Deschutes County Sheriff offers Citizenâ€™s Academy

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The Deschutes County Sheriffâ€™s Office is sponsoring another Citizenâ€™s Academy which will be held in Bend for this new session. This 10-week course is designed to give attendees a very in-depth look at the different divisions of the Sheriffâ€™s Office, and educate the public about what your Sheriffâ€™s Office does and is responsible for.

The Citizenâ€™s Academy, free to participants, will be held Mar. 21-May 23, each Wednesday from 6 to 9 p.m.
In addition to the classroom instruction, participants will go on patrol ride-alongs, and tour the 911 Center and Deschutes County Jail.

There are two optional Saturday sessions. Participants can experience Emergency Vehicle Operations (EVOC) during one session, and Range 3000 (an interactive â€œshoot/donâ€™t shootâ€• training program) during the other optional session.

The Academy is scheduled each Wednesday night beginning March 21 and continuing through May 23. Class times are 6-9 p.m. Dinner will be provided each week, and the Citizenâ€™s Academy is free to attend.

Applications must be received by March 9, and are available at the main Sheriffâ€™s Office in Bend, 63333 West Highway 20 or may be downloaded here. Additional information may be found here.

Applications should be aware of the following:

* You must be 18 years of age

* You must complete an application
* You are asked to commit to the 8 week series of classes
* Preference will be given to those who work or reside in Deschutes County
* You will be subject to a criminal background check.

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