

# DUNWOODY POLICE EXPLORERS



# Post Advisor

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# WHAT IS EXPLORING?

Law Enforcement Exploring is a worksite-based program for young men and women who have completed the eighth grade and are 14 years of age, or are 15 years of age but have not yet reached their 21st birthday.

Law Enforcement Explorer posts help youth to gain insight into a variety of programs that offer hands-on career activities. For young men and women who are interested in careers in the field of law enforcement, Exploring offers experiential learning with lots of fun-filled, hands-on activities that promote the growth and development of adolescent youth.

# Exploring's 5 Areas of Emphasis

## #1. Career Opportunities

- Developing potential contacts that may broaden employment options
- Boosting self-confidence and experiencing success at school and work

## #2. Leadership Experience

- Developing leadership skills to fulfill our responsibilities in society
- Providing exposure to different leadership traits



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## #3. Character Education

- Helping make ethical choices
- Fulfilling one's responsibility to society as a whole

## #4. Citizenship

- Encouraging the skill and desire to help others
  - Gaining a keen respect for the basic rights of others
- Character Education**



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## #5. Life Skills

- Developing physical and mental fitness
- Experiencing positive social interaction



# Youth Benefits

- Stimulated interest in continual education
- Career information; insight into future vocation
- Positive alternative to negative youth activities, such as drug abuse and involvement with gangs
- Sense of acceptance and belonging to the “right” group
- Safe environment for adult-like activities



# Youth Benefits

- Opportunities to participate in practical, real, and meaningful hands-on experiences
- New career and personal skills
- Opportunities to try leadership roles and develop skills
- Cooperative relationship between adults and youth
- Service to others





# Explorer Requirements

Those wishing to join the Dunwoody Police Explorers must:

Have and maintain a 2.0 GPA

Complete a criminal history check

Complete an oral interview

Complete a background check



# What do Explorers do?

- Weekly meetings  
(Thursdays from 6pm to 8:30pm)
- Training  
(Weekly Training & Annual Training Conference)
- Competitions  
(State Championship, Atlanta Championship,  
National Conference)
- Community events  
(4<sup>th</sup> of July, Lemonade Days, Israel Day, etc)



# Scholarship Opportunities

- ATF Special Agents' Law Enforcement Explorer \$1,000 Scholarship (one awarded)
- Capt. James T. Regan Memorial Law Enforcement Explorer \$500 Scholarship (two awarded)
- DEA Drug Abuse Prevention Service Award, \$1,000 Recognition
- National Young American Award \$7,500 Grant
- Sheryl A. Horak Memorial Law Enforcement Explorer \$1,000 Scholarship
- U.S. Federal Investigators Law Enforcement Explorer \$500 Scholarship