

Explorer Application Requirements

Applicants Must:

- ✘ Be 14 – 20 years old
- ✘ Be in good physical condition
- ✘ Maintain a “C” average in school
- ✘ Have no serious criminal background
- ✘ Be of good moral character

Successful applicants will be notified of their acceptance and must attend an orientation meeting where they will be formally admitted into the Vernon Hills Police Explorer Program.

Please fill out this section and return it to the Vernon Hills Police Department.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

Zip Code: _____ State: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Vernon Hills Explorer Post #2911

Training to Serve and Protect



Exploring

Take the challenge, become part of a program that will enhance your self-discipline and self-confidence through challenging experiences and high standards of performance and conduct

Take the Challenge!
Be the Best!

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Service & Benefits

The Vernon Hills Police Explorer Post is proud of its exemplary record of service to the Vernon Hills Community. The Explorers assist the police department by providing traffic direction at parades and major functions, as well as assisting with security for the Vernon Hills Summer Celebration. Explorers are also permitted to participate in the Police Department's Ride-Along Program where they can observe police work in the field.



Explorers are also provided with the opportunity to participate in state and national conferences. These week-long annual conferences offer team and individual competitions, training seminars and recreational activities. The conferences allow the Explorers to demonstrate the knowledge and skills they have learned and compete against Explorer Posts from all over Illinois and from around the country.

Explorer Activities

Explorers are trained in various areas of police work during the bi-monthly meetings. Some topics covered are:

- ❖ Accident Investigation
- ❖ Traffic Stops
- ❖ Building Searches
- ❖ Crime Scene Processing
- ❖ Evidence Recovery
- ❖ Traffic Control
- ❖ Domestic Disputes
- ❖ Arrest and Search Techniques
- ❖ Hostage Negotiations
- ❖ C.P.R.
- ❖ And much more....



Explorers are taught these topics by sworn police officers, after which the Explorer is placed into a controlled, supervised scenario that he or she must handle, just as a police officer does on the street.

Law Enforcement Exploring

The Vernon Hills Police Explorer Post is made up of young men and women who are interested in pursuing a career in the law enforcement field. The program introduces youth to police work as well as:

- Provides them with leadership training and experience.
- Promotes character development and builds self-esteem
- Encourages interest and enthusiasm for a career in law enforcement.



The Vernon Hills Police Explorers are sponsored by the Village of Vernon Hills and are chartered by the Boy Scouts of America Exploring Division. There are currently over 50,000 Law Enforcement Explorers nationwide.

Funding

Most of the funding for the Explore Post comes from fund raising projects. These projects allow the Explorer Post to afford uniforms and equipment, as well as cover the expense of attending state and national conferences.