



# Antioch Police Department Citizen's Academy

## What is a Citizen's Law Enforcement Academy?

*The Citizen's Academy provides an opportunity for community members to meet the police officers who protect and serve our city. The intent of the Citizen's Academy is to educate the community on the duties, training, investigation techniques and situations police officers and other members of the Police Department may encounter. Those who attend the academy will be given the opportunity to participate in some of the activities police officers perform as part of their every day duties. Hands-on experiences include fingerprinting, defensive tactics, interacting with a K-9 and handler, and riding along with an officer. Join us for a unique learning experience. The Antioch Police Department Citizen's Academy affords; "Knowledge through Exposure and Experience."*

### QUALIFICATIONS

- *Minimum age of 18 years old*
- *Resident of Antioch*
- *No felony convictions*
- *No misdemeanor convictions within 1 year of applying*
- *Must commit to attend all 10 sessions*

### SPECIFICS

- *Applications will be accepted January 25th – February 22nd.*
- *Class space is limited to 20 students.*
- *Classes start March 16<sup>th</sup> 2016.*
- *Classes are Wednesday Evenings and 2 Saturdays.*



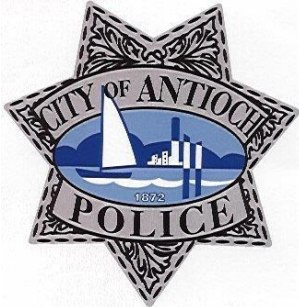
*I am proud and excited to offer the citizen's of Antioch the opportunity to participate in our very first Citizen's Academy!*

*Sincerely,*

*Chief Allan Cantando*



Please mail, email, or deliver your completed application to Lieutenant Desmond Bittner  
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## ANTIOCH POLICE DEPARTMENT

# *Citizen's Academy*

## Application Form

Complete EVERY question unless stated as "optional"  
 (Otherwise, your application may be returned as incomplete)

### APPLICANT IDENTIFYING INFORMATION (Please print or type)

NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)		DATE	
ADDRESS		CITY	ZIP CODE
TELEPHONE ( ) -	MOBILE PHONE (Optional/If Available) ( ) -	EMAIL ADDRESS (If available)	
SEX (circle) Female Male	BIRTHDATE ( ) ( ) - ( ) Month Date Year	ANY SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS	DRIVER'S LICENSE OR CAL ID #
OCCUPATION	NAME OF EMPLOYER /SCHOOL	BUSINESS PHONE (Optional)	
HOW LONG HAVE YOU LIVED IN ANTIOCH? _____ years _____ month			

### HAVE YOU PREVIOUSLY PARTICIPATED IN OTHER TYPES OF CITIZEN'S ACADEMIES?

Please include all other Citizens Academy or similar types of academies you have attended, including the name of the Academy and the year you participated in the Academy.

Feel free to type your answers and attach your answers to the application.

NAME OF ACADEMY: \_\_\_\_\_

YEAR PARTICIPATED: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF ACADEMY: \_\_\_\_\_

YEAR PARTICIPATED: \_\_\_\_\_

**DO YOU HAVE ANY PAST ARRESTS, CONVICTIONS, OR PENDING COURT CASES? (Include all misdemeanors and felonies. You do not have to include infractions – example, traffic ticket.)**                      **Yes**                      **No**

**A. If you answered “yes,” please list below the DATE, AGENCY, CHARGE, AND DISPOSITION. Attach additional sheets if necessary.**

DATE: _____	AGENCY: _____	CHARGE: _____
DISPOSITION: _____		

## **CLASS ATTENDANCE**

The Citizen’s Academy is an accelerated program with a full agenda each class session. Missing more than two classes will result in a significant gap in the education process of the academy. I understand that participants absent **more than two days** will not receive a certificate of graduation.

### **ANTIOCH POLICE CITIZEN ACADEMY CODE OF CONDUCT**

1. There will be no use of any tobacco products.
2. Breaks will be limited to a maximum of fifteen (15) minutes and students are required to be in designated places when class resumes.
3. Students are required to follow the instructions given by a classroom instructor or academy staff.
4. Students are required to participate in all classroom/lab assignments and will not be excused from any activity without permission of the academy coordinators.
5. Students are required to obey all signs and orders of the academy staff. Entrance into restricted areas without consent of the instructor is forbidden and may be cause for termination from the citizen’s academy at the discretion of the Chief of Police.
6. Should a student become injured during the academy he/she must report the incident to the instructor or academy staff immediately.
7. Possession or use of alcohol or other drugs are prohibited.
8. Students should avoid obscene, vulgar, offensive or profane language at all times.
9. Students should conduct themselves in a professional manner at all times.

### **STUDENT BEHAVIORAL CONTRACT**

The purpose of this contract is to inform the above named student that he/she must comply with all provisions of the Law Enforcement Citizen Academy and to the specific terms set forth in this contract. The student understands that due to the nature of this academy there will be a zero tolerance rule in effect. Undesirable conduct such as horseplay or a violation of the student conduct code will result in the immediate removal of the student from the academy. This contract is in effect for the safety of all students and instructors. This contract represents an agreement by the student that he/she received a copy of the Code of Conduct and the student agrees to adhere to this Code of Conduct at all times while enrolled in the Antioch Police Citizen Academy.

## DRESS CODE

The academy has been developed to give each student the best possible learning experience. Therefore, it is necessary that dress and personal hygiene be developed and followed by each of the class members.

1. Students must present themselves in a neat and well-groomed manner.
2. No hats/caps, tank tops, open toe shoes, or shorts shall be worn in class. Students should dress business casual.
3. With the exception of Class 6 (Weaponless Defense) no athletic wear (sweat pants) should be worn unless otherwise authorized by department or citizen's academy staff.

## ASSUMPTION OF RISK, RELEASE, AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY.

1. I am aware that the activities of the Citizen's Academy and the duties of the police department are inherently dangerous; involve risk of bodily injury, death, or damage or loss to property. Risks include those from weather if we are outside touring or walking, vehicular travel, surface and equipment conditions, interference from nearby activities, bodily contact with instructors or their equipment and the unpredictable dangers involved in these activities. Knowing all these risks, I am voluntarily participating in these duties with knowledge of the danger involved, and hereby agree to assume any and all risks of bodily injury, death, and damage or loss to property as a result of participating in this activity. \_\_\_\_\_ (Please initial)
2. If I observe any unusual or significant hazard, I will bring it to the attention of the instructor(s), or other department staff and remove myself from participation if necessary. \_\_\_\_\_ (Please initial)
3. In consideration of my participation in this event, I voluntarily release and discharge the City of Antioch (its officers, employees, volunteers, and agents), from any and all claims, liability, cost and expense, including attorney's fees, arising out of or connected to my participation in this Citizens Academy. This waiver and release is applicable even through that liability may arise out of negligence or carelessness on the part of the released persons or entities mentioned above. It is further agreed that this Waiver and Release is binding on my heirs, dependants, executors, administrators, and assigns. \_\_\_\_\_ (Please initial)
4. In the event of an emergency, I consent and authorize medical treatment deemed necessary for my immediate care and agree that I will be responsible for payment of any and all medical services rendered. If I am injured while participating in the event, I agree to report it to the instructor(s) or staff immediately. \_\_\_\_\_ (Please initial)
5. I agree to abide by all instructions set forth by the City of Antioch staff. I understand that I am required to wear and/or use all safety equipment and follow safe work practices as designated by the instructor(s) or other department staff. \_\_\_\_\_ (Please initial)
6. I will allow my image and/or voice to be used in published materials, web sites, presentations for radio or television that promote the event and will not receive compensation for use of these photographs, films, or recordings. \_\_\_\_\_ (Please initial)

## **BACKGROUND AUTHORIZATION**

I understand that a criminal background and warrant check will be conducted by the Antioch Police Department as part of the application process. I hereby authorize any law enforcement agency to release to the Antioch Police Department any and all information, which said agencies have about me, for the limited purpose of aiding the Antioch Police Department in evaluating my eligibility for participation in the *Citizen's Academy*. This authorization extends to any information which said agencies or any of them may have about me, whether public, personal, or confidential. I understand that I will not receive and am not entitled to know the contents of confidential reports received from these agencies.

I hereby release, discharge, and agree to hold harmless the agencies, their agents and any person furnishing information from any and all liability arising out of furnishing and inspecting such documents and information.

**I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS AGREEMENT, AND I UNDERSTAND ITS CONTENTS. I AM AWARE THAT THIS IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND A CONTRACT BETWEEN MY SELF AND THE CITY, AND I SIGN IT OF MY OWN FREE WILL.**

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SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

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DATE



