

ST. PETERSBURG POLICE PUBLIC SAFETY CADETS UNIT #1969



ACCEPTANCE APPLICATION

Teaching the Future of Law Enforcement

St. Petersburg Police Public Safety Cadets Unit #1969
Application for Acceptance

Name of Applicant: _____

Today's Date: _____

The St. Petersburg Police Public Safety Cadets is a co-ed program chartered through Public Safety Cadets Organization and sponsored by the St. Petersburg Police Department, serving since 1969. The Public Safety Cadet is not a sworn officer and does not have any police powers.

Most Public Safety Cadets express a definite interest in police work as their career; however, this is not a requirement to become a member of the unit. It is hoped that by being associated with the program, the member will become familiar with the responsibilities of a police officer.

After a period of tenure, training and testing, a Public Safety Cadet may be permitted to ride with a regular police officer in a marked cruiser as an observer. This is done so that the Public Safety Cadet may further their education in police work.

In order to be considered for membership in Unit #1969, an applicant must meet the following criteria:

1. Must pass a criminal background check (ANY felony and certain misdemeanors will disqualify the applicant)
2. Must be in school, have completed the eighth grade, and must be at least 14 years-of-age, but not older than 18 years of age. Upon acceptance prior their 19th birthday, the member may remain a member until the age of 21.
3. Must have, and maintain, a grade point average of 2.0 or better. For the pistol team or special teams, the Public Safety Cadet must maintain a 2.5 GPA or better.
4. Must pass an oral interview given by a board consisting of ranking Public Safety Cadets and Mentors. The applicant must attend four (4) consecutive meetings. At the time of the fourth meeting, the applicant will be given the oral interview board.
5. The applicant and parents/guardians must understand that it is imperative to participate in the meetings and special events in order to learn about the many aspects of law enforcement. Participation is crucial to be considered a member of the unit.
6. The application must be turned in by the second meeting.

An acceptance board will be held after the applicant attends four consecutive meetings. We recommend that the application be turned in by the second meeting.

A one (1) time registration fee of \$40.00 (check or cash) is collected following acceptance into the program. This fee covers the Public Safety Cadets registration fee along with secondary insurance (if no personal insurance coverage) and starting supplies. A yearly fee of \$30.00 is due every October for each member.

A special note to parents/applicant: Once the applicant is accepted and turns in their dues, they will be issued a gray polo shirt. There is no need for the new member to purchase handcuffs, flashlights, etc. The only items they will need to purchase are black polishable shoes/boots, black socks, and black crew neck t-shirts. Once they are eligible for the Class B uniform, they will be issued the equipment.

The Hold Harmless Agreement (included in this package) must be filled out, signed, and notarized prior to the acceptance board. The information provided by you on this application should be printed in ink or typewritten. DO NOT leave any black spaces.

For ALL pages ----- If a space does not apply to you please put "N/A" in that space.

The application is due by the second meeting.

All information is to be true and any discrepancies or falsifying of information will result in immediate disqualification for membership with Unit #1969. All information on the application will be checked and verified.

If you have any questions regarding this application, or any concerns, you may contact:

Officer Aaron Waldo at (727) 892-5082 or PublicSafetyCadets@stpete.org

I, _____, an applicant for the St. Petersburg Police Public Safety Cadet Unit #1969, have read the above information and meet all the requirements to participate in the St. Petersburg Police Public Safety Cadet Program. I agree to follow all program and department rules and policies. I also understand that participation in the Public Safety Cadet program is voluntary and at an "at will" status. The sponsoring agency/organization (St. Petersburg Police Department) acting through its Cadets Program Unit, is free to discharge a member without cause.

Applicant's Signature

Date

(We)(I) The undersigned parent(s) or guardian having legal custody of Public Safety Cadet applicant _____, a minor, authorize them to continue the Public Safety Cadet application process. I have read the above listed information and understand a background investigation will be conducted. I hereby grant permission to release any findings to the Acceptance Board and Unit Mentors.

Signature(s) Parent/Guardian _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian _____ Date: _____

PROSPECTIVE PUBLIC SAFETY CADET BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

All questions must be answered. If something does not apply please indicate N/A.

Print and use **Black Ink**. If more space is needed, use additional paper.

Note: If there are any un-answered questions on this application, the application will be **rejected**.

Applicant Name: _____		
_____	_____	_____
Last (Jr, II, III, etc.)	First	Middle (Full)
Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____ Race: _____ Sex: _____ (M/F)		
Height: _____ Weight: _____ Hair color: _____ Eye color: _____		
Address: _____		
_____	_____	_____
City, State	Zip Code	
Phone: _____		
_____	_____	_____
Home	Cell	Other
Applicant E-Mail Address: _____		
Social Security Number: _____		
(SS# is only used for background checks)		
Driver's License or ID #: _____ DL Class: _____		
State: _____ Expiration Date: _____		
List any scars, marks, tattoos (surgery scars, birthmarks, stitches, etc.) _____		

Current School attending: _____ Grade: _____		
What year will you graduate high school? _____		
Currently live with: (parent/guardian) _____ Relationship: _____		

Signature _____
Applicant

Date ____/____/____

PARENT/GUARDIAN BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

All questions must be answered. If something does not apply please indicate "N/A"

Print and use **Black Ink**. If more space is needed, use additional paper.

Parent/Guardian Name:	_____	_____	_____
	Last (Jr, II, III, etc.)	First	Middle (Full)
Date of Birth:	_____	Relationship to applicant:	_____
Address:	_____		_____
		City, State	Zip Code
Phone:	_____		
	Home	Cell	Other
E-Mail Address:	_____		
Employer:	_____		_____
	Name	Phone	

In case of an emergency, contact: **(other than person mentioned above)**

2) Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

Relationship to applicant: _____

Home phone number: _____ Cellular phone number: _____

Work phone number: _____ Other phone number: _____

3) Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

Relationship to applicant: _____

Home phone number: _____ Cellular phone number: _____

Work phone number: _____ Other phone number: _____

Your signature confirms the applicant's and your information are true and correct.

Signature _____
Parent or Guardian

Date ____ / ____ / ____

Questions:

1. Length of time lived at current home address: _____

2. List any other addresses you have lived in the past 5 years (include City and State):

3. List names and dates of birth of siblings:

4. Are you a U.S. citizen: Yes _____ No _____ If not, where are you from? _____

5. Are you now, have you ever been or are you presently associated with any member(s) of a Gang?
Yes _____ No _____

6. List schools attended during the past three years _____

7. Have you ever been suspended or received a referral from school? Yes _____ No _____
If so, for what reason and when? _____

8. How did you hear about the Public Safety Cadet program?

9. Do you agree to attend regular Unit meetings on Monday evenings from 6-8:30p.m. and any special events to be announced? Yes _____ No _____

10. Are you currently or have you previously been a member of another Public Safety Cadet or Explorer program? Yes _____ No _____ If Yes, where and when? _____

11. Have you participated in the Pinellas County Multi-Jurisdiction Law Enforcement Explorer Academy?
Yes _____ No _____ If yes, when did you participate? _____

12. What extracurricular activities are you involved in at school? _____

13. Will the extracurricular activities effect your participation as a member of the PSC program?
Yes ___ No ___. (Note: A leave of absence can be granted for those with conflicts with other
extracurricular activities). However, it is the applicant's/members responsibility to inform the Lead
Mentor.

14. Have you ever been employed? Yes ___ No _____

Current Employer:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State & Zip: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Last Two Employers:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State & Zip: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State & Zip: _____

Telephone Number: _____

15. Read this statement before signing:

I hereby certify that all statements made on or in connection with this application, including those regarding my training and experience, are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand and agree that any misstatements or omissions of material fact herein will cause forfeiture on my part of all rights to appointment as a St. Petersburg Police Public Safety Cadet.

Signature: _____
Applicant

Signature: _____
Parent or Guardian

Participant/Model/Artist/Performer Release Form

I authorize the City of St. Petersburg/Police Department/WSPF-TV Channel 35/15/ Public Safety Cadets/Florida Association of Police Explorers and its agents to utilize my name, likeness, appearance, video image, or photograph for the City’s advertising, trade, or promotional purposes. I further understand that my appearance in any production, any proofs or prints (negatives or positives), and video tapes shall remain the sole property of the City of St. Petersburg and its licensed agents. I also certify that my release and authorization contained herein will not violate any pre-existent or subsequent contracts or commitments for which I am responsible or liable.

I also agree that should I receive any prints, negatives, or video of my name, image, likeness, or appearance which were used for the City’s advertisement, trade, or promotional purposes, I shall not authorize its use by any other parties unless so agreed to by a responsible agent of the City of St. Petersburg.

DATE: _____

• **I am over 18 years of age:** _____
(signature of model, over age 18) (print name here)

• **Witnessed by:** _____
(signature of witness) (print name here)

• ***If minor: The model appearing is under age eighteen (18), and I do sign this release under the representation of legal parent or guardian:***

(Print model’s name, 18 & under) (Signature of model)

(Signature of parent or guardian) (Print parent or guardian name here)

_____ **Check here if you choose not to participate.**

(Print model’s name) (Signature of model)

Uniform and Equipment Agreement

Upon leaving Unit #1969 for any reason, the member shall immediately surrender their assigned brass, uniform, shirt, pants, and **any other property** belonging to the St. Petersburg Police Public Safety Cadets or the St. Petersburg Police Department. The Public Safety Cadet will be responsible for the cost incurred to replace lost items or items not returned upon separation.

_____ Date: _____
(Public Safety Cadet - Print Name)

(Public Safety Cadet - Signature)

If under 18 years of age:

Parent or Guardian: _____ Date: _____
(Print)

Parent or Guardian: _____
(Signature)

**BYLAWS AND STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES
OF ST. PETERSBURG POLICE PUBLIC SAFETY CADET UNIT #1969**

Acknowledgement:

Signing indicates that you have received a copy of the By-laws and Standard Operating Procedures and understand you are responsible for reading and abiding by the rules listed in the By-Laws.

_____ Date: _____
(Public Safety Cadet - Print Name)

(Public Safety Cadet - Signature)

If under 18 years of age:

Parent or Guardian: _____ Date: _____
(Print)

Parent or Guardian: _____
(Signature)

Official use Only

FCIC/NCIC	Ofc. Init & Date	DAVID	Ofc. Init & Date
I/LEADS	_____	VIPAR	_____
D.J.J.	_____	Other	_____

1st meeting _____ (date) 2nd meeting _____ (date)
3rd meeting _____ (date) 4th meeting _____ (date)

Checklist:

Due on the second meeting:

A completed application for acceptance

City of St. Petersburg: Resident/Non-Resident Program Registration Application

All the below items must be turned in before acceptance meeting will be held on 4th meeting.

- A copy of the applicant's **most recent** report card. Students in a continuing education program, enrolled in college, homeschool, etc. must show proof of enrollment.
- A letter of recommendation from a person unrelated to the member (i.e. teacher, officer, neighbor, etc.)
- A \$40.00 registration fee (Cash or check made out to: **St. Petersburg Police Public Safety Cadets**)
- Public Safety Cadet Agreement and Legal Waiver Form (separate form)
- St. Petersburg Police Fitness Center Authorization
- Hold-Harmless Agreement for Ride-Along Program
- Hold-Harmless & Medical Release form (must be notarized at Police Department Front Desk)
- Cost Re-imbusement agreement
- Medical Forms. Parts A, B and C are required. Note: Part C must be signed and dated by a Doctor. This form must be completed yearly.
- Most current copy of shot records from a doctor's office
- Copy of medical insurance card (if personal insurance is held)

****NOTE: Fingerprints and a photograph will be obtained after acceptance. This is required to obtain a department ID and access card.****