ACADEMY OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY

ACADEMY ADMISSIONS OFFICE: 732.473.3122
The mission of the Academy of Law and Public Safety is to provide a rigorous college-prep, theme-based curriculum in conjunction with community and higher education partnerships. Ocean County students acquire knowledge, skills and professional ethics while utilizing the latest technology related to criminal justice.

BACKGROUND
The Academy of Law & Public Safety (ALPS) is one of the career academies administered by the Ocean County Vocational Technical School District. The shared-time Law & Public Safety program was established in 2001, offering a unique and comprehensive foundation of skills for Ocean County students interested in pursuing a career in public safety. The 2015-16 school year launched the Academy of Law & Public Safety as a full-time rigorous, college-preparatory educational program for high school juniors and seniors, providing a challenging, hands-on learning experience for college-bound and career-oriented students. As of September 2018 ALPS is now a full-time, four-year high school academy.

The academy is located in Waretown, New Jersey. The Ocean County Vocational Technical School District is responsible for recruitment, admissions, and the instructional program. The Academy of Law & Public Safety selects its students from applicants found within the public and private high schools of Ocean County.

ACCORDING TO RECORDS SINCE 2008:
357 students graduated from the program
307 (86%) have gone on to college
34 (10%) have gone on to military
16 (4%) have gone directly to work

Law & Public Safety graduates have been hired and/or are currently employed with over 30 New Jersey Police Departments, as well as New Jersey Departments of Correction, the Ocean County Sheriff’s Office, the Ocean County Prosecutor’s Office, the New Jersey Administrative Office of the Courts and the New York State Police.
1. Complete the required application. Bring the application to your school so that the school portion can be completed and signed by a school official. Support materials MUST be included: grade transcript, attendance, etc.

2. **Application deadline is December 11.** Your application must be postmarked by this date. A completed application should be sent from your school to:
   OCVTS Career Academy Admissions
   131 Bey Lea Road
   Toms River, NJ 08753

3. Take the admissions test on **January 25, 2020**.

**Acceptance Criteria**
Applicants will be ranked using the following criteria:

A) Academic grades and attendance
   Previous year and current year (first/second marking periods)

B) Admissions Exam
Frequently Asked Questions

Q. What must be included in my application?
A. The application must be completely filled out and signed by a parent/guardian and a school official. Grade transcripts compiled from the previous grade and first/second marking period of current year, and attendance reports must be included. The postmarked deadline for applications will be December 11.

Q. What happens after my application is submitted?
A. Every applicant who submits a completed application will receive information, by mail, about the date of entrance exam, directions to the testing facility and special information in case of a weather-related postponement of exam.

Q. How competitive is the admissions process, and what are the minimum requirements?
A. In general there will be more applicants than available space. OCVTS assigns scores to all applicants based on academic records, attendance and performance on the entrance exam.

Q. What is on the entrance exam?
A. The exam contains two sections: mathematics and language arts literacy. Questions are multiple choice.

Q. What if I am sick and miss the exam?
A. A make-up date will be available for the exam, based on the circumstances of the individual.

Q. How and when will I be notified of acceptance?
A. All applicants who have completed the admissions process will be notified by mail whether they have been accepted or not.

Q. What happens if I am not accepted?
A. If you are not accepted but you qualify, your application will remain on file. Should an opening occur, your application may be reconsidered.

Q. If I am accepted, how will I make arrangements for transportation?
A. The Ocean County Vocational Technical School is a public school district. If you have been accepted, your resident school district will be notified and transportation will be provided by that district.

Q. Are there other costs?
A. You can expect to incur the same kinds of costs that you would in your resident school. Notebooks, pens, pencils etc. are the responsibility of the students. Uniforms will be an additional cost.
Academy of Law & Public Safety

Interested 8th grade students may apply this year to be part of the incoming freshman class in September 2019. Students are accepted through a competitive application process. All courses are instructed utilizing a block schedule format - classes are 80 minutes.

COURSE OFFERINGS

Freshman Year
Biology
World History
Spanish I
English I
Physical Education/Health
Spanish II
Algebra I OR Geometry
HLSC 173 - Introduction to Security

Sophomore Year
Geometry or Algebra II - Fall
Functions of Statistics and Trigonometry OR Algebra II - Spring
English II
Physical Education/Health/Drivers Education
US History I
Chemistry
Spanish III
*HLSC 172- International and Domestic Terrorism

Junior Year
Physics
English III
Algebra II or Functions of Statistics and Trigonometry
Concepts OR Pre-Calculus
Physical Education/Health/Financial Literacy
US History II
*HLSC 170-Introduction to Homeland Security
*CRIM 150-The Criminal Justice System
*CRIM 151-Police Organization and Administration

Senior Year
Forensics
English IV
Art or OCC Sociology OR Pre-Calculus OR
Calculus Physical Education/Health
*CRIM 255-Criminal Law and Procedures
*CRIM 155-Introduction to Corrections
*CRIM 152-Introduction to Law Enforcement
*HLSC 171-Fundamentals of Emergency Management

Students have the opportunity to earn certifications: Emergency Medical Responder, Basic Telecommunicator, and Special Law Enforcement Officer, Class I

LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY GRADUATES HAVE ATTENDED:

Ocean County College
Richard Stockton University
York College of Pennsylvania
Rutgers University
Kean University
Brookdale Community College
Drew University
New Jersey City University
Rampone College
Monmouth University
Belmont Abbey College
University of New Haven
Kings College
University of North Carolina at Wilmington
Nova University
The College of New Jersey
Norwich University
University of Florida
University of Maine
University of Delaware
Fairleigh Dickinson University
Georgian Court University
Montclair University
Marshall University

*Articulation agreements with Ocean County College and Georgian Court University provide students with the opportunity to earn college credits. Course offerings subject to change.
CAREER PATH OPTIONS FOR LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY GRADUATES

Police Officer
New Jersey State Trooper
New York State Trooper
Police Detective
Correction Officer NJ Department of Corrections
Medical Examiner Investigator
Special Agent in BATF – Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms
Police Telecommunications Operator
Special Agent in the FBI – Federal Bureau of Investigation
US Marshal
US Park Police Officer/Park Ranger
Special Agent in US Customs
County Sheriff
US Postal Inspector
NJ Department of Environmental Protection Investigator
US Border Patrol Agent
Special Agent in the NJ Department of Treasury
County Prosecutor Detective
County Correction Officer
Special Agent in the US Department of Homeland Security
Special Agent NCIS - Naval Criminal Investigative Service
Special Agent in the US Secret Service
Criminologist
Crime Scene Forensic Investigator
NJ State Conservation Officer
Special Agent – Internal Revenue Service
Special Agent in the DEA – Drug Enforcement Administration
TSA Agent – US Transportation Security Agency
Military Police Officer
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STUDENT CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS
Class Council
Fishing Club
Honor Guard
National Honor Society
SkillsUSA
Yearbook
Literary Magazine
Mock Trial
Community Service/Interact

GUEST SPEAKERS
Ocean County Sheriff’s Department
Ocean County Prosecutor’s Office
New Jersey State Police (NJSP) Command Staff
NJSP Aviation Unit
NJSP Special Operations Arson / Bomb Unit
NJSP Hazardous Material Teams
Ocean County Municipal K9 Teams
Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) Agent
US Customs and Borders
Multiple Chiefs of Police and Local Police Agencies

FIELD TRIPS
Ocean County Juvenile Detention Center
New Jersey State Police Marine Bureau
NJSP Regional Operation Intelligence Center
Eastern State Penitentiary
World Trade Center Memorial
Monmouth County Water Treatment Plant
Ocean County Police Academy
Ocean County Jail
Brick Township Police Department
Ocean Township Police Department
It is the mission of the Ocean County Vocational Technical School system to prepare students for job placement or further education leading to successful employment. We develop partnerships with affiliated schools, parents, business, industry and community agencies to create and deliver opportunities for students to participate in quality occupational programs and support services. These programs and services are designed to meet the needs of high school students and adult learners, as well as the requirements of employers, colleges, technical schools and the community. All students will achieve the New Jersey Core Curriculum Standards at all grade levels. Our most important products are our quality graduates and our most important service is to provide them with skills for a lifetime. We measure our success by: enrollment in our programs; student attainment of marketable occupational skills; graduates capable and desirous of life-long learning; employer and graduate satisfaction; cost effectiveness of our total system; achievement of our graduates; and organizational and individual recognition and awards received.

It is the policy of the Board of Education of Ocean County Vocational Technical School not to discriminate in its technical programs, vocational opportunities, activities, employment practices or admission policies and practices on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, sex, ancestry, national origin, affectional and sexual orientation, illness or disability, age, military status, or political affiliation. Lack of English language skills will not be a deterrent to admission to any program at Ocean County Vocational Technical School.

Inquiries regarding affirmative action, discrimination (including Federal Title IX requirements), sexual harassment or equity should be directed to:

Dr. Michael Maschi, Title IX/Affirmative Action Office, 732.240.6414 (ext. 3332)
Alison Carroll, Federal Section 504 Officer, 732.473.3100 (ext. 4001)
Alison Carroll, Americans with Disabilities Officer, 732.473.3100 (ext. 4001)

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