



## Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office Law Enforcement Explorer Program



The Sheriff is dedicated to the education of young adults in regard to law enforcement awareness and community service. This education includes an exposure to state and local laws, the operations of each component within the LPSO, officer safety tactics, crime prevention measures, criminal apprehension, positive community interactions, and more. Employees of the LPSO volunteer and interact with Explorers as mentors and educate them through shadowing programs as well as training curriculums.

### Qualifications

**Age:** Law Enforcement Exploring is open according to the following age restrictions:

- 14 years old and graduated from the 8<sup>th</sup> grade
- 15 years old regardless of grade level
- Must have not obtained 18 years of age or graduated from high school/GED program (whichever is later).

**Physical Requirements:** Must be in good health and able to participate in activities safely. Every effort will be taken to ensure reasonable accommodations if available. The LPSO does not discriminate against anyone based on race, religion, color, gender identity, national origin, citizen status, ancestry, sexual orientation, marital status, political affiliation, or disability.

**Residency:** Must live within Lafayette Parish

**Academic Standing:** Must have and maintain a minimum of a 2.0 cumulative grade point average (GPA) in high school or GED program while participating in the Explorer Post.

**Letter of Recommendation:** Applicants must obtain a letter of recommendation from a non-relative familiar with the applicant's behavior and work ethic. Examples include teachers, counselors, clergy, or current school resource officer.

### Explorer Requirements

- Attend a minimum 65% of scheduled training events/Explorer meetings, as evaluated quarterly
- Participate a minimum of 50% of assignments/activities, as evaluated bi-annually
- Must conform with the LPSO Explorer's Post rules and regulations.

### Next Steps

- Upon completion of this application, submit via email to [lpso\\_explorer@lafayettesheriff.com](mailto:lpso_explorer@lafayettesheriff.com) along with the letter of recommendation.
- Selected applicants will be contact with an invitation to attend an explorer Open House.
- For additional information, contact Staff Sergeant Marshall Menard at 337-236-3958 (Ext. 1814) or email [lpso\\_explorer@lafayettesheriff.com](mailto:lpso_explorer@lafayettesheriff.com)

## Explorer Program Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Height: \_\_\_\_\_ Hair: \_\_\_\_\_ Eye Color: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Current Age: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian: *(Fill out all applicable)*

Mother: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Father: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

With whom do you reside: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a valid Louisiana driver license? If so, license number: \_\_\_\_\_

List all traffic violations you have received:

If you have been detained by law enforcement for any reason?  Yes  No

If yes, give date, time, and reason:

List all clubs and organizations you are presently a member of:

List all employers, including dates, company names and supervisors:

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Dates Employed: from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

2. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Dates Employed: from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

List two references (other than relatives)

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Questions:

1. Why do you want to become an explorer?

2. Where do you see yourself in the next ten years?

3. Do you know anyone in law enforcement?  Yes  No

If yes, who, and how have they influenced you

4. Have you ever used drugs?  Yes  No

If "yes", what and when:

5. Have you ever been suspended from school?  Yes  No

If "yes", when and why:

*The above information is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand this is only an application for entrance into the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office Explorer program and not a letter of appointment. I further consent and authorize the sheriff's office to conduct a background check, including but not limited to, a juvenile and criminal history records check. Any intentional false information shall result in immediate termination or dismissal from the program. I further consent to allow the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office to use digital photographs of participants in social media posts or news releases. This consent may be withdrawn at any time by written notification.*

\*if applicant is under 18 years of age a parent's signature is required below.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_