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The El Paso County Sheriff's Office is now accepting applications for the 2021 Citizens Academy.

The Sheriff's Office Citizens Academy will begin on Thursday, September 9, 2021. This Academy consists of one night per week classes culminating in a graduation on Wednesday November 10, 2021.

The Academy offers citizens a broad overview and unique insight into the various functions of the Sheriff's Office. Participants will learn about topics such as use of force, illegal marijuana, targeted traffic enforcement, emergency services (which includes our Wildland Fire and Search & Rescue teams), SWAT (Tactical Support Unit), and civil process. Students will understand the intricacies of a criminal investigation as detectives take them through the investigative process. A tour of the El Paso County Courthouse and a tour of the El Paso County Jail will be conducted to demonstrate the challenges facing our staff.

Those interested in attending the Citizens Academy must complete the two page application (attached). Completed applications must be returned to our Volunteer Coordinator Laurie Thomas, scan and email to LaurieThomas@elpasoco.com or mail or drop-off at 27 E. Vermijo Avenue Colorado Springs, CO 80903.

There is no charge to attend the Citizens' Academy; however, seating is limited to the first forty completed applications received. Applications must be returned no later than 5:00 PM on Friday, August 20, 2021.

If you have any questions please contact our Public Information Officer, Lieutenant Deborah Mynatt, at 719-520-7141 or you can email her, DeborahMynatt@elpasoco.com.

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