

What We Do

The Fort Pierce Police Explorers learn:

- How to conduct routine and high risk traffic stops
- Weapons safety and how to shoot the different law enforcement weapons
- Defensive tactics and handcuffing techniques
- Tactical movements
- Proper radio procedures
- How to conduct building searches and crime scene investigations

And They Participate In:

- Physical Fitness Training
- Compete in annual law enforcement competitions
- Law enforcement academy and officer ride alongs for qualified Explorers

Who Can Join?

Any young man or woman who meets the following requirements:

- 14 (and have completed the 8th grade) or 15 to 20 years of age
- Pass the background check with no major crimes
- Attend school in St. Lucie County
- Maintain a minimum 2.5 GPA
- Must be motivated to learn and participate
- Be a role model for your peers

Commonly Asked Questions

When are the Explorer meetings?

Meetings are held every second and fourth Tuesday of the month. Additional meetings and details can be held depending on scheduling.

What do I wear to my first meeting?

A good choice would be dark colored pants, and a collared shirt. Once you become an Explorer a uniform will be issued to you.

Where are meetings held?

Meetings are held at the Fort Pierce Police Department located at 920 S. US 1, Fort Pierce, Florida 34950



Fort Pierce
Police Department
Explorer Post #477

Protecting the community we serve.



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Benefits of Exploring

- Positive impact on educational opportunities
- Preparing for transition to the workplace
- Team building
- Stimulating interest in continuing education
- Developing future responsible and caring adults
- Developing leadership and problem solving skills
- Offering a safe environment for adult like activities
- Positive alternative to negative youth activities
- Greater commitment to community service
- Opportunities to participate in practical, real, and meaningful hands-on experiences

What is Exploring?



The Law Enforcement Exploring Program was founded in 1973 by Learning for Life, a non – scouting division of the Boy Scouts of America. The Fort Pierce



Police Explorer program was founded in 1990. The program's main focus is to provide area youth a practical hands – on approach to experience law enforcement career possibilities. The added benefits to the Explorers are: Building self confidence, developing mental and physical discipline, having the opportunity to earn leadership skills & roles, and earning community service credit towards high school graduation all while in a supportive and caring environment.

Emphasis on Exploring

- **Citizenship**
Encourage the skill and desire to help others. Gain a keen respect for the basic rights of others.
- **Career Opportunities**
Boost self–confidence and experiencing success at both school and work.
- **Leadership Experience**
Develop leadership skills to fulfill our responsibilities in society
- **Life Skills**
Develop mental and physical fitness
- **Character Education**
Help make ethical choices

