



News Release

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The Hanover County Sheriff's Office will again be hosting a Senior Citizens' Police Academy this spring.

This academy is designed to give participants an inside look into law enforcement with the Hanover County Sheriff's Office. The training will consist of a variety of law enforcement topics, which will give seniors a better understanding of how and why the members of the Sheriff's Office do what they do. The goal of the academy is to develop productive relationships with the seniors in our community and for the seniors to develop a better understanding of law enforcement.

The program will be available to seniors that are residents, business owners, and county employees that are 55 or older. It is free of charge. Applicants must also be willing to submit to a background check.

The Senior Citizens' Police Academy will take place April 16, 2009, through June 25, 2009. The academy will meet every Thursday between the hours of 9 a.m. and 12 p.m. There will be no cost for the participants. Class size will be limited to 45 seniors, and the classes will be conducted at the Montpelier Community Center.

Interested seniors are urged to download an application at (the application needs to be notarized) <http://www.co.hanover.va.us/sheriff/cominvol.htm#SPCA> or contact Deputy Jim McLaughlin at (804) 365-6335 for an application or additional information. The deadline to apply is **April 3, 2009**.