approximately 3/4 of a mile and then turn left onto Academy Drive. The Professional Development Center is located approximately 3/10 mile past the main complex on Academy Drive. Parking is available at the Professional Development Center.

Registration

All courses are filled on a "***first come, first serve***" basis. Registration (using the form on page 43) for each class must be received in writing by fax, mail or e-mail. To register for any of the classes listed in this catalog, unless otherwise noted, contact:

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Dunbar, WV 25064
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E-mail: ladonna.r.escue@wvsp.gov

A faxed letter or e-mail of confirmation will be sent upon receipt of each request. This confirmation letter will advise the individual that they are registered for the course or that the course is full and their name has been placed on a waiting list.

West Virginia State Police members must submit a request through channels to attend the courses listed.

2020 Course Schedule

Month	Date	Course
January	21-23	Crash Reconstructon Refresher Course
February	10-11	Forensic and Evidentiary Photography Techniques
February	19	Cyber Crime and Social Media
March	10	Death Investigations
March	18-19	Advanced Low Light Firearms
March	23-27	Instructor Development
March	24	Electronic Crimes and the Digital Fingerprint
April	1-3	Patrol Officer's Tactical Response to Active Shooter
April	6	Criminal Patrol Tactics and Hidden Compartments
April	13	Leadership Concepts
April	14-15	Blood Dynamics
April	20-24	Crime Scene Processing
April	21-22	Terrorism Awareness
April	23	EDP Encounters: Level 1
April	28	Battle Scared
May	5-6	Fire Scene Evidence Collection
May	11	Criminal Patrol Tactics and Hidden Compartments
May	18-19	Forensic and Evidentiary Photography Techniques
May	28	Defensive Driving-Prevention of Litigation, Injuries, and Accidents
June	1-2	The Altercation and Aftermath
June	4-5	Statement Analysis
June	8-12	Defensive Tactics Instructor
June	17	EDP Encounters: Level 1
June	22-26	Instructor Development
June	22-26	RADAR/LIDAR Instructor Course
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Course Schedule

Month	Date	Course
August	3-7	Handgun Instructor
August	10-11	Crime Scene Search, Sketch, and Documentation
September	8	Criminal Patrol Tactics and Hidden Compartments
September	16	Better Analytical and Chronological Reports
September	23	Law Enforcement Information Sharing and Intelligence
September	23-25	Patrol Officer's Tactical Response to Active Shooter
October	1	Death Investigations
October	5-9	Crime Scene Processing
October	5-9	Shotgun/Rifle Instructor
October	7	Field Training Officer
October	13-14	Blood Dynamics
October	13-14	The Altercation and Aftermath
October	15	Coordinating and Managing the FTO Program
October	19-23	Instructor Development
October	21	Crime Scene Digital Photography
October	21	Cyber Crime and Social Media
October	21	Leadership Concepts
October	28	Defensive Driving-Prevention of Litigation, Injuries, and Accidents
November	4	Modernization of Cuffing
November	16-17	Forensic and Evidentiary Photography Techniques

Course Descriptions

Advanced Low Light Firearms (16 Hours)

The low light instructor class is a 16 hour class designed for the officer who is currently certified as a handgun instructor. It is imperative that officers have training in low light conditions and instructors need to be prepared to conduct low light training in a safe environment. This class will prepare instructors for special circumstances that occur during low light training. The student will provide a duty type hand gun, three magazines, duty gear and 500 rounds of ammunition. Please do not bring reloaded ammunition to class. Only ammunition of reputable manufacture will be allowed.

Date(s): March 18-19, 2020

Cost: \$95.00

Instructor: Cpl. Josh Eldridge

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

The Altercation and Aftermath (16 Hours Supervisory/Non-Supervisory)

This course will focus on the Physiological and Psychological effects of incidents that have happened to Law Enforcement officers around the State of West Virginia. Each officer will discuss their traumatic events in depth from start to finish. They will also detail the aftermath it has caused to their wellbeing, families, friends, and coworkers. They will discuss the do's and don'ts of supervisors, command staff, fellow LE brothers and sisters, coming back too early, support at the scene, tactical, medical, training, and legal aspects. This class will be beneficial for every member of WV Law Enforcement command staff down for a better understanding of any major incidents that occur moving forward. There will be an 8-10 officer panel detailing events. Day 1 will be dedicated to the Altercations or Incidents; Day 2 will be dedicated to the Aftermaths and Discussions.

Date(s): June 1-2, 2020;

Cost: \$ 100.00

October 13-14, 2020

Instructor: Sgt. David Fry; Sgt. Shannon Loudin; Sgt. Andrew Pringle; Cpl. Nathan Hersman; Retired Cpl. Frank Holcomb; Retired 1/Sgt. Robert Mefford; Chief Eric Johnson; Patrolman Seth Johnson

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

Course Descriptions

Battle Scarred (8 Hours Supervisory)

This course will expose toxicities of the Law Enforcement career and lead the officer as well as the supervisor to a deeper understanding of not just how to survive the battle but how to live with vitality as a result of it. The necessity of law enforcement of being armed and vigilant to protect the innocent and defenseless, not to mention their fellow officers and themselves, against the assaults of human predators will cause wounds, often unseen, in all those sworn to uphold the law. The performance of the police officer is directly affected by their perception of reality. This exposure to the battle will change an officer's perception, thus performance at work and home. This course will address these issues.

Date(s): April 28, 2020

Cost: \$50.00

Instructor: Sgt. James Mitchell

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

Better Analytical and Chronological Reports (8 Hours)

This course will provide a comprehensive refresher to the officer's report writing skills. Along with proper grammar and sentence structure, the students will learn how to use clear, concise and simple language to tell the story or document the investigation. The course will demonstrate techniques for properly sequencing a report in a logical and organized manner that anyone can follow. The student will learn how to write a report that positively and fully represents the case and limits an officer's problems in court.

Date(s): September 16, 2020

Cost: \$75.00

Instructor: Sgt. David Fry

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

Blood Dynamics (16 Hours)

This course is intended to familiarize the student with the variety and significance of bloodstain patterns encountered at scenes involving bloodshed. The student will be introduced to proper bloodstain pattern taxonomy, dispersion mechanisms, and documentation methods. Students will also be introduced to simple chemical presumptive blood testing methods, as well as proper methods of collecting questioned and known blood/DNA samples. Instructors will use power point presentations and relevant case studies to illustrate the specific learning objectives.

Date(s): April 14-15, 2020;
October 13-14, 2020

Cost: \$125.00

Instructor(s): Sgt. Steve Compton and
Lt. Dave Castle

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

Case Law for Law Enforcement (8 Hours Supervisory)

This course focuses on case law related to traffic stops, sobriety checkpoints, response to resistance or aggression, failure to identify and other law enforcement related matters that are trending across the country related to law enforcement interactions with the public. Terry v. Ohio, Tennessee v. Garner, Graham v. Connor and many other rulings related to the reasonableness of seizures under the Fourth Amendment of the United States Constitution will be discussed.

This course is an interactive, fast paced block of instruction that will instill confidence in police officers to professionally handle encounters with confrontational, non-complaint individuals without violating their Fourth Amendment rights. Video footage from social media sites depicting interactions between law enforcement and the public are reviewed and critiqued using applicable case law.

Date(s): NOT OFFERED IN 2020

Cost: \$95.00

Instructor: Major Joe White

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

Coordinating and Managing the FTO Program (8 Hours Supervisory)

This course focuses on the responsibilities of the FTO program manager, supervisors, and the FTO. This class is a must have for Officers or Administration tasked with coordinating, supervising, and overseeing the FTO Program. Information will be given which you can immediately apply towards building a stronger and more effective FTO program. Specific attention will be focused on the program management and supervisory tasks which must be addressed in order to run an up-to-date and legally defensible FTO Program.

Some Topics Include but not limited to:

- ◇ The duties and responsibilities of the FTO program manager.
- ◇ The FTO program responsibilities of the shift supervisor.
- ◇ FTO selection process.
- ◇ The FTO Specialty Unit and benefits.
- ◇ FTO program paperwork and manuals.
- ◇ Preparing your new FTOs to work with trainee.
- ◇ Preparing a new trainee to enter the FTO program.
- ◇ How to determine if your trainees are passing or failing the FTO Program.
- ◇ Remedial training action plans for failing trainees.
- ◇ Landmark FTO Program law suits.
- ◇ Preparing for a trainee termination.

Date(s): October 15, 2020

Cost: \$100.00

Instructor: 1/Sgt. Terry Mills

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

Crash Reconstruction Refresher Course (24 Hours)

This class will refresh the skills learned during Advanced Crash Investigation and Crash Reconstruction. The class will have a primary focus on refreshing the investigators math skills. Students will review fatality reports during this class.

Date(s): January 21-23, 2020

Cost: \$150.00

Instructor: 1/Sgt. G.S. Petsko and
Cpl. R.A. Marsh

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

Crime Scene Digital Photography (8 Hours)

The course is designed to provide the crime scene photographer with more detailed instruction and techniques for operating a digital SLR camera for use in specific situations unique to crime scenes and law enforcement. This course will include a focus on how different manual settings of the Digital SLR affect the light gathering of the camera, depth of field, perspective, field of view, etc. This course will also provide hands on training and demonstrations in the effective use of the techniques that are being trained. **(10 students maximum)**

Special Concerns: Each student will need to provide a Digital SLR camera and tripod.

Date(s): October 21, 2020

Cost: \$50.00

Instructor: Sgt. Jason Garnes

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

Course Descriptions

Crime Scene Processing (40 Hours)

This course will focus on the proper collection and handling of evidence found at a crime scene. Emphasis will be placed on photography, blood, semen and DNA collection techniques, latent print techniques, fire and arson evidence collection and bullet trajectory. This course will also address West Virginia State Police Lab techniques and recommended products for purchase by agencies and recommended products to avoid for evidence collection.

Date(s): April 20-24, 2020;
October 5-9, 2020

Cost: \$295.00

Instructor(s): West Virginia State Police Lab Technicians Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

Crime Scene Search, Sketch, and Documentation

(16 Hours)

This course is specifically designed for anyone who is tasked with evidence collection, crime scene documentation, and possible reconstruction of crime scene through notes and photographs for court purposes of major crimes. This class will cover search techniques for indoor and outdoor areas, methods for note taking and sketching scenes including collected evidence, and crime scene reconstruction.

Date(s): August 10-11, 2020

Cost: \$125.00

Instructor: Lara D'agostin, CLPE

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

Course Descriptions

Death Investigations (8 Hours)

This course is designed for both uniform and investigative law enforcement personnel who have responsibility for the investigation of deaths. It involves the process of analyzing all aspects of a death case so as to arrive at the true course and manner of death. The importance of scene analysis, physical and psychological evidence, autopsy, etc. Is emphasized.

Date(s): March 10, 2020;
October 1, 2020

Cost: \$75.00

Instructor: 1/Sgt. Terry Mills

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

Defensive Driving - Prevention of Litigation, Injuries, and Accidents

(8 Hours)

This course is designed to teach law enforcement officers the correct technique and procedures for the safe operation of a patrol vehicle under both normal and stressful driving conditions. The class will consist of lecture and practical driving.

Date(s): May 28, 2020; October 28, 2020

Cost: \$100.00

Instructor: 1/Sgt. Jeff Losh

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

Defensive Tactics Instructor (40 Hours)

This course provides training in various methods of empty hand, self defense and survival techniques for the modern law enforcement officer. This program is also intended to increase the officer's knowledge and understanding in regards to the legal ramifications of a law enforcement officer's response to resistance/aggression. This block of instruction is designed to help the officer instruct other officers throughout the state. This course will provide a three-year certification.

Special Concerns: Mandatory passing of PT test, BDU's, gunbelt, wrestling/running shoes, personal protective equipment.

Date(s): June 8-12, 2020

Cost: \$250.00

Instructor(s): Cpl. Jamie Barker and
Cpl. Joe Comer

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

EDP Encounters: Level 1 (8 Hours)

A joint one-day seminar with Mental Health and Law Enforcement (LE) trainers on emotionally disturbed persons (EDP).

Topics include:

- Identifying substance-specific intoxication indicators and related safety concerns.
- Indicators of severe mental illness/disturbance.
- Review of recent case law of LE and EDP interactions, what today's officers need to know in report writing and decision making.
- Assessment of mental states, body language, and intention of harm.
- Communication and de-escalation techniques while maintaining officer safety.

Date(s): April 23, 2020; June 17, 2020

Cost: \$100.00

Instructor(s): Dr. Rachael Hatfield and
Corporal J.R. Hatfield

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

Electronic Crimes and the Digital Fingerprint (8 Hours)

This course is designed to provide the investigator with tools and tips when investigating electronic crimes. More and more we are dealing with cell phones, laptops, tables, credit card skimmers, re-encoded credit cards, and the criminals who are using them. This course will show students what free tools are available to them when investigating electronic crimes

Topics include:

- ◇ Credit card skimmers.
- ◇ Credit card fraud.
- ◇ Gift card and Debit card investigations.
- ◇ WV State Code applying to digital crimes.
- ◇ Preservation of digital evidence.
- ◇ Handling of digital evidence.
- ◇ Search warrants for digital evidence.

Date(s): March 24, 2020

Cost: \$95.00

Instructor: Detective Cpl. Jeremy Thompson Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

Field Training Officer (Entry Level - 8 Hours)

This 8-hour course will assist Future Field Training Officers in preparing New officer to function as a solo police officer at the conclusion of their training cycle. This course highlights the duties of the FTO's involvement in being a role model, clearly communicating the expectations of training, teaching the trainee the policies of the department, correctly applying concepts learned in the classroom to field training operations, and evaluating the trainee on his or her progress in the program. Ultimately, the FTO is responsible for making sure shift duties are performed properly and completely. Discussion and special focus on the San Jose Model used in public safety agencies across the country. This FTO program model has been successfully defended in Federal Court. We will explain the benefits of using the Field Training and Evaluation Program and your specific roles as a field training officer will be presented and discussed.

Topics include:

- Basic FTO program concepts and philosophies.
- Your roles as a field training officer.
- Documenting your trainee.
- FTO program documents and forms.
- The basic FTO program structure and how to make modifications.
- Preparing your trainee for the FTO program.
- Responsibilities during the FTO program.
- Handling calls with your trainee.
- Adult learning, memory and how stress impacts your trainee's performance.
- Dealing with difficult trainees.
- The "Recruit Training Checklist".
- The "Daily Observation Report".
- The "Standardized Evaluation Guidelines" and rating scale application.
- Ethical dilemmas facing all FTOs.
- How to develop your "Remedial Training Action Plans".
- The proper use of the "N.R.T." designation.

Date(s): October 7, 2020**Cost:** \$100.00**Instructor:** 1/Sgt. Terry Mills

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

Course Descriptions

Fire Scene Evidence Collection (16 Hours)

This course focuses on proper techniques of evidence collection and preservation with special emphasis on fire scenes. Proper documentation including photography, chain-of-custody, and scene diagramming are covered in the course material. Laboratory analysis of evidence and understanding reports issued by the laboratory are included are also covered. In addition, this course will cover special topics in fire debris packaging and analysis and how this can affect laboratory results. The course emphasizes communication between the fire investigator, evidence technician, and the laboratory. This course is recognized by the WV State Fire Commission.

Date(s): May 5-6, 2020

Cost: \$95.00

Instructor: Koren Powers

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

Forensic and Evidentiary Photography Techniques (16 Hours)

This course is specifically designed for anyone who is tasked with the responsibility of having to document crime scenes, accident scenes, evidentiary items, and latent print evidence. This class will cover using manual settings on digital SLR cameras (aperture, shutter speed, and ISO) for taking pictures in any situation, image compression (lossy vs lossless) and storage solutions, image composition, and evidentiary needs for photographs submitted to the laboratory for evaluation. Examination photography of evidence, impression photography, flash photography, night and low light photography, as well as situations with Luminol for blood stain documentation will be covered.

Special Concerns: Each student will need to provide an SLR digital camera and tripod.

Date(s): February 10-11, 2020;

Cost: \$125.00

May 18-19, 2020; November 16-17, 2020

Instructor(s): Lara D'agostin, CLPE
WV State Police Forensic Laboratory

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

Handgun Instructor (40 Hours)

The handgun instructor class is a 40 hour class designed for the officer that wishes to conduct firearms training in the state of WV. Prospective students are expected to be proficient with a handgun prior to arrival in the class. (This is not a basic operator class). Students will have to qualify on the first day with a minimum score of 90% on the prescribed course. This course meets the standard for certification through the WV Law Enforcement Training Committee. The student will provide a duty type handgun, three magazines, duty gear and 1000 rounds of ammunition. Please do not bring reloaded ammunition to class. Only ammunition of reputable manufacture will be allowed.

Date(s): August 3-7, 2020

Cost: \$295.00

Instructor(s): Cpl. Josh Eldridge

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

Instructor Development (40 Hours)

This course of study is required prior to receiving certification as a law enforcement training instructor. The training is designed to improve and develop teaching skills. Topics include: adult classroom management, lesson planning and organizing, and the use of visual aids.

Date(s): March 23-27, 2020;
June 22-26, 2020;
October 19-23, 2020

Cost: \$200.00

Instructor: 1/Sgt. Jay Powers

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

Course Descriptions

Law Enforcement Information Sharing and Intelligence (8 Hours)

This course examines the importance of information sharing in the Law Enforcement Community to include Federal, State, County, Municipal Agencies and Task Forces. The class opens discussions regarding tools available and avenues to facilitate this flow of information. In addition critical intelligence issues including the lawful basis for collecting raw information for an intelligence inquiry, maintaining operational security of collected information, the issue of civil rights and information classifications such as “need to know”.

Date(s): September 23, 2020

Cost: \$100.00

Instructor: Retired Sgt. Jim Light

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

Leadership Concepts (8 Hours Supervisory Level)

The course will introduce the student to the concept of leadership for law enforcement and examine the concept as a complex process with multiple dimensions. Emphasizing in-depth definitions, descriptions, theories and application, the student will learn how to incorporate these concepts into the practice of leadership.

Date(s): April 13, 2020; October 21, 2020

Cost: \$100.00

Instructor: 1/Sgt. Clint Lantz and
Sgt. Kenneth Murray

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

Modernization of Cuffing (8 Hours)

This course is designed to better prepare officers for physical encounters involving handcuffing techniques. The course will reinforce the principles of officer safety and include instruction on proper defensive tactics techniques in situations where handcuffing is involved.

Date(s): November 4, 2020

Cost: \$75.00

Instructor(s): Cpl. Jamie Barker

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

Patrol Officer's Tactical Response to Active Shooter (24 Hours)

This course is designed to help prepare Patrol Officers to quickly and efficiently respond to an active shooter situation. Students will receive instruction on how to tactically respond to and neutralize an active shooter threat. Students will be instructed in classroom, range drills and simulation scenarios to further their understanding and skill set in the chaotic environment of an active shooter incident.

Special Concerns: Students will need to bring: Body armor, duty pistol and belt, ammo carry bag or load bearing vest normally accessible on road patrol, department approved patrol rifle or long gun carried on patrol, 200 rounds for patrol rifle/long gun (minimum), boots, fatigue uniform, hearing and eye protection, First Aid kit, and Hydration System.

Date(s): April 1-3, 2020;
September 23-25, 2020

Cost: \$150.00

Instructor(s): Retired 1/Sgt. Robert Mefford
and Cpl. Jamie Harris

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

Course Descriptions

RADAR/LIDAR Instructor Course (40 Hours)

This combined course will improve your knowledge of both RADAR and LIDAR speed measurement devices and give you the instructional tools to present RADAR and LIDAR training programs to other members of law enforcement.

You will learn the different scientific principles behind these devices and their proper application within the overall speed enforcement program. In addition, you will learn the various aspects of equipment use such as testing and verification protocols, case law, health issues, and many other operational considerations will be covered.

Date(s): June 22-26, 2020

Cost: \$295.00

Instructor: Retired 1/Lt. Donald Underwood Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

Shotgun/Rifle Instructor (40 Hours)

The shotgun/rifle instructor course is a 40 hour class designed for the officer who is a currently certified handgun instructor. This class meets the WV Law Enforcement Training Committee standard and will add the long gun certification to the instructors resume. WVLEPS certification as a handgun instructor is a prerequisite for admittance into this class. The student will provide a duty type shotgun, a carbine/patrol rifle, duty pistol and gear as well as 250 rounds of low brass bird shot, 50 rounds of slug, 200 rounds of carbine/patrol rifle ammo and 50 rounds of pistol ammo. Please do not bring reloaded ammunition to class. Only ammunition of reputable manufacture will be allowed.

Date(s): October 5-9, 2020

Cost: \$195.00

Instructor: Cpl. Josh Eldridge and Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.
Retired 1/Sgt. Gary Martin

Statement Analysis (16 Hours)

This course is designed and intended for the criminal investigator who seeks to improve their effectiveness as an interviewer. The first part of the course will be devoted to learning the principles of statement analysis through indicators of veracity, indicators of deception, use of nouns, verbs, adverbs and adjectives, and statement structure and organization. This portion will lay the foundation for the actual interview by giving the interviewer insight into the author's areas of truthfulness and deception. The interviewing techniques will enhance the interviewer's ability to communicate and solicit information from the interviewee. This course requires active participation from the student.

Date(s): June 4-5, 2020

Cost: \$125.00

Instructor: 1/Lt. Kim Akers

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

Terrorism Awareness (16 Hours Supervisory Level)

This course is designed to provide an in depth look at extremist groups such as sovereign citizens and others groups that target law enforcement. This course will explore groups who entice and record law enforcement interaction with the group and the legal issues surrounding these interactions.

Date(s): April 21-22, 2020

Cost: \$75.00

Instructor: Retired Sgt. Jim Light

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

Training Staff and Instructors

Professional Development Center Faculty

1/Lt. Rob Petry

1/Lt. Petry is a 22-year veteran of the West Virginia State Police and is currently assigned to the West Virginia State Police Academy as the Director of Professional Development. He is a Master Use of Force Instructor, ASP Instructor, Oleoresin Capsicum Instructor, Officer Survivability Instructor, Gracie Survival Tactics Instructor, Ground Defense and Escapes Instructor, In-Custody Death Instructor, Weapon Retention and Disarm Instructor and Edge Weapon Defense Instructor. He is a graduate of the 251st Session of the FBI National Academy.

Adjunct Faculty

Captain David Lee

Captain Lee is a 25-year veteran of the West Virginia State Police where he currently serves as the Director of Training at the West Virginia State Police Academy. He has held numerous positions during his tenure including: Field Trooper, Investigator with the Bureau of Criminal Investigations, Assistant and Master Range Instructor, Academy Staff Officer, Training Staff Supervisor, Assistant Director of Training and Director of Training. He is a graduate of the 231st Session of the FBI National Academy. He honorably served in the United States Army and West Virginia Air National Guard.

Major Joe White

Major Joe White is a 25-year member of the West Virginia State Police. He is currently assigned as Chief of Executive Services. His background as a State Trooper focused on criminal investigation and criminal patrol. He has been assigned to the Logan State Police Detachment both as a Field Trooper and as a Sergeant. He also served three years as a First Sergeant with the Bureau of Criminal Investigations and the West Virginia Intelligence Exchange. Major White also served 10 years as a member of the State Police Special Response Team, serving three years as Team Leader. His most recently served as Director of the Professional Standards Section.

Major White was promoted to First Lieutenant in 2008 and was appointed to Captain in November 2011 by Colonel C. R. “Jay” Smithers.

Major White is a 1992 graduate of Van High School and a 1996 graduate of the West Virginia State Police Academy. He is a graduate from West Virginia State University with a Regents Bachelor of Arts degree and graduated from the 227th Session of the FBI National Academy in 2006. He earned a Master of Science in Strategic Leadership from Mountain State University in 2008.

1/Lt. Kimberly D. Akers

1/Lt. Akers has been a member of the West Virginia State Police for 22 years. 1/Lt. Akers has been assigned to the Bureau of Criminal Investigations as a full time Polygraph Examiners for 10 years. 1/Lt. Akers is licensed as a certified Polygraph Examiner through the State of West Virginia and is also a member of the American Polygraph Association. 1/Lt. Akers has a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice from West Virginia State University as well as an Associate in Applied Science in Police Science from Marshall University. 1/Lt. Akers is also a graduate of the FBI National Academy.

1/Lt. Robert Perry

1/Lt. Perry is a 25-year veteran of the West Virginia State Police and is currently stationed at the Academy. 1/Lt. Perry has been a firearms instructor for 15 years and is currently the Deputy Director of Training. 1/Lt. Perry is a certified armorer for numerous weapon platforms. He is a graduate of the 236th session of the FBI National Academy.

1/Sgt. Jeff Losh

1/Sgt. Losh is a 26-year veteran of the West Virginia State Police and is currently assigned to WVIX. He is the Officer of First Responder and Emergency Vehicle Operations Course. He has attended the BSR for Emergency Response Driver Training Course and received his EVOC instructor certification through OPOTA. He honorably served in the United States Army for six years where he received his medic certification.

1/Sgt. Clint Lantz

1/Sgt. Lantz is a 23-year veteran of the West Virginia State Police. He has served various positions within the Department to include Special Operations as a K-9 Handler working Explosives and Patrol dogs as well as a Detachment Commander and District Commander in the field. He holds a Bachelors Degree in Criminal Justice from West Liberty State College and is also a Graduate of the FBI National Academy in 2014. 1/Sgt. Lantz served in the US military for over 20 years with both the United States Marine Corps and the West Virginia Army National Guard and retired in 2014.

1/Sgt. Terry Mills

1/Sgt. Terry Mills is a 26-year veteran of the West Virginia State Police. 1/Sgt. Mills was previously assigned to the West Virginia State Police Academy as the State Police Crime Scene Response Teams and Crash Reconstruction Teams Coordinator/ Logistics Officer and as a staff officer. 1/Sgt. Mills teaches a wide range of courses to include: Principles of Investigation, Crime Scene Investigation, Death Investigations, Crash Investigation, RADAR/Laser, Traffic Incident Management and Surviving an Active Shooter Training. 1/Sgt. Mills has Associates degrees from both Bluefield State College and Marshall University in Police Science and Law Enforcement.

1/Sgt. Mills served six years as an M.P. in the United States Army Reserve and is a veteran of Operation Desert Shield/Desert Storm.

Training Staff and Instructors

1/Sgt. Jay Powers

1/Sgt. Powers enlisted in the West Virginia State Police in 1995 and stationed at the South Charleston Detachment. He later spent a few years as a Community Liaison Officer until he was transferred to the Office of Public Affairs in 2000.

In 2006, he was transferred to his current position as the Southern Coordinator for the Commission on Drunk Driving Prevention (CDDP). He is also a member of the WVSP Legislative Detail and serves as the WVSP Historian.

He is a Standardized Field Sobriety Test (SFST) and Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) Instructor and regularly train new officers at the WVSP Academy. He also travels throughout the state and assists with the Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE) training. As an instructor, he has had the opportunity to train over a thousand officers from many different states.

He has experience in other specialties such as: crash reconstruction, child safety seat technician, community policing, traffic occupant protection strategies (TOPS), recruiting, suspect identification, school violence and cultural diversity. He served as the officer-in-charge of the WVSP Honor Guard for 16 years.

Sgt. David S. Fry

Sgt. Fry has been a member of the West Virginia State Police since September 29, 2003. He Graduated Valedictorian of the 53rd Cadet Class. During his time in the WVSP he has been stationed as a Field Trooper in Logan, Mingo, Wayne, and Lincoln Counties. He was also stationed at BCI as a Drug Diversion Investigator, and a member of the FBI Violent Crimes and Drug Task Force. Upon attaining the rank of Sergeant he was the Detachment Commander for both the Quincy, and Winfield Detachments. In November 2018 he accepted his current position of Logistics Officer, and Staff Officer at the WVSP Academy.

During the course of his career he has been awarded the Superintendents Award, along with The Medal of Valor, and The Purple Heart from the WVSP. He has also received The West Virginia Troopers Association Achievement Award. He was also awarded The Purple Heart and The Medal of Honor by the West Virginia Chiefs of Police Association. He received the Eric Workman and Marshall Bailey Award of Valor from the WV Narcotics Officers Association. He has also been awarded the Military Order of

the Purple Heart Law Enforcement Citation. Over the course of my career He has also received letters of commendation from four Governors of the State of West Virginia. He was also recognized as an Honorary Kentucky State Trooper by the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Sgt. Jason Garnes

Sgt. Garnes is a 21-year veteran of the West Virginia State Police where he is currently assigned to the Bureau of Criminal Investigations as a Drug Diversion Investigator. As part of his current position he is assigned to the DEA Tactical Diversion Unit. During his tenure with the West Virginia State Police, Cpl. Garnes has had several assignments including the Martinsburg Detachment, WV Turnpike, South Charleston Detachment, and eight years with the Crime Scene Response Team.

Sgt. Shannon Loudin

Sgt. Loudin is first and foremost a husband to an amazing woman, Sabrina and a father to three beautiful Daughters, Emma, Abby and Mya. Shannon was born and raised in Buckhannon, WV where he graduated High School in 1995. Shannon started his own construction company and later began his college career at Fairmont State University in a quest to gain a more secure future for his young family. Shannon began his Career with the West Virginia State Police in 2003. Shannon's first duty post was Elkins. He later was selected to be the Troop 3 Coordinator/ investigator on the Crimes Against Children Unit. During this time he also served on SRT, Troop 3 Search and Rescue Team and as an officer safety and defensive tactics instructor. Shannon has spent the last 6 years of his career as the Troop 3 polygraph examiner.

Sgt. James Mitchell

Sgt. Mitchell has served as a law enforcement officer for 29 years and he currently serves as Wellness Officer and Director of Chaplain Services for the West Virginia State Police. Sgt. Mitchell has served in the United States Department of State Diplomatic Security Division and the Beckley City Police Department. He honorably served in the United States Army as a military police officer. Sgt. Mitchell has devoted 34 years to ministry serving as both associate and senior pastor. He is a graduate of Marshall University and is pursuing a master's degree from Liberty University.

Sgt. Kenneth Murray

Sgt. Kenneth Murray is a 22-year veteran of the West Virginia State Police and is currently stationed at the Paden City Detachment as the assistant Detachment Commander. Sgt. Murray has advanced training in Accident Investigation, Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement, The Reid Technique of Interviewing and Interrogation, Advanced Course on The Reid Interviewing and Interrogation, United States Army Military Police School (USAMPS) Officer Basic Course, USAMPS Captains Career Course, USAMPS SRT Team Training Phase I, USAMPS Antiterrorism Officer Basic Course, Antiterrorism Level II, The Army Instructor Training Course, NIMS ICS 100, 120, 300, 400, and 700, Pro Board Certified in Hazardous Materials Awareness and Operations, USAMPS Law Enforcement Senior Leader Course, Instructor Certified In Adult Mental Health First Aid USA WVSP Instructor Development. Sgt. Murray earned Associates Degree from Marshall University, Bachelor's Degree from West Liberty University, and Master's Degree from Mountain State University. Sgt. Murray is currently an instructor for the West Virginia State Police Leadership Development Course, teaching Police Ethics and Mental Health.

Sgt. Murray served 24 years in the West Virginia Army National Guard, deployments include Operation Noble Eagle and Operation Enduring Freedom. Sgt. Murray retired from the West Virginia Army National Guard as a Major.

Sgt. Andrew M. Pringle

Sgt. Pringle enlisted in the West Virginia State Police on October 26, 1998 and completed the West Virginia State Police Academy on May 07, 1999. He was assigned to the Harrisville Detachment in Ritchie County. While stationed in Ritchie County he was selected to be the Marijuana Eradication Coordinator for the district and received additional training in Accident Investigation and became a Clandestine Lab Technician. He also was an FTO for three new Troopers and assisted in training of two others assigned to Ritchie County.

On April 24, 2010 Sgt. Pringle was involved in an incident in which he was struck by a vehicle while standing on the roadway investigating another incident. The driver of this vehicle was arrested for DUI. He received major injuries from being hit and was in the hospital for nine weeks and was in different therapies for over ten months.

He returned back to work on full duty on May 02, 2011. On March 02, 2012, he was awarded the West Virginia State Police Purple Heart Medal. In March 2012, he was also assigned to the Crimes Against Children Unit where he continues to work and was promoted to the rank of Sergeant in November 2018.

Cpl. Jamie Barker

Cpl. Barker is an 12-year veteran of the West Virginia State Police and is currently assigned to the West Virginia State Police Training Academy. Prior to enlistment with the West Virginia State Police Academy, Cpl. Barker worked for 12 years as a city police officer and deputy sheriff. He is a Use of Force Instructor, ASP Instructor, Oleoresin Capsicum Instructor, Officer Survivability Instructor, Ground Defense and Escape Instructor, In-Custody death Instructor, Weapon Retention and Disarm Instructor, and Edge Weapon Defense Instructor.

Cpl. Josh Eldridge

Cpl. Eldridge is a 14-year veteran of the West Virginia State Police and is currently assigned to the West Virginia State Police Academy. He currently is the instructor for Officer Survival Training, Patrol Concepts, Simulator Training and the Master Firearms Instructor. Cpl. Eldridge has served as a member of the West Virginia State Police Crime Scene Response Team for six years.

Cpl. Rachel Grose

Cpl. Grose has been with the WVSP for ten years and an investigator for Internet Crimes Against Children for four years. Cpl. Grose has been certified in numerous areas of Social Media and Online Investigations throughout her career. Cpl. Grose has investigated numerous offense online ranging from child exploitation to fraudulent schemes. Cpl. Grose has developed knowledge in how to serve legal process to big social media names like Facebook and Amazon as well as obtain information on perpetrators through Open Source Information Technology.

Training Staff and Instructors

Cpl. Nathan Hersman

1999-2001- Deputy at Monroe County Sheriff's Department
Attended 104th Basic Class in 1999.

2001-2004 - Deputy at Greenbrier County Sheriff's Department. Worked as K9 Handler. Shooting incident August 9, 2003. After returning to duty worked as detective until 2004 when hired by WVSP.

2004-Present - Trooper at West Virginia State Police. Attended 54th Cadet Class. Stationed in Pendleton County, Pocahontas County, Greenbrier County, assigned to K9 and member of SRT from 2007 until 2015, assigned to BCI Bluefield in 2014, assigned to BCI Lewisburg from 2015 to present.

Cpl. Eric McFarland

Cpl. crime Eric McFarland started his law enforcement career in 1994 with Sumter County Sheriff's Office, South Carolina where he was assigned to the Patrol Division as a Patrol and Narcotics K9 handler for 8 years. Cpl McFarland then joined the West Virginia State Police in 2003. In 2011, Cpl McFarland was assigned to the Mountaineer Highway Interdiction Team Task Force. He has received extensive specialized training in criminal investigations, illegal drugs and controlled substance identification and investigation techniques and laws regulating controlled substances, laws governing arrest, search and seizure, interview and interrogation, roadside interviews, and Advanced Criminal Interdiction. Cpl McFarland throughout his career has executed and assisted in numerous traffic stops and search warrants, which have netted a total of over \$12,000,000.00 in narcotics, weapons, bulk currency, fraudulent credit cards, counterfeit money and goods, stolen property, the apprehension of escaped convicts and fugitives.

Frank Holcomb (Retired WVSP Corporal)

Frank Holcomb started his career in the West Virginia State Police in 1998. He transferred to Mason County in 2001 after spending 3 years in Cabell County. On May 11 2003, Frank was working a DUI patrol and assisted Mason County Deputies on a Domestic Dispute. Upon arriving at the scene, Frank and the Deputies quickly learned there was no Domestic Dispute, but rather was being set up and ambushed after a

single shot was fired from the woods. The shot fired struck Frank in the leg, which shattered his right femur and caused severe muscle tissue damage. Frank was never cleared by his Doctor to return to the field so he transferred to the Academy where he was the Officer Survivability Training Coordinator and an Assist Firearms Instructor. Frank worked at the Academy for 5 years until his injuries eventually forced him to retire in 2008. Now, Frank spends his days with his beautiful wife and 2 children. He coaches many of his children's sports and enjoys camping and hunting with his family.

Jim Light (Retired WVSP Sgt.)

Sgt. Light has devoted 27 years to law enforcement service. Six years were spent with the United States Department of Interior. In over 19 years with the West Virginia State Police, Sgt. Light has served in several capacities. Currently, he's the Director of the Intelligence Unit and has also been assigned as Crime Scene Team Supervisor, Executive Protection and participated on the Joint Terrorism Task Force. He is also a graduate of the 252nd session of the FBI National Academy.

Robert Mefford (Retired WVSP 1/Sgt.)

1/Sgt. Robert Mefford is a 26-year veteran of the West Virginia State Police. 1/Sgt. Mefford was a 16-year member of Special Operations and was assigned to West Virginia State Police Special Operations as the Director of Special Operations training. 1/Sgt. Mefford has extensive experience as a K9 handler, K9 Trainer, and K9 Administrator. In addition 1/Sgt. Mefford is a handgun, shotgun and patrol rifle instructor as well as a mechanical breaching instructor. 1/Sgt. Mefford is also a chemical agent instructor and explosive breacher. 1/Sgt. Mefford has been a member of the Special Response Team for 12 years and coordinates all training for the teams. 1/Sgt. Mefford has a Bachelor of Arts degree from West Virginia University and an associate's degree in Police Science from Marshall University.

Training Staff and Instructors

Donald Underwood (Retired WVSP 1/Lieutenant)

Lt. Underwood is a retired First Lieutenant of the West Virginia State Police where he served as the Training/Logistics officer at the WVSP Training Academy. Lt. Underwood was the Director of the RADAR Training program. Lt. Underwood is the first Traffic Crash Reconstructionist in the state of West Virginia. Lt. Underwood also developed the Driver Training program plus several other projects during his 17 years at the Training Academy. Lt. Underwood holds a Bachelors Board of Regents Degree from WV State (college) University, a Master of Science in Safety Technology from Marshall University and Doctorate in Jurisprudence from Thomas M. Cooley Law School. Lt. Underwood is presently retired but continues to teach part-time and stills consults in the areas of Driver Training and Traffic Crash Reconstruction.

Lt. Dave Castle

Lt. Castle is a Marshall University graduate with a BA degree in Criminal Justice (1991) and a 29-year veteran of the Huntington Police Department. His first four years were spent as a civilian forensic investigator. He became a sworn police officer in 1994 and worked midnight shift patrol in the Fairfield District for approximately five years. In 1999 he was transferred into the Forensic Investigations Unit as the supervisor.

Lt. Castle is a member of the International Association for Identification. He has over 1,000 hours of instruction in various aspects of crime scene investigation. He is adjunct faculty for the Marshall University Forensic Science Graduate program where he instructs the Advanced Crime Scene and Death Investigation FSC 615 and Bloodstain Pattern Analysis FSC 607 courses. Lt. Castle also instructs Crime Scene Investigation CJ 314-101 in the Marshall University undergraduate Criminal Justice program. He routinely testifies in court as an expert witness in the areas of fingerprint identification, crime scene reconstruction, bullet trajectory analysis, and bloodstain pattern analysis. He has testified as an expert in several WV county Circuit Courts, United States Federal Court, and the Circuit Court of Lawrence County, Ohio. Additionally, he has lectured at numerous conferences on the state and national levels and is a private consultant (Castle Forensic Consulting, LLC) in the areas of latent fingerprints and bloodstain pattern analysis.

Sgt. Steve Compton

Sgt. Compton graduated from Marshall University with a Bachelors Degree in Criminal Justice in 1997. He started his law enforcement career at the Huntington Police Department in 1998. Sgt. Compton's first assignment was in the Patrol Bureau and eventually transferred to the Forensic Investigations Unit which is within the Detective Bureau in 2004. He has had the opportunity to complete over 600 hours of formal training in the areas of crime scene investigation, crime scene reconstruction, death investigation, blood stain pattern analysis, shooting reconstruction and fingerprint comparison techniques. He has provided expert testimony for crime scene related matters in the courts of Cabell County. Sgt. Compton is also a certified law enforcement instructor and adjunct faculty at Marshall University Forensic Science Center and Mountwest Community and Technical College.

Lara D'agostin, CLPE

Ms. D'agostin is employed as a forensic analyst and training coordinator in the Latent Print Section of the West Virginia State Police Forensic Laboratory. She is trained to competency in all facets of the latent print discipline and fingerprint analysis and comparison. Ms. D'agostin has lectured on latent print and fingerprint topics at the West Virginia University Institute of Technology, and previously taught courses at Mountain State University for a total of six years. (Courses: Basics of Fingerprint Science, Advanced Fingerprint Comparisons, Automated Fingerprint Identification Systems, Indoor/Outdoor Crime Scenes, and Introduction to Forensic Science). She has taught at the West Virginia State Police campus for Cadet, Basic, and in-service courses as well as local law enforcement in-service road shows on the topics of latent print development, preservation, and collection. She has been a presenter at the American Academy of Forensic Science's Conference on National Institute of Justice funded research results. She has been published in the Journal of Forensic Identification with regards to research (titled: Forced Condensation of Cyanoacrylate with Temperature Control of the Evidence Surface to Modify Polymer Formation and Improve Fingerprint Detection/ Visualization).

Rachael Hatfield, PsyD

Dr. Rachael Hatfield was born and raised in West Virginia. She earned her Doctor of Psychology degree from Marshall University. For her dissertation, she developed a broad-based mental health training program and examined the effects of the program on law enforcement knowledge, attitudes, and behaviors towards persons exhibiting a mental disturbance. She is a WV Licensed Clinical Psychologist and is employed by the Huntington VA Medical Center. Her primary responsibilities at the VA Medical Center include completing psychological evaluations, providing assessment as well as using de-escalation techniques and crisis intervention skills with patients in the emergency room, and facilitating transfers to psychiatric units and mental hygiene commitments. She has been trained and assigned to complete VAMC police officer candidate evaluations and fitness for duty evaluations.

Dr. Hatfield has partnered with the West Virginia State Police, Putnam County Sheriff's Department, Kanawha County Sheriff's Office, and the WV Public Safety Expo to provide Law Enforcement Mental Health training to law enforcement and other first responders throughout the state. She worked with the WV State Police on a train-the-trainer series and developed an eight-hour training program for the WV State Police 2017 annual in-service program. She is involved in various state and community organizations, ranging from the Kanawha-Charleston Humane Association animal shelter, a local boxing gym, and the Great Rivers Harm Reduction Coalition in WV.

Chief Eric Johnson

Chief Eric Johnson has been with the Yeager Airport Police Department since July 2017. He began his career in law-enforcement with the Charleston Police Department in November 1990 and retired early for his role at Yeager Airport. His last role as a Captain at Charleston P.D. began in December 2016, when he began serving as the Investigative Services Bureau Chief, overseeing the operations of the Criminal Investigation Division (C.I.D.), the Metropolitan Drug Enforcement Network Team (M.D.E.N.T.), and the Special Enforcement Unit (S.E.U.). The four years prior to this assignment was spent as the Commander of M.D.E.N.T. During his career he has served in numerous other capacities, to include the Uniformed Services Bureau Chief, Patrol Shift Commander, Commander of S.E.U., Crash Investigation Reconstruction, the Motorcycle Unit, Field Training Sergeant, Field Training Program Manager, and Patrol District Commander. Some of his part-time police experiences have included assignments on the C.P.D. S.W.A.T. team, P.P.C.T. (pressure point control tactics)

instructor, TASER Instructor, department Firearms Instructor (1993-2017), and Chief Range Officer for Charleston P.D. (2009-2017). He is also a weapon armorer for several firearm platforms.

Eric graduated Ripley High School in 1988 and has an Associate Degree in Criminal Justice from WVU-Parkersburg. He had the privilege of attending the F.B.I. National Academy in Quantico, VA during the summer of 2010, Session #242, with officers from across the nation and around the world; an honor provided to less than one-tenth of one percent of all law-enforcement officers nationwide.

Accolades include the Charleston Police Department Honor and Valor Award - 2006, American Police Hall of Fame Silver Star for Bravery - 2006, American Police Hall of Fame Purple Heart - 2006, W.V. Fraternal Order of Police Member of the Year - 2006, West Virginia Chiefs of Police Medal of Honor – 2007, American Police Hall of Fame 2007 Law Enforcement Officer of the Year, and the 2017 U.S. Attorney's Law Enforcement Officer of the Year award.

Eric has two sons, ages 25 and 24.

Patrolman Seth Johnson

Seth Johnson is a resident of Jackson County, West Virginia. He graduated from Ripley High School in 2012 and started working for the Ripley Police Department in January of 2013. In April of 2015 Seth was hired by the Charleston Police Department where he is currently employed. From there he was placed on D-shift where he spent most of his time working as a west side patrolman. He is now assigned as a detective to the Metropolitan Drug Enforcement Network Team, commonly known as MDENT, as an interdiction officer as well as a canine handler.

Seth humbly received the 2017 Charleston Police Department Jerry A. Jones Officer of the Year Award. During this time he was also awarded the Medal of Valor by the Charleston Police Department for his actions during an officer involved shooting in November of 2017. Since then Seth has been awarded the 2017 American Police Hall of Fame, Officer of the Year Award. Seth is a son, brother and husband. Additionally, he is a third generation police officer as his father, Eric Johnson, is retired from the Charleston Police Department and grandfather, J.C. Johnson, is retired from the West Virginia State Police.

Training Staff and Instructors

Koren Powers

Mrs. Powers is the Section Supervisor of the Trace Evidence Section of the West Virginia State Police Forensic Laboratory in South Charleston, WV. She performs gunshot residue analysis, fire debris analysis, and glass and paint examinations. Mrs. Powers has a Bachelor of Science degree in Biological Science and a Master of Science degree in Forensic Science, both from Marshall University.

Detective (Cpl.) Jeremy M. Thompson

Detective Thompson has seventeen years of law enforcement experience having started his career with the Boone County Sheriff's Department and is currently employed by the South Charleston Police Department, where he is assigned to the detective bureau. Detective Thompson has received training in financial crimes investigation and has worked numerous cases involving cloned and re-encoded credit cards. Detective Thompson has attended courses in criminal interview and interrogation, social media for law enforcement, forensic death investigation, criminal patrol interdiction, and attended the National Computer Forensic Institute as well.



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