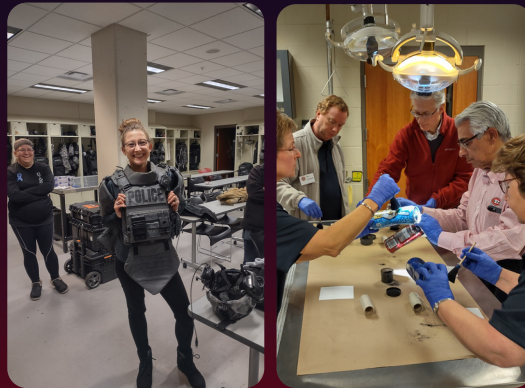


## Program Outline

The Metro Citizens Police Academy is a course offered to citizens and members of local civic and governmental organizations. Participants are given the opportunity to experience first-hand many areas relevant to policing, especially critical issues relevant to the profession. The classes offered closely parallel the training curriculum that police officer candidates experience. It is imperative that participants understand that the MCPA is solely informative and in no way trains or promotes citizens to act in a law enforcement capacity. In light of recent events involving law enforcement nationwide, local departments are seeking a diverse group of applicants who have specific interest in police procedures involving use and application of force, law enforcement training, arrest procedures and general police practices. The course provides an in-depth look at these areas knowing that many of these topics have come under scrutiny and have been topics of social debate. The course is designed to openly discuss these issues while interactively examining the training, equipment and circumstances that our local officers are experiencing. Participants who complete the training courses in its entirety are presented a certification of completion from the Chief of Police at the last training session.

## Keep in Touch! MCPA Alumni

The Academy makes such an impact on people that former graduates of the Academy have taken it upon themselves to create an Alumni group. Their purpose is to bridge the gap between police officers and the community by helping with projects and events that involve the local police departments. They create awareness and fundraising for worthy causes. This is another reflection of the community and the police working together to strengthen our community!



## More Information

Contact the  
Crime Prevention Specialist Mandy Hagstrom  
at 320-345-4182 or visit  
<https://www.ci.stcloud.mn.us/851/Metro-Citizens-Police-Academy>

# Metro CITIZEN'S POLICE ACADEMY

Register Today!



## Goal & Mission

The goal and mission of the Metro Citizen's Police Academy (MCPA) is to assist the community in better understanding police training, procedures and philosophy through classroom and hands-on training conducted by area police officers. Training involves a variety of topics such as laws, ethics, investigations, firearms, emergency driving and much more.

## Training Curriculum

You'll learn a lot about:

- Community Policing & Ethics
- Basic Constitutional Law
- Criminal Law, Traffic, Local Ordinances
- Interpersonal Skills
- Human Diversity
- Domestic Crisis Intervention
- Defensive Tactics – Use of Force
- Patrol Procedures
- Firearms
- Vehicle Stops & Vehicle Operations
- Crime Scene
- Specialized Units
- Training Scenarios
- Current Issues

## Dates

✓ **Thursday Evenings**  
6 p.m. - 9 p.m.

✓ **Runs 10 Consecutive Weeks**  
September 5, 2024 -  
November 14, 2024

**NOTE: There will not be a class on Halloween**

## Locations

✓ **Multiple Agencies**  
The first night will be at the St. Cloud Police Department. Each week may be at a different agency, your schedule will inform you where to meet each week.

## Registration



Requirements to participate in the program:

- Applicant must be 21 years of age
- Applicant must not have a criminal record. A records clearance check will be completed prior to acceptance into the program
- Applicant must reside within the cities of St. Cloud, St. Joseph, Sartell, Sauk Rapids, Waite Park and Stearns County

*"I love, love, love this academy! I'm sad it's over! This is a great program!" - 2021 MCPA Participant*

REQUIREMENTS

