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EXPLORER PROGRAM



The Yuma County Sheriff's Office Explorer Program is designed to provide young men and women who may be interested in a career in law enforcement with a comprehensive program of training, competition, service and practical experiences.

The YCSO Explorer Program is part of a national Learning for Life program, which is affiliated with the Scouts of America. The YCSO Explorer Post 8066 is headed by Advisors who volunteer their time to the program. These officers and civilian employees train and educate Explorers in a number of law enforcement subjects and YCSO operations.

Requirements for Membership

Any male or female young adult, between the ages 14 (and completed the 8th grade) through 20 years, who meet the program qualifications may apply.

Explorer candidates must:

- Be enrolled in a formal educational program or have a high school diploma or GED.
- Maintain a "C" average (70%) or higher.
- Be a U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident alien residing full-time in the United States.

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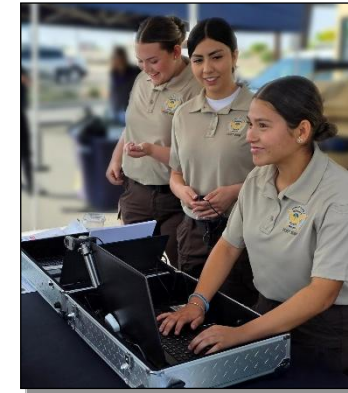
- Not have any felony convictions or other serious criminal convictions.
- Not be involved with gangs, drugs, or illegal activity.
- Be of good moral character.
- Have a strong sense of commitment and discipline.
- Pass a background investigation.
- Be able to attend Explorer meetings.
- Be willing to volunteer their time to attend Explorer functions.
- Be willing to commit to the Explorer Code and exemplify the professional image of the Yuma County Sheriff's Office.

Scope of Activities

Explorers will have an opportunity to participate in minimal risk law enforcement and related activities such as:

- Child Identification fingerprinting.
- Ride-along with Deputies as civilian observers.
- Telecommunications/Dispatch Center assistance.
- Administrative assistance to the Sheriff's Office.
- Traffic control and/or parking details for parades and other community events.
- Color Guard details for community events.
- Explorer Academy.
- Community service projects throughout Yuma County.

Awards are given to Explorers who demonstrate and achieve high standings among their peers.



Application Process

All applicants will go through a screening process including, but not limited to, an oral board review by Explorer Post Advisors.

As a prerequisite for joining the Explorer Program, the following must be met:

- A hold harmless and release form for the Yuma County Sheriff's Office must be executed by the parents/legal guardian and/or the Explorer if of legal age to sign such a form.
- All Explorers must have medical insurance coverage.

Meetings

The YCSO Explorer Post 8066 meets every other Monday at 6:00 p.m. (excluding holidays) at the Yuma County Sheriff's Office. During the weekly meetings, Explorers receive training and discuss upcoming activities, special events and details. Parents are encouraged to attend the first two meetings and discuss any questions they might have.