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The Barnstable Police Department Announces the Start Date for the 28th Session of the Citizens Police Academy

The Barnstable Police Department is pleased to announce that the 28th session of the Citizens Police Academy will commence on September 28, 2015. There are still several openings for citizens of the town of Barnstable that are interested in attending. The Citizens Police Academy (CPA) is a unique program which allows citizens from our community to come into the police station and see how we work and who we are. Students not only hear and learn about how we are trained and work, but they also get to see us in action. Through the ride-a-long stage, participants are able to ride with an officer for part of their shift and see how we put all of our training and experience together to serve the town of Barnstable.

Over the years the past sessions have enjoyed every aspect of the academy from instructional classes and demonstrations to hands on participation. Some highlights include the introduction to the BPD, department operations, law, patrol tactics, OUI enforcement, SWAT, drugs, domestic violence and many other subjects. Students will learn about our detective and narcotic units, how police canines are utilized and will meet with members of our many specialty units. CPA participants will have the opportunity to meet and talk with many of the patrol officers as well as the command staff. All of the classes are taught by members of the Barnstable Police Department. The academy consists of fourteen sessions that meet weekly for approximately three hours on Monday nights. Along with the classroom meetings there will be an opportunity to take a tour of the Barnstable County House of Corrections.

Any interested persons may visit the website: <http://barnstablepolice.com/citizens-police-academy.html>. On the website you can print an application and learn more about the academy. All applications should be completed and submitted to Sgt. Mark Cabral as soon as possible. The class will fill up as it is over half full prior to this release.

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