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BURNSVILLE POLICE OFFER CITIZENS ACADEMY SEPT. 4 - NOV. 12
Registration Due Aug. 9

Residents looking for the real police experience (from the outside of the metal bars, of course) are invited to participate in the Burnsville Police Department's Annual Citizens Academy. The course offers residents a hands-on opportunity to see what it's like to be a police officer.

"Citizens Academy is really an opportunity for our residents to go through a mini police academy," said Burnsville Police Chief Eric Gieseke. "It's an opportunity for them to walk in our shoes to see what we do as police professionals, and it gives us a way to build and maintain positive relationships with our community members."

Participants get to handcuff classmates, be behind the wheel for emergency vehicle operations, participate in police response scenarios, test their skills at the indoor shooting range and take part in a Taser demonstration.

What: Burnsville Police Citizens Academy
Who: Adults 18+ who live or work in Burnsville
When: Thursday nights, Sept. 4 – Nov. 12
Where: Burnsville City Hall, 100 Civic Center Parkway
Cost: FREE

Topics for the academy include:

- Traffic stops/driving course/DWI demonstration
- Officer survival/use of force
- Taser demonstration/indoor range shooting
- Review of common police calls/laws of arrest/handcuffing procedures
- Functions/history/tour of the Department

To participate in Citizens Academy, fill out an application online at www.burnsville.org/citizensacademy and return it to the Burnsville Police Department no later than Aug. 9. Class is limited to 24 participants who must live or work in Burnsville.