

Fox Valley Law Enforcement Explorer Competition

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: What is the date of the competition?

A: Saturday May 6, 2017.

Q: Is there are rain date for this event?

A: No. All events are held indoors with the exception of Traffic Stops. This scenario has been moved indoors before and will be moved indoors again if the weather dictates. The only scenario that will be canceled due to weather is the Obstacle Course.

Q: When is the registration open?

A: March 1, 2017 through April 25, 2017.

Q: Is there a cap on the number of teams that will be allowed to participate?

A: Yes. Only 16 team spots are available due to logistics. Each post should only register 1 team to compete. Please indicate via email or phone call if you and your post would be interested in having a 2nd competition team, room permitting. Requests will be granted on a first come, first serve basis.

Q: Is there a number cap on how many explorers or advisors that I can register for this competition?

A: No. The post as a whole will only be given 1 team spot to compete, unless extra space is available at the close of registration. You may choose which explorers you wish to have compete in each of the scenarios with the exception of Traffic Stops and Mock Trial. There is no cap on the number of advisors you are permitted to bring.

Q: I am a sworn police officer and my department policy dictates that I must have my duty issued firearm on my person at these types of events. Am I permitted to bring my duty issued firearm onto the campus and into the facility.

A: Please contact Fox Valley Technical College Public Safety Training Center on their policies regarding firearms and weapons on their campus.

Q: Is food provided?

A: Lunch is provided and is part of the participation cost. Dinner and breakfast are not provided. Several vending machines are on the campus and will be available during the competition.

Q: Where do I park and enter the building?

A: There is a main parking lot in the front of the building. The main entrance is located there. Please look for signs upon entering for directions to the main meeting room. Please be advised that we will not be the only occupants of the campus that day as classes are still taking place.

Q: I am traveling from a distance away to this event and would like to stay overnight. Is there housing available at this campus?

A: No. Housing is not available on the campus. No overnight arrangements have been made for this event. Please contact Josh Luebke for questions regarding this. He will be able to get you contact information for several local hotels.

Q: My group had to cancel at the last minute and will not be able to attend the event. I have already paid for my post to participate. Will I be refunded?

A: Refunds will be dealt with on a case by case basis.

Q: I have never seen a Mock Trial Team Competition before. How is this going to work and how should I prepare my explorers?

A: This scenario is designed to give the explores a taste to the other side of the Criminal Justice System; The Courts! The primary explorer who was on the Traffic Stop scenario, will have to testify in court as to his actions and the course of enforcement that they took in regards to their suspect. The officer will be both examined and cross-examined on the witness stand. Although we would love to have all four officers testify, it would be extremely hard to achieve this due to time restraints. Therefore, we are having the primary officer testify on their Traffic Stop. Advisors should teach their kids the basics of courtroom testimony in the role of a police officer.

Q: Will my team have the opportunity to compete in all the scenarios?

A: Yes!

Q: Am I allowed to drive my team from scenario site to scenario site?

A: No. Personal vehicles are allowed in designated parking lots only. Only FVTC vehicles are allowed into the training village.

Q: I have never been to this facility before and do not know what to expect. What are the scenarios like?

A: The scenarios are designed to be as real life as possible. FVTC has a new state of the art training center complete with a "village" complete with houses, bar, gas station, bank, hotel, and many more. Explorers will not have to pretend they are inside a house handling a disturbance at a house. They will be put right into a fully furnished and functioning house. The village is designed to make the scenarios look and feel like the real thing.