



TOWNSHIP OF

*Hampton*

*Chief of Police*  
Thomas J. Vulakovich

The Hampton Township Police Department is offering a program to qualified citizens – the third annual Hampton Township Citizens Police Academy. The program is designed to give the average citizen a better understanding of the criminal justice system, in particular, the role police officers play in the community. Throughout the academy, students are presented with information on several key law enforcement topics. Such topics may include police academy training, crime and vehicle codes, narcotics investigations, the role of the court system, use of force issues, evidence collection, and much more.

The Academy is free and will be held every Thursday from April 2, 2020 through May 28, 2020. The classes will be held each Thursday from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Hampton Township Community Center, 3101 McCully Road, Allison Park, PA 15101.

Applications can be picked up at the Hampton Township Police Department at 3101 McCully Road, beginning January 2, 2020. You can also download, print and complete the attached application or complete the application online. To be considered for the academy, please complete and return the application no later than February 28, 2020. All participants will be contacted via phone or e-mail with additional information, if selected. Please join us for a unique, behind the scenes experience into the world of law enforcement.

Potential students must be 18 years of age or older and never been convicted of a felony in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or elsewhere.

All questions should be directed to Officer Chris Finnigan at 412-486-0400, Ext. 1387 or at [chris.finnigan@hampton-pa.org](mailto:chris.finnigan@hampton-pa.org).

**Hampton Township Citizens Police Academy**

FULL NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE (home): \_\_\_\_\_ (cell): \_\_\_\_\_ (work) \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_ OCCUPATION: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT INFO (in case of emergency): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

HAVE YOU EVER HAD CONTACT WITH THE HAMPTON POLICE DEPARTMENT OR ANY OF ITS MEMBERS, IF SO WHY. YES or NO

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BRIEFLY EXPLAIN HOW YOU HEARD ABOUT THE CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY AND WHAT YOU EXPECT TO LEARN AT THE ACADEMY: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Hampton Township Citizens Police Academy**

***Release of Liability***

Now therefore, in consideration of Hampton Township allowing me to participate in the Citizens Police Academy and in consideration of Hampton Township permitting me use of its authorized facilities, the validity, sufficiency, and receipt of which consideration is acknowledged, I do hereby, for myself, my heirs, executors, and administrators, remise, release and forever discharge Hampton Township, its employees, officers, council members, representatives, affiliated, and agents, acting officially or otherwise (hereinafter Hampton Township) from any and all claims, actions, demands, or causes of action, on account of my death or an account of any personal injury occurs through the negligence, misfeasance or malfeasance, on the part of Hampton Township, or whether said harm or damage occurs through acts of person not employed by Hampton Township.

I ACKNOWLEDGE that I am aware that participating in the Citizens Police Academy can be dangerous and may result in property damage or bodily injury. I ASSUME THE RISK of all injuries that may occur as a result of my being permitted to participate in the Citizens Police Academy.

I hereby ACKNOWLEDGE that my participation in the Citizens Police Academy is strictly voluntary on my part, is solely for my personal benefit, and in no way is related to any employment I may have/had with Hampton Township.

I AGREE to abide by all instructions given to me while participating in the Citizens Police Academy and I ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY for my failure to abide by such instructions.

I HEREBY AGREE TO INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS HAMPTON TOWNSHIP from and against any manner connected with my being permitted to participate in the Citizens Police Academy. I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THIS AGREEMENT AND BY SIGNING IT, I VOLUNTARILY INTEND TO RELEASE AND INDEMNIFY HAMPTON TOWNSHIP, PA, FROM ANY LIABILITY FOR PERSONAL INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGES THAT RESULTS FROM MY PARTICPATION IN THE CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Soc. Sec. # (last four only): \_\_\_\_\_

Witness: \_\_\_\_\_

## Hampton Township Citizens Police Academy

The Hampton Township Police Department is offering the third annual Citizens Police Academy to township residents. The program is designed to give the average citizen a better understanding of the criminal justice system, in particular, the role police officers play in the community.

The Hampton Citizens Police Academy (HCPA) will be held every Wednesday from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. from April 2, 2020 through May 28, 2020.

Throughout the academy, students are presented information on several key law enforcement topics. Such topics may include police academy training, narcotics investigations, the role of the court system, use of force issues, evidence collection, and much more. Upon completion of the academy, students will also have an opportunity to participate in a ride-along program with police officers during his or her shift.

The Hampton Citizens Police Academy is presented by Hampton Township Police Chief Thomas Vulakovich and program coordinator Officer Chris Finnigan.

### ***Topics include:***

- Allegheny County 911 Center
- Patrol and Criminal Procedure  
Use of force/ SRT
- Court system
- Forensics
- Pennsylvania State Police Role, Function and Programs
- City of Pittsburgh Police Department  
K-9 Unit
- Drugs and Opioids

### ***Agencies presenting include:***

- Hampton Police
- Allegheny County 911
- Allegheny County Sheriff's Department
- Point Park University
- Pennsylvania State Police
- City of Pittsburgh Police Department  
K-9 Unit

There are some general requirements to be eligible to participate in the HCPA, but the academy is free of charge to residents who are selected. Potential students must be 18 years of age or older, never been convicted of a felony in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or elsewhere, and reside in Hampton Township.

An application must be obtained and filled out to be considered. Applications are available at the Hampton Police Department, 3101 McCully Road. The academy begins April 4, 2020, but **applications must be completed and turned into the police department no later than February 28, 2020, to be considered.**

The HCPA is conducted for informative and education purposes only. It does not qualify participants to become police officers under the training requirements set forth by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Municipal Police Officer's Education and Training Commission (MPOETC).

For more information or to have questions answered, please contact program coordinator Officer Chris Finnigan at 412-486-0400, Ext. 1387 or at [chris.finnigan@hampton-pa.org](mailto:chris.finnigan@hampton-pa.org).