## What is Law Enforcement Exploring?

- → Law Enforcement Exploring is a program of Learning for Life, a division of the Boy Scouts of America and is a worksitebased volunteer program for young adults ages 14-21.
- → Its purpose is to provide opportunities for young adults to explore law enforcement careers and the criminal justice system. Exploring offers experiential learning with lots of fun-filled, hands-on activities that promote character development and citizenship among America's youth.

## **Requirements**

- ✓ Be 14-21 years of age
- ✓ No Criminal Record
- ✓ A GPA of at least 2.0
- Be a responsible citizen with a good reputation and good moral character
- ✓ Able to attend 4 meetings a month and most details with prior notice
- Must be in good health and physical condition
- Must pass a background investigation

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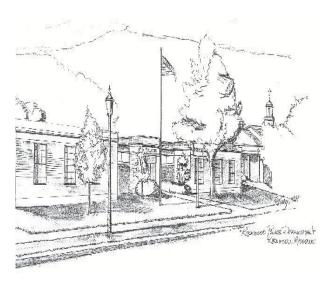
## Kirkwood Police Explorers

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## **Explorer Post #9131**



## **Explorers Receive Training In:**

- Radio Communications
- Traffic Control
- Officer and Weapons Safety
- Report Writing
- Defensive Tactics
- Arrest and Search Techniques
- Traffic Stop Procedures
- Shoot & Don't Shoot Scenarios
- Community Relations
- Role Play Scenarios
- And Much More



## **Explorers Participate In:**

- Ride-Alongs With Police Officers
- Sit-Ins with Dispatch
- Annual Pancake Supper
- 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration
- Rail Safety Day
- Greentree Festival
- Hot Dog Dayz of Summer
- Other Community Events



## National Law Enforcement Explorer Conference

This biennial event provides an opportunity for Law Enforcement Explorer posts to participate in a hands-on competition involving simulations, demonstrations by law enforcement agencies, national organizations, along with youth officer and adult training and recreational opportunities.



**Greater St. Louis Area Law Enforcement Explorer Academy** 

In addition to post activities, explorers have the opportunity to participate in a week long summer academy where they learn police procedure and activities through interaction with officers and explorers from other departments.

### **BENEFITS TO YOUTH**

- Exposure to Law Enforcement
- Hands-on experience in the criminal justice system
- Relating to others sharing the same interests
- Discover career requirements, education, training and benefits
- Awareness of law enforcement and citizenship
- Learn self-discipline and patience, selfesteem
- Encouragement to make the most of the educational opportunities
- Develop strong friendships with youth in program
- Scholarship opportunities

