



County of Passaic

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ANNOUNCEMENT

School Resource Officer (SRO) Course

School Resource Officer Course is a forty-hour (40) block of instruction designed for law enforcement officers and school safety professionals working in an educational environment and with school administrators. The course provides tools for officers to build positive relationships with both students and staff. The course is also beneficial for educational professionals dedicated to providing a safe learning environment and provides a more in-depth understanding of the role and functions of an SRO.

This course is designed for new school resource officers to provide them with insight and skills for functioning in the educational setting. Officers will learn the basics of functioning as a school-based law enforcement officer, informal counselor, educator, and emergency manager. Officers attending will be exposed to numerous sections on a variety of school-based topics, including Legal Trends, Security for Schools, School Crisis Planning, Education Programs, Crimes & Enforcement, Legal Liabilities, Day to Day Operations and much more.

Topics Include:

- Ethics and the SRO
- Legal liability in the schools
- The SRO as an Informal Counselor/Mentor
- Understanding school violence and victimization
- Threat response
- Preventing violence in school settings
- School safety and emergency operations plans
- Crime prevention through environmental design
- The triad approach of teacher, counselor, and law enforcement officer
- Balancing the responsibilities of enforcement, prevention, and education
- Developing a memorandum of understanding between the schools and law enforcement
- Student de-escalation skills
- Education programs
- Understanding special needs students
- Social media and the school
- Search and seizure in the school

Date(s): August 22 -26, 2022

Time: 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Registration – P.C.P.A. In-service Training Application must be submitted.

Cost: Passaic County & Municipal Agencies – No Cost

Other Law Enforcement Agencies - \$250.00

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