

CENTRAL SHENANDOAH CRIMINAL JUSTICE TRAINING ACADEMY



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CSCJTA Begins the CALEA® Accreditation Process

On May 31, 2017 Interim Director Andrew McNally signed the agreement to start the CALEA Accreditation process. The academy has three Certified Accreditation Managers (Laurie Skinner, Lead Manager / Heather Gearheart / Matthew Bosserman) that will be working together to start the self-assessment process.

What this means for the academy and Member Agencies

The Public Safety Training Academy Accreditation Program has been in existence since 2002. The purpose is to promote superior public safety training services and recognize professional excellence. The program's standards tell the academies what they should be doing, but the decision on how it is executed is left up to the academy and the Chief Executive Officer.

CALEA Accreditation requires an academy to develop a comprehensive and uniform set of written directives. Being CALEA Accredited can limit the academy's liability and risk exposure because it demonstrates that recognized standards for public safety training academies have been met, as verified by a team of CALEA-trained assessors.

Member agencies will benefit from accreditation by the academy producing better trained public safety personnel and it will also promote greater accountability within the academy.

Timeline for accreditation

- Self-Assessment – The academy has up to 2 years in self-assessment, but we intend to complete that early.
- Mock Assessment – The academy has a CALEA certified assessor check their proofs and written directives pertaining to the required standards to make sure they're in compliance.
- On-Site Assessment – CALEA certified assessors conduct the assessment and report their findings to the Commission for review and decision.
- Commission Review and Decision – the Commission's Agency Review Committee conduct hearings, which are open for public attendance, regarding the academy's compliance to applicable standards. The final credentialing decision is made by the Commission and occurs at the next scheduled CALEA Conference.

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North Campus News

The following agencies have either used or will be using the North Campus for departmental training.

- James Madison University Police Department
- Harrisonburg Police Department
- Woodstock Police Department
- Waynesboro Police Department
- Albemarle County Police Department
- Charlottesville Police Department
- Mt. Jackson Police Department
- University of Virginia Police Department
- Shenandoah County Sheriff's Office
- Piedmont Virginia Community College Police Dept.
- Virginia School for the Deaf and Blind Police Department

Upcoming Training Classes

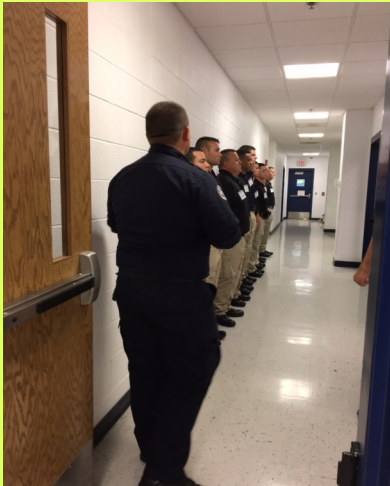
- 8/29/17—8/30/17.....Grant Writing for Law Enforcement
- 9/8/17.....Vehicle Rifle Pistol Course
- 10/10/17.....Revive (Train the Trainer Course)
- 11/13/17.....Simunition Instructor & Safety Course

Basic Law 136 Class

This class is the first class to have note-taking study guides to better prepare them for exams and to refer back to when they go to their agencies.

BLE 136 is also the first class to use the new workout program that's been designed by Dr. Bever from George Mason University. We have seen significant weight loss and fitness improvements from the students.

Orientation Day



Orientation Day



Morning Flag Detail



First Aid/CPR/AED Training



Basic Law 136 Class—Continued

LAWFIT Course and Physical Training



Basic Jail 117 Class

BJO 117 is also the first jail class to use the new workout program that was designed by Dr. Bever (GMU). We have seen significant improvements from the students in just a few short weeks. The BJO class is 9 weeks of hard work and dedication to the job to advance themselves in their career.

Orientation Day



Orientation Day



Inspection Formation



Firearms Week





MEMBER AGENCY SPOT- LIGHT

STAUNTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Staunton Police Department is located at 116 West Beverley Street in historic downtown Staunton, Virginia. The Staunton Police Department is charged with the duty and privilege of protecting and serving all persons within their jurisdiction.



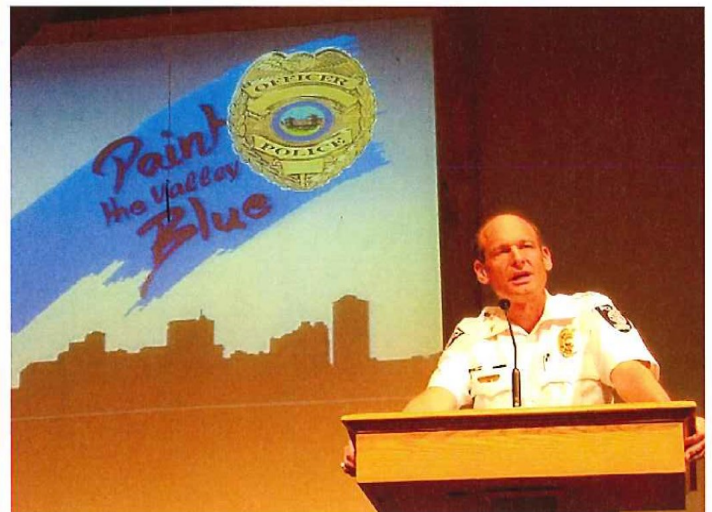
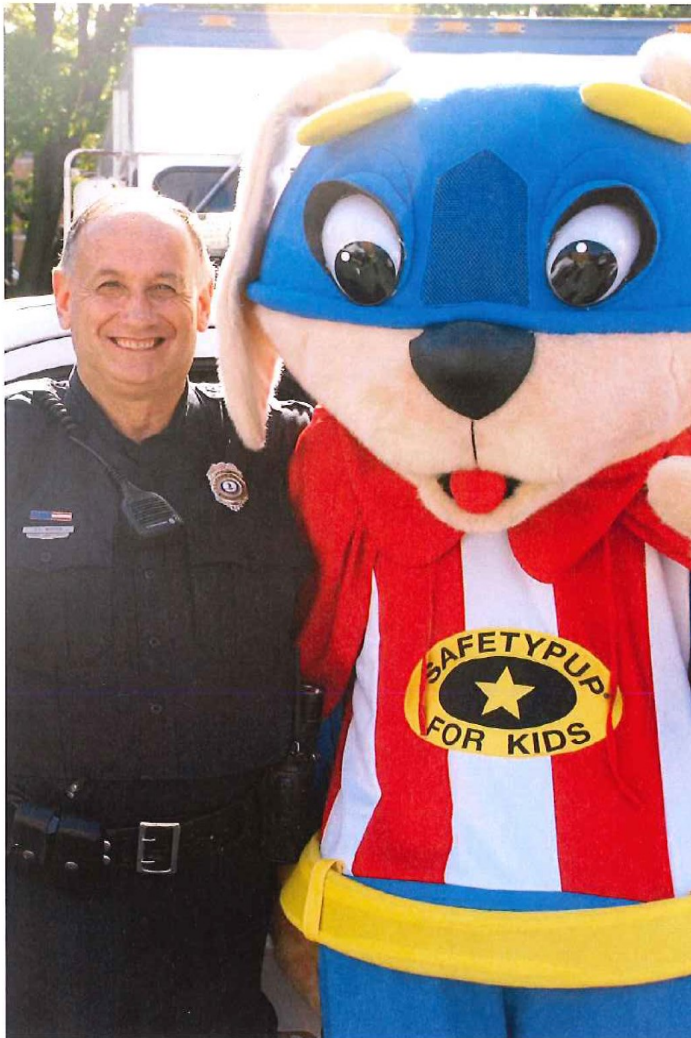
The Staunton Police Department is led by Chief of Police Jim Williams. Williams, a 32 year veteran of the Department, has served as the police chief

since July 1, 2003. Chief Williams is a proponent of community policing and fair and impartial policing. The Department conducts numerous community outreach programs, including Kid's Matter Day, Shop with a Cop, Coffee with a Cop, Special Olympics Torch Run, Cone with a Cop, Neighborhood and Business Watch, Citizen's Police Academy, and many others. In addition, the Staunton Police Department was among the first agencies in Virginia to adopt the fair and impartial policing model, serving as a host agency for the training in 2016.

The Staunton Police Department is a full-service police agency, providing a wide range of law enforcement and related services to the members of the City of Staunton and its visitors. The Department consists of 52 sworn officers and 18 full-time civilian employees. The Department maintains a part-time tactical team, bicycle patrol, school resource officers, crime analysis, reserve police, honor guard, K-9, school crossing guards, CIT officers, parking enforcement, records/evidence and participates in the regional Skyline drug and anti-gang task force.

In addition to providing 24 hour patrol coverage and criminal investigation functions, the Department also houses the city's state-of-the-art Enhanced 911 Center. The center serves as the primary answering point for 911 emergency calls for service and dispatches for police, the fire department, and the local rescue squad.

In May of 1985, the Staunton Police Department became one of the first agencies accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Law enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA). The Department has since received re-accreditation awards in 1990, 1995, 1998, 2001, 2004, 2007, 2010, 2013 and 2016. The Department is the longest tenured agency in the world, having received 10 accreditation awards, including recognition as both a CALEA flagship agency and meritorious accreditation.

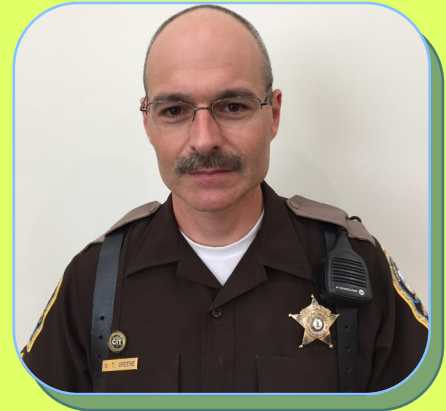


Instructor Spotlight

Michael T. Greene

Deputy Sheriff, Corporal

City of Charlottesville Sheriff's Office



Michael grew up in Fluvanna County graduating from Fluvanna County High School. He has an Associate Degree in Police Science from Piedmont Virginia Community College.

Michael began his career with the Sheriff's Office in 1994. He graduated in 1995 from the civil process/courtroom security basic academy and the 77th basic law enforcement academy in 1996. He received his certification as a general instructor and firearms instructor in 1996.

Michael's current duties are as a working supervisor and agency Accreditation Manager pursuing initial accreditation. In addition he instructs the courtroom security/civil process basic class twice a year at CSCJTA.

Academy Staff Spotlight**Bobby Landes****Training Coordinator**

Before starting his law enforcement career, Landes served in the United States Air Force for six years based at locations in North Dakota, Virginia, and Germany.

Landes began his law enforcement career in 1988 with the City of Harrisonburg Police Department, and graduated from the 56th BLE at CSCJTA. Landes worked as a patrol officer with Bridgewater Police Department from 1989 to 1994. Landes then returned to Harrisonburg Police Department as a patrol officer, evidence technician, FTO, and member of the Honor Guard.

In 1999, Landes continued to use his skills as an evidence technician and FTO in his new role as a patrol officer at James Madison University Police Department.

Landes was promoted to Patrol Sergeant in 2002, Lieutenant/Patrol Commander in 2004.

In 2015, Landes was promoted to the rank of Major and assumed the role of Deputy Chief of Police. He oversaw the Communications Division, Special Events, Crime Prevention units, and served as Incident Commander at all major University events. Landes was also a member of the University's Behavioral Assessment Team, and Faculty Staff Intervention Team.

Landes retired September 1st 2016, and enjoys spending time with his family, and riding his Harley!

Landes started his new part-time position here at the academy as Training Coordinator on May 30, 2017. He will be here to assist the other training coordinators in running their Basic classes as well as instructing the FTO class here.

Academy Staff Spotlight**Steven Arney****Training Coordinator**

Steven started his career in Law Enforcement in 2001 at Kingsport Tennessee Police Department. After working there for a little over a year he moved to Wise County where he began working for the Wise County Sheriff's Office and worked there from 2001 - 2013. While working at Wise County, Steven worked in the Patrol Division and reached the rank of Sergeant. He was also the K-9 supervisor and was a member of the Sheriffs Response Team. During his 12 year tenure at Wise County he was awarded the Combat Cross, Three Gallantry Stars, Two Life Saving Medals and The National Award for Valor. Prior to his L.E. Career he served four years in the U.S.A.F.

During his time at Wise County he was active in the training side of Law Enforcement teaching both in house and at the academy. He instructed Firearms, Defensive Tactics, Driver Training, SFST, Breaching, Chemical Munitions, Law Enforcement Fitness, Taser, and First Aid & CPR. In 2013 he accepted a Training Coordinator Job at Central Shenandoah Training Academy.

Recent Graduations



In-Service Training

Officer Survival — 8/2/17 thru 8/3/17



Central Shenandoah Criminal Justice Training Academy, Virginia

Instinctive Hand-to-Hand Combat Course

We were hosted by the Central Shenandoah Criminal Justice Training Academy where we provided our; Instinctive Hand-to-Hand Combat Course, Ground Survival Combatives for Law Enforcement, and Felony/High Risk Car Stop Training. We had attendees from the following agencies: Staunton Police Dept., Culpeper Police Dept., Rockingham County Sheriff's Office, Waynesboro Police Dept., Albemarle Charlottesville Regional Jail, James Madison Univ. Police Dept., Harrisonburg Police Dept., Woodstock Police Dept., and the University of Virginia Police Dept..



Central Shenandoah Criminal Justice Training Academy, Virginia

Felony/High Risk Car Stop Training



Central Shenandoah Criminal Justice Training Academy, Virginia

Survival Ground Combatives for Law Enforcement