



# 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:**  
**415 students graduated from the program**  
**359 (87%) have gone on to college**  
**37 (9%) have gone on to military**

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.





# APPLICATION PROCEDURES

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1. You may apply to only one academy. You may attend as many information sessions as you like to help you decide which school is right for you.
2. Academy applications and admission materials can be obtained at one of the information sessions.
3. Complete the required application online. 7th grade final report card and 8th grade first marking period report card **MUST** be included.
4. **All applications MUST be submitted online by midnight on December 11, 2022.**
5. Take the admissions test on January 21, 2023. Testing details to be determined.

## Acceptance Criteria

Applicants will be ranked using the following criteria:

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| A) Academic grades | 7th grade                        |
|                    | 8th grade (first marking period) |
| B) Admissions Exam |                                  |



## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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Q. What must be included with my application?

A. The application must be completely filled out and include grade transcripts compiled from 7th grade and the first marking period of 8th grade. The deadline for applications will be December 11, 2022. It is the applicant's responsibility to make sure that the application is submitted on or before the deadline. Late applications WILL NOT be accepted.

Q. How competitive is the admissions process?

A. In general, there will be more applicants than available space. We assign scores to all applicants based on academic records and performance on our entrance exam.

Q. What happens if I am not accepted?

A. If you are not accepted but you meet the minimum criteria, your application will remain on file. Should an opening occur, your application may be reconsidered.

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. It will take approximately four weeks for all processing to be completed after the audition date. All applicants who have completed the admissions process will be notified by mail whether they have been accepted or not.

Q. Can I apply to more than one Career Academy?

A. No, you may only apply to one school. The Career Academies offer very specialized curricula. The Career Academies admissions process attempts to match students to the most appropriate program for that student. One of the first steps in that process is for you to choose the school that most fulfills your interests and abilities.

Q. How will I make arrangements for transportation and other costs?

A. The Ocean County Vocational Technical School District 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. You can expect to incur the same kinds of costs that you would in your resident school. Notebooks, pens, pencils, etc. are your responsibility to provide.

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Interested 8th grade students may apply this year to be part of the incoming freshman class in September 2023. Students are accepted through a competitive application process. All courses are instructed utilizing a block schedule format - classes are 80 minutes.

## Freshman Year

Biology  
World History  
Spanish I  
English I CP/Honors  
Physical Education/Health/Boater Safety  
Algebra I OR Geometry  
Art  
ALPS Seminar

## Sophomore Year

Chemistry  
Algebra II or Geometry (Fall)  
CRIM 151- Police Administration and Organization  
Spanish II  
US History I  
PE/ Health/Drivers Ed  
CRIM 254 Constitutional Law and Rules of Evidence  
English II CP/Honors

## COURSE OFFERINGS

### Junior Year

English III CP/Honors  
PE/ Health/Financial Literacy  
HLSC 170 Intro to Homeland Security  
CRIM 150 The Criminal Justice System  
Physics  
US History II  
Law Enforcement Report Writing  
Algebra II or FST or Pre-Calculus

### Senior Year

English IV CP/Honors  
PE/ Health/CPR  
SOCl 181 Sociology or Calculus or Pre-Calculus  
CRIM 155 Intro to Corrections  
CRIM 152 Intro to Law Enforcement  
Forensics  
CRIM281 Criminal Investigation \*SLEO  
CRIM 255 Criminal Law & Procedures \*BTC and EMD  
Students have the opportunity to earn certifications: Emergency Medical Dispatch, Basic Telecommunicator, and Special Law Enforcement Officer, Class I (SLEO I)

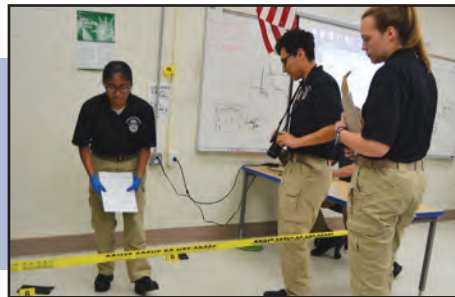
\*Articulation agreements with Ocean County College and Georgian Court University provide students with the opportunity to earn college credits. Course offerings subject to change.

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## LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY GRADUATES HAVE ATTENDED:

Ocean County College  
Stockton University  
York College of Pennsylvania  
Rutgers University  
Kean University  
Brookdale Community College  
Drew University  
New Jersey City University  
Ramapo College  
Monmouth University  
University of Tampa  
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





## **Academy of Law and Public Safety**

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### **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



## Academy of Law and Public Safety



### **STUDENT CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS**

Class Council  
Fishing Club  
Honor Guard  
National Honor Society  
SkillsUSA  
Yearbook  
Literary Magazine  
Mock Trial  
Community Service/Interact  
GSA



### **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



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Ocean County Vocational Technical School District  
**Tom McInerney**, Principal  
**Alison Prendeville**, Dean of Students

**English**  
Trista Alstadt  
Kara Gerick

**Health/Physical Education**  
Sean McAndrew

**Mathematics**  
Karen Quigley  
Nicholas Brion

**Science/Technology**  
Ben Cilley

**Social Studies**  
Christian Pontier

**Law and Public Safety**  
Daniel Hippe  
Robert Mazza  
Robert Yaiser

**Guidance**  
Alison Prendeville

**Administrative Secretary**  
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The mission of Ocean County Vocational Technical School is to provide an intensive and immersive educational experience aligned with the current and emerging demands of business, industry, and advanced education. We instill the knowledge, skills, and competencies required for students to experience success in entering the workforce, advancing along a career pathway, and achieving career aspirations.

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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)  
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