



# Marion Police Department

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The Citizens' Police Academy program is designed to provide citizens with firsthand information on how the police department operates. The academy does this by giving citizens the opportunity of hands on experience in law enforcement. A lot of times people ask "why we do things the way we do" and the academy gives us the opportunity to answer these questions.

This will be the 2nd annual Citizens' Police Academy that the Marion Police Department has hosted. It's an eight week program that meets on every Thursday night starting March 1<sup>st</sup> and runs through April 19<sup>th</sup>. There are a wide range of topics covered in the program and some of the topics are: Patrol Operations, Crime Prevention/Community watch, 911 Communications, Traffic Enforcement, Criminal Investigations, Narcotics, Defensive Driving and Firearms.

Interested applicants can contact the Marion Police Department (in person or by Phone). A police department employee will provide each interested person with further information regarding the Citizen Police Academy and an application to fill out. Applications are also available on the Marion Police Department's website [www.marionpd.org](http://www.marionpd.org).

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