

Polk County Sheriff's Office



National Public Safety Cadets

PUBLIC SAFETY CADETS (PSC) IS A NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED ORGANIZATION THAT PARTNERS WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES TO PROVIDE TRAINING AND PRACTICAL EXPERIENCES, AND OTHER SUPPORT THAT WILL BETTER PREPARE YOUNG ADULTS TO MAKE AN INFORMED DECISION ABOUT A CAREER IN THE PUBLIC SAFETY SECTOR.



Membership Information

- Membership is open to young adults interested in a career in Law Enforcement.
- You must be a graduate of the 8th grade and 14 years old; you can stay in the program until your 21st birthday.
- No-cost membership and uniforms provided.
- Silver Chord hours recorded and provided to your School.



Program Highlights

- Exciting monthly training sessions to include; firearms, traffic stops, handcuffing, fingerprinting, tours of various facilities, CPR/First Aid certifications, etc.
- Participate in community outreach events and activities.
- Opportunities to attend national trainings and conferences all over the US.



Job Shadowing

- Ability to job shadow with various Sheriff's Office Divisions up to twice per month.
- Ride-a-long with Patrol, Criminal Investigation Division, K9 Deputies, Animal Control, Jail facility and Communication Specialists.



Application Process

- Request an interest letter and application through Polk County Sheriff's Office Community Relations Division, communityrelations@polkcountyiowa.gov
- Submit your completed application & most recent grade transcripts (must be higher than 2.0 gpa)
- Once your background check has been completed and accepted, a meeting to discuss further program details, uniform and complete required paperwork will be scheduled with you and a parent/guardian if younger than 18.

WELCOME TO THE POLK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE CADET PROGRAM!