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August 2025

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NEW

***FULL* ~~Ballistic Shield Instructor Course — 40 hour~~**

Plainfield Police Department
14300 Coil Plus Dr., Plainfield, IL.
Monday; July 28, 2025
0800-1600

Joliet Country Club
1009 Spencer Rd.
Tuesday-Friday; July 29-August 1, 2025
0800-1600

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

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| • Const. Use of LE Authority | 1.00 Hour |
| • De-escalation Techniques Based) | 20.50 Hours (17.00 Hours Scenario- |
| • High-Risk Traffic Stops | 6.00 Hours (6.00 Hours Scenario-Based) |
| • Law concerning stops, searches, and the use of force | 1.00 Hour |
| • Officer safety techniques, including cover, concealment, and time Based) | 10.50 Hours (10.50 Hours Scenario- |
| • Specialized: School Resource Officer (SRO) Pre-Qualified | |
| o Active Threat Response Based) | 40.0 Hours (33.50 Hours Scenario- |

Course Description: This 40-hour (5-day) basic Hand Held Ballistic Shield In-House Instructors Course is designed to provide all of the tactical skill sets, printed material, and training outlines required to teach officers, within their own agency, to deploy and utilize a hand held ballistic shield. This course focuses on the ballistic shield and related equipment, training and operational considerations when deploying the shield during law enforcement functions. Topics covered include Stances, Movement, Reload/Malfunction Drills, live fire, basic CQB, perimeter operations, arrest team strategies, building searches and other high-risk patrol operations, Officer/Citizen down rescues, Vehicle clearing/arrest/rescue, and instructor development. The course requires student instructors to learn, practice and demonstrate proficiency in the critical individual and team skill sets required to become certified as a shield operator and teach those skills sets to officers. Student instructors will be required to demonstrate the ability to pass a written test, and teach material from this course.

While not mandatory, it is suggested that departments enroll officers in this program that have previous firearms and/or tactical-related instructor experience. **Students for this program should be selected for the expectation that they will teach or coordinate their agencies in-house Hand Held Ballistic Shield program.**

This is a dynamic, fast-paced course geared towards officers who already have a basic knowledge of firearms handling/deployment and patrol tactics.

***** Students are required to bring a notebook and writing utensil, ear/eye protection, duty leather, pistol, and flashlight, Patrol Rifle if assigned, 300 rounds handgun and 100 rounds long gun ammunition, 100 rounds FX Marking Cartridges and Marking converted weapons, long pants, boots, soft body armor, ballistic shields and helmets (if available), civilian shirt w/no police logos and water to drink during tactical exercises.**

Instructors: Greg Poulos and other ILETSB certified instructors from the Illinois Tactical Officers Association.

Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

(Members have priority in registration)

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~~ILETSB - School Resource Officer Training by Butts~~

~~CANCELLED (low enrollment) Plainfield Police Department~~

~~14300 Coil Plus Dr., Plainfield, IL. 60544~~

~~Monday-Friday, August 4-8, 2025~~

~~8:00 am till 4:00 pm~~

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

• Civil Rights	1.5 Hours
• Const. Use of LE Authority	1.0 Hour
• Crisis Intervention	4.0 Hours
• Cultural Competency	2.5 Hours
• Emergency Medical Response	1.0 Hour (1.0 Hour Scenario-Based)
• Human Rights	0.5 Hour
• Legal Updates	3.0 Hours
• Officer wellness/mental health	1.0 Hour
• Procedural Justice	7.5 Hours
• Psychology of Domestic Violence	0.5 Hour
• Reporting of Child Abuse and Neglect	0.5 Hour
• De-escalation Techniques	3.0 Hours (2.5 Hours Scenario-Based)
• Law concerning stops, searches, and the use of force	1.0 Hour
• Officer safety techniques, including cover, concealment, and time	3.0 Hours (2.5 Hours Scenario-Based)
• Specialized: School Resource Officer (SRO) Pre-Qualified	
○ Active Threat Response	7.0 Hours (6.0 Hours Scenario-Based)
○ Juvenile Law	6.0 Hours
○ Officer & Youth Interaction	8.0 Hours

**** Students MUST bring a laptop or tablet that can utilize a thumb drive, those who do not, will not be allowed to stay for the training. ****

Course Description: This 5-day, 40 hour program has been designed by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board to provide students with the required training in use of police personnel within the school setting in accordance with SB 2925 (PA 100-984). SROs must be police officers of law enforcement agencies who are to serve within a school setting pursuant to a memorandum of understanding between the employing law enforcement agency and a school district within the agency's jurisdiction. Any officer serving in this role as of January 1, 2021 must have a special certification issued by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board ("Board"). Such officers must have attended a special training, or attained a waiver by the Board, before they can serve in this role. **To be eligible for this special certificate, a full-time Illinois law enforcement officer must have been actively employed in a law enforcement position within the state for at least three years (five years for part-time officers) before enrolling in the course or requesting a waiver. Each such officer must also be of sound character, free of disciplinary concerns, and open to working with minors.**

Topics Discussed:

Overview of juvenile law, Juvenile Court Act, role of the juvenile officer, special juvenile considerations, due process for juveniles, detention of juveniles, interrogating juvenile suspects, interviewing juvenile witnesses, rights of parents, SRO introduction, roles of SRO, school structure and hierarchy, school law, adolescent development/teen brain, communication, developing relationships among diverse students, special considerations and disabilities, criminal activity, law enforcement actions in school, ethical concerns, school design and safety, introduction to school threat response, school threat response case studies, role of SRO during a threat, recognizing an active threat, tactical maneuvering on school grounds, solo vs. group response tactics, clearing of school classrooms, identification and response to threat, post event, scenario trainings. (CONTINUED)

Instructors: This course will be taught by a team of Instructors. Lead Instructor, Danielle Butts is the Founder and Executive Director of All Our Children's Advocacy Center. She has been a Forensic Interviewer for 20 years and conducted over 4,000 interviews. Danielle is a member of the Cook County Child Abuse Advisory Board and the Children's Advocacy Center of Illinois Legislative Committee. She has been a law enforcement instructor for over 15 years and currently teaches; Interviewing Children, Juvenile Investigations, Sexual Assault and SRO.

Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

(members have priority in registration)

**This course is grant funded by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board.*

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Criminal Procedure for Detectives and Patrol Officers

Will County Sheriff's Department
16911 W. Laraway Rd., Joliet, IL. 60433
Monday; August 4, 2025
8:00 am till 4:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

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| • Civil Rights | 2.0 Hours |
| • Const. Use of LE Authority | 2.0 Hours |
| • Legal Updates | 4.0 Hours |
| • Lead Homicide Investigator | 8.0 Hours |

Course Description:

This course will assist/inform/update Detectives and Police Officers in the criminal procedure laws as they pertain to criminal investigations. This course examines procedural law, substantive law, case law, and photographic crime scene studies. Actual documented case studies are used to illustrate the current state of our laws.

Topics to be discussed:

- Potential Pitfalls in Criminal Procedure | The sources of Criminal Procedure | Due Process of Law | Miranda | Electronic Recording of Custodial Interrogations | Search and Seizure | Right to Privacy | Police Surveillance | Tracking Devices | Searching Vehicles | Canine Searches | Personal Electronic Devices | The "Plain View" Doctrine | Templates regarding Search Warrants, Phone Pings, etc. | Franks v. Delaware | Anticipatory Search Warrants | Securing Buildings | Knock and Announce laws/issues/updates | The Fifth Amendment | Terry Stops | Identification Procedures (Lineups, Photo Arrays, and Showups) | Illinois Supreme Court Rule 3.6 (What An Officer Can and Cannot Say)

Instructor: Jeffrey J. Pavletic is an award-winning trial attorney who has built a reputation of integrity and exceptional skill in the courtroom. As a prosecutor for the past two decades, he has tried countless cases to victory (including approximately 150 jury trials with a concentration in homicide and violent crime). In addition to trying some of the highest profile and complex cases that have occurred in the history of Northern Illinois, Jeff was Chief of the Felony Review Division, and is currently the First Assistant State's Attorney for the Lake County (Illinois) State's Attorney's Office. Jeff served as Special Counsel to the U.S. House of Representatives Judiciary Committee in the impeachment of President Clinton. His duties included all aspects of independent counsel review, the impeachment inquiry, presentation of articles of impeachment to the U.S. House of Representatives, all witness interviews and depositions of trial witnesses, and the actual impeachment trial before the U.S. Senate. Jeff has received numerous federal, state, and local awards. These include Illinois State Crime Commission's State's Attorney of the Year, Felony Trial Attorney of the Year, The Fred L. Foreman Criminal Justice Award, The Ruth Rosengarden Victim Service provider Award, and a special U.S. House of Representatives Award presented by Congressman Henry Hyde. (continued)

Jeff has been featured on 20/20, The Today Show, Good Morning America, Court TV, and the Discovery Channel. Jeff is a published author and a well-respected legal instructor who holds undergraduate and graduate faculty positions and has received accolades as a nationally renowned lecturer, training thousands of police officers, lawyers, prosecutors, and judges.

Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

(Members receive priority registration)

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BUILDING A BETTER POLICE REPORT

Lockport Police Department

1212 South Farrell Rd., Lockport, IL. 60441

Wednesday; August 6, 2025

8:00 am till 4:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

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| • Const. Use of LE Authority | 0.5 Hour |
| • Procedural Justice | 3.0 Hours |
| • Psychology of Domestic Violence | 2.0 Hours |
| • Use of Force (General) | 1.0 Hour |
| • Lead Homicide Investigator | 8.0 Hours |

Course Description:

This 8- hour course will focus on enhancing an officer's report writing skills so that he or she may better submit clear, accurate, concise, and detailed primary case reports. Emphasis will be placed on detailing probable cause for an arrest, better providing investigators with essentials in primary reports so that follow-up may become more efficient and enhancing case building in a way that will aid prosecutorial success. The course will examine some of the top failure points of poorly written reports as seen by shift supervisors, and then provide a blueprint to organization to better build reports for the future. Added emphasis will be placed on the additional care and challenges presented when preparing initial reports for Domestic Violence, Criminal Sexual Assault, and when an officer has had to apply physical force in the field. This course is geared to both newer patrol officers who may be developing report writing experience, as well as those veteran officers who might benefit from enhancing their report writing skills. Learning will be done through both lecture and a practical writing lab. Students are encouraged to bring a laptop computer with Microsoft Word installed.

Topics to be discussed:

- Developing a winning mindset for proper report writing- Why it is THAT important!
- Top areas of report failure and how to correct them before you commit them
- Eliminating the "Cliffhangers" and communicating to your overall audience (cops, courts, lawyers, and social services)
- Implementing a fool-proof "Blueprint" for organizing any report, every time
- Making the link from describing events to establishing why actions were taken
- Strategy for reviewing reports prior to submitting them
- Challenges in preparing a primary Domestic Violence Report
- Challenges in preparing a primary Sexual Assault Report
- Documenting your use of force within your report

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Instructor: Sergeant Phelan is a 22- year veteran of the Lockport Police Department, and a patrol Sergeant for the last 9. He graduated from the University of Illinois- Chicago earning a BA in Criminal Justice. He is also a graduate of the NUCPS School of Staff and Command. In addition to his formal education, he has served his department by managing the crime prevention/community outreach program where he was responsible for DARE, GREAT, community outreach, as well as writing and implementing a curriculum for his department's Citizen's Police Academy.

He was also the primary grant writer for Lockport in obtaining the Bureau of Justice Assistance's (BJA) Gang Resistance Education Grant, COPS Hiring Grant, Illinois Tobacco Enforcement Reimbursement Grant, and the Illinois Department of Transportation's Traffic Safety Grant. Those roles included the added responsibility of submitting grant proposals, timely progress reports, and preparing follow-up press-releases. He currently is the department's Field Training Manager where he is responsible for assisting in the selection of FTOs and reviewing the overall progress of recruits through the daily submitted observation reports.

Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

(members receive priority)

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Duty Pistol Optics – Red Dot Sights Armorer Law Enforcement Duty Handgun Skills

Will County Sheriff's Office

16911 W. Laraway Rd., Joliet, IL 60433

RANGE BUILDING – S/E Corner of rear parking lot

Thursday; August 7, 2025

10:00 am till 6:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

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| • De-escalation Techniques | 3.5 Hours (2.0 Hours Scenario-Based) |
| • Officer safety techniques, including cover, concealment, and time | 2.5 Hours (2.0 Hours Scenario-Based) |

Course Description

This one-day course of instruction focuses on the mechanics of installing the duty handgun Red Dot Sights (RDS) - pistol optic and the related shooting skills that may be required of law enforcement officers in their duties. Lawful and justifiable use of force actions by police officers are vital to citizen and officer safety and effectiveness. Community confidence and trust in law enforcement is vital and to gain that trust, the use of force, most importantly deadly force, by police officers must be lawful, justifiable, skillful, and effective when confronted by highly violent criminal offenders.

The following items **MUST be brought to this course:**

- Soft Body Armor (MANDATORY)
- Handgun with optic to be installed or pistol/optic combination that can be mounted and remounted to get the full benefit of the hands-on mechanical portion of the class.
- Full duty belt with holster that fits the pistol with dot optic, and magazine pouches.
- Weather appropriate clothing – this is a partially covered outdoor range.
- Hydration – drinks for warm weather
- Eye and ear protection
- Billed Ball Cap
- Cleaning kit
- 300 rounds pistol ammunition
- Note-taking materials
- If you are using new handguns or mounting new optics and have questions as to gear or optics, contact Jeff Chudwin at JLCJD@aol.com



ALL IS MANDATORY

Law enforcement agencies must carefully select individuals who are to be utilized as firearms armorers. Only personnel who are willing to exercise patience, good judgment, safety consciousness, and a willingness to document and record their armorer activities should be considered for the position of firearms armorers. The goal of this course is to enhance the student officers' abilities to properly mount the duty handgun RDS – pistol optic and to effectively employ the duty handgun and optic during their law enforcement duties.

Instructors: Jeff Chudwin, Kimberly Heath-Chudwin, and Daryl Howell

Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

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Acting Patrol Officer in Charge

Mokena Police Department

10300 W. 191st St., Mokena, IL. 60448

Thursday & Friday; August 7-8, 2025

8:00 am till 4:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

• Civil Rights	1.0 Hour
• Const. Use of LE Authority	1.0 Hour
• Crisis Intervention	2.0 Hours
• Cultural Competency	3.0 Hours
• Human Rights	0.5 Hour
• Legal Updates	1.0 Hour
• Officer wellness/mental health	0.5 Hour
• Procedural Justice	4.0 Hours
• Use of Force	1.0 Hour

Course Description:

This training program is designed to meet the practical needs of uniformed patrol officers who have supervisory responsibilities and will challenge them to evaluate their leadership styles. The management of numerous patrol challenges will be discussed in a highly interactive setting with safe and proper response to situations being the main theme of this program. Patrol Officers who serve as Officers-in-Charge, Field Training Officers, and newly appointed Sergeants would all benefit from this program.

Topics will include:

- ***Procedural Challenges***
Jurisdiction-discipline-use of force-death notification-hostage/barricaded subject-
Psychiatric emergencies-domestic violence-vehicle pursuits-active assailant-
Reporting unusual occurrence to command staff and many others
- ***Initial Response to Unusual or Violent Deaths***
Crime scene integrity
Search and seizure issues
Identify -- Who, When, Where, What, Why, and How
- ***Response to Critical Incidents***
Command station
Setting up perimeters
Manpower, time, equipment
- ***Case Studies***
Identifying leadership styles
Decision making process
Alternate course of action

Instructor: Brian Galske, Commander of Operations, Chicago Ridge P.D. (Ret.)

Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

(Members receive priority)

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FULL ~~Advanced Solo Officer School Threat Scenario Training for SROs and Responding Officers Butts~~

~~Plainfield Police Department~~

~~14300 Coil Plus Dr., Plainfield, IL. 60544~~

~~Monday, August 11, 2025~~

~~8:00 am till 4:00 pm~~

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This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

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| • Crisis Intervention | 0.5 Hour |
| • Emergency Medical Response | 1.0 Hour (1.0 Hour Scenario-Based) |
| • Officer wellness/mental health | 0.5 Hour |
| • Procedural Justice | 0.5 Hour |
| • De-escalation Techniques | 4.0 Hours (4.0 Hours Scenario-Based) |
| • Officer safety techniques, including cover, concealment, and time | 1.5 Hours (1.0 Hour Scenario-Based) |
| • Specialized: School Resource Officer (SRO) Pre-Qualified | |
| ○ Active Threat Response | 8.0 Hours (6.0 Hours Scenario-Based) |

**** SRO's will be given priority in registration. ****

Course Description: This is an 8-hour scenario-based class specifically designed for SRO's and Officers responding to active school threats. This class will focus on building tactical skills when responding to an active school threat. Students will also review optional medical responses for injuries. This course will focus on solo officer actions during a school threat response. Students will participate in guided discussions/lectures, interactive activities, and performance-based exercises. Course Goals Build and enhance SRO's and responding officers' tactical skills for active school, threat responses as the initial officer on scene. This scenario-based course will focus primarily on the initial solo response.

Instructors: This course will be taught by a team of Instructors. Lead Instructor, Danielle Butts is the Founder and Executive Director of All Our Children's Advocacy Center. She has been a Forensic Interviewer for 20 years and conducted over 4,000 interviews. Danielle is a member of the Cook County Child Abuse Advisory Board and the Children's Advocacy Center of Illinois Legislative Committee. She has been a law enforcement instructor for over 15 years and currently teaches; Interviewing Children, Juvenile Investigations, Sexual Assault and SRO.

Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

(members have priority in registration)

**This course is grant funded by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board/SRO Grant.*

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The Legal & Justifiable Use of Force - Pavletic

Will County Sheriff's Department

16911 W. Laraway Rd., Joliet, IL. 60433

Monday; August 11, 2025

8:00 am till 4:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

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| • Const. Use of LE Authority | 1.0 Hour |
| • Legal Updates | 1.0 Hour |
| • Procedural Justice | 1.0 Hour |
| • Law concerning stops, searches, and the use of force | 5.0 Hours |
| • Specialized: Lead Homicide Investigator | 8.0 Hours |

Course Description: This course will focus on police officer use of force considerations in on-duty and off-duty scenarios. Practical use of force issues will be examined by viewing actual videos from live police use of force encounters and discussing the officer's decisions in those instances. The course will review U.S. Supreme Court cases, Federal Court decisions, Illinois statutes and case law, and what our courts specifically look for in police use of force situations. The course will also address use of force occurrences, ranging from crimes in progress to the use of force in medical emergencies. The material will consider use of force from an officer's perspective: pre-assault indicators, force options that may be utilized, the use of intermediate weapons, permitted uses of force, prohibited uses of force, and the deadly use of force. Instruction will include proper documentation, Qualified Immunity, Garrity issues, and the Illinois Uniform Peace Officer's Disciplinary Act. The program will conclude with a discussion of the "10 Myths of Police Use of Force."

Topics Discussed:

- Video analysis of actual police use of force events and decision making
- Use of force during crimes in progress; offenders fleeing a crime scene; medical emergencies
- Use of force where offender is neither evading arrest nor committing a crime
- Review of Illinois, Federal, and U.S. Supreme Court cases regarding police use of force
- What our courts consider when evaluating an officer's use of force
- Pre-assault indicators; force options; quantum of force; use of intermediate weapons
- Acceptable methods of force; unacceptable methods of force; use of deadly force
- Documenting an officer's use of force
- Probable cause and Qualified Immunity; Garrity issues
- The Illinois Uniform Peace Officer's Disciplinary Act
- "The 10 Myths of Police Use of Force"

Instructor: Jeffrey J. Pavletic is an award-winning trial attorney who has built a reputation of integrity and exceptional skill in the courtroom. As a prosecutor for the past two decades, he has tried countless cases to victory (including approximately 150 jury trials with a concentration in homicide and violent crime). In addition to trying some of the highest profile and complex cases that have occurred in the history of Northern Illinois, Jeff was Chief of the Felony Review Division, and is currently the First Assistant State's Attorney for the Lake County (Illinois) State's Attorney's Office. Jeff served as Special Counsel to the U.S. House of Representatives Judiciary Committee in the impeachment of President Clinton. (continued next page)

His duties included all aspects of independent counsel review, the impeachment inquiry, presentation of articles of impeachment to the U.S. House of Representatives, all witness interviews and depositions of trial witnesses, and the actual impeachment trial before the U.S. Senate. Jeff has received numerous federal, state, and local awards.

These include Illinois State Crime Commission's State's Attorney of the Year, Felony Trial Attorney of the Year, The Fred L. Foreman Criminal Justice Award, The Ruth Rosengarden Victim Service provider Award, and a special U.S. House of Representatives Award presented by Congressman Henry Hyde. Jeff has been featured on 20/20, The Today Show, Good Morning America, Court TV, and the Discovery Channel. Jeff is a published author and a well-respected legal instructor who holds undergraduate and graduate faculty positions and has received accolades as a nationally renowned lecturer, training thousands of police officers, lawyers, prosecutors, and judges.

Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

(Members receive priority)

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Sexual Assault Investigator Training (Day-2)

Attendees must have previously completed the Initial Responders 8-hour in person or 8-hour online class to attend

New Lenox Police Department
200 Veterans Parkway, New Lenox, IL. 60451
Friday; August 15, 2025
8:00 am till 4:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

• Civil Rights	0.5 Hour
• Const. Use of LE Authority	0.5 Hour
• Cultural Competency	0.5 Hour
• Human Rights	0.5 Hour
• Legal Updates	0.5 Hour
• Procedural Justice	0.5 Hour
• Psychology of Domestic Violence	1.0 Hour
• Sexual Assault Trauma Informed Response	4.0 Hours
• Lead Homicide Investigator	8.0 Hours
• Sexual Assault Investigator Training	8.0 Hours

**** Students are encouraged to bring a laptop or tablet that can utilize a thumb drive; paper copies of the materials will not be provided. ****

Course Description: This course will meet all the requirements of the Sexual Assault Incident Procedure Act (Public Act 099-0801) which was enacted January 1, 2017. This Act requires all agencies employing law enforcement officers who conduct sexual assault and abuse investigations be required to provide specialized training within 2 years (January 1, 2019) of the effective date of this act. The act also requires that agencies present training to all law enforcement officers who are initial responders within 3 years (January 1, 2020) of the effective date of this act.

Instructor:

Commander John Arizzi has worked for the Lockport Police Department since 2005. He is the Investigations Commander and currently serving as a Division Commander in the Will/Grundy Major Crimes Task Force. John is a former Deputy Director of the Metro Area Narcotics Squad and has worked undercover for both state and federal authorities. John is also an FBI certified crisis negotiator and served on the Will County SWAT team. John holds a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice from Benedictine University.

Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

(Members receive priority)

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Non-Escalation & De-Escalation Scenario Based Training

Plainfield Police Department

14300 Coil Plus Dr., Plainfield, IL. 60544

Wednesday; August 20, 2025

8:00 am till 4:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

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| • De-escalation Techniques | 5.0 Hours (5.0 Hours Scenario-Based) |
| • Law concerning stops, searches, and the use of force | 1.0 Hour (0.5 Hour Scenario-Based) |
| • Officer safety techniques, including cover, concealment, and time | 1.0 Hour (0.5 Hour Scenario-Based) |

Course Description:

This comprehensive course offers a deep exploration of the proper use of force for officers, as well as the essential knowledge and practical skills in non-escalation and de-escalation as force alternatives. Participants will engage in stimulating lectures, hands-on activities, and interactive discussions, fostering a holistic understanding of the material and its real-world implications. Officers will have the opportunity to apply their learning in practical scenarios, honing their problem-solving abilities and critical thinking skills.

Instructor:

Dr. Michael Schlosser retired as the Director of the Police Training Institute at the University of Illinois, after 20 years of service – nine years as an instructor and eleven years as Director. He holds a Master's Degree in Public Administration from Governor's State University, a Master's Degree in Legal Studies from the University of Illinois-Springfield, and a Doctorate in Education from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. He retired as a Lieutenant from the Rantoul Illinois Police Department after 20 years of service. During that time, he held positions as field training officer, field training supervisor, detective, juvenile officer, wellness director, control tactics instructor, and canine supervisor. When he became the director of PTI in 2012, he continued to teach the courses he was passionate about, including de-escalation training, arrest and control tactics, and police officer wellness. Dr. Schlosser is credited for groundbreaking efforts toward police reform through implementation of innovative curricula for improving police practices. His overall emphasis is on de-escalation training, community policing, and intensive integrated scenario-based training. Dr. Schlosser, through PTI, has been involved in numerous research projects in collaboration with various colleges at the University of Illinois. Dr. Schlosser has authored dozens of articles, is co-author of the book *The POWER Manual: a Step-by-Step Guide to Improving Police Officer Wellness, Ethics, and Resilience*, made numerous radio and television appearances, and given over 200 presentations across the country on topics such as community policing, police tactics, police training, use of force, de-escalation techniques, control and arrest tactics, the intersection of police and race, diversity, police officer wellness, police family wellness, and various other topics related to American law enforcement.

Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

(members have priority in registration)

**This course is grant funded by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board.*

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Writing Effective Search Warrants, Report Writing & Effective Courtroom Testimony

New Lenox Police Department

200 Veterans Parkway, New Lenox, IL. 60451

Monday; August 25, 2025

8:00 am till 4:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

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| • Civil Rights | 3.0 Hours |
| • Const. Use of LE Authority | 3.0 Hours |
| • Legal Updates | 2.0 Hours |
| • Lead Homicide Investigator | 8.0 Hours |

Course Description:

This multi-disciplinary training course for law enforcement officers will cover specific detailed writing for search warrants from drafting affidavits to testifying a suppression hearing. This course will also cover the do's and don'ts of writing police reports to avoid problems in court. Finally, this course will teach officers how to properly prepare for court and present physical and testimonial evidence at trial.

Topics to be discussed:

SEARCH WARRANTS: ➤ Drafting Affidavit ➤ Informant Affidavit's ➤ Hearsay ➤ John Doe Warrants ➤ Descriptions of places-persons-items to be searched ➤ Probable Cause ➤ Anticipatory Search Warrants Mandates: Civil Rights, Constitutional Use of Law Enforcement Authority & Legal Updates ➤ Misrepresentation of Facts ➤ Omissions ➤ Discovery ➤ Judicial Approval ➤ Telephone corrections ➤ Execution ➤ Timelines ➤ Knock & Announce/No Knock Warrants ➤ Warrant Executed at Wrong Address ➤ Inventory & Return

REPORT WRITING: ➤ Supreme Court Rule 412 - Disclosure ➤ Supreme Court Rule 415 - Duty to Disclose ➤ Officer Personnel Files ➤ Dangers of Poor Report Writing ➤ Keys to Well-Written Report ➤ Report Checklist

COURTROOM TESTIMONY: ➤ The New Orleans Story ➤ Attorneys Rules and Ethics ➤ Understanding Defense Attorneys ➤ How to Prepare for Your Testimony ➤ How to Testify at Trial ➤ Cross Examination ➤ What Not To Do

Instructor: Jeffrey J. Pavletic is an award-winning trial attorney who has built a reputation of integrity and exceptional skill in the courtroom. As a prosecutor for the past two decades, he has tried countless cases to victory (including approximately 150 jury trials with a concentration in homicide and violent crime). In addition to trying some of the highest profile and complex cases that have occurred in the history of Northern Illinois, Jeff was Chief of the Felony Review Division, and is currently the First Assistant State's Attorney for the Lake County (Illinois) State's Attorney's Office. Jeff served as Special Counsel to the U.S. House of Representatives Judiciary Committee in the impeachment of President Clinton. (CONTINUED)

His duties included all aspects of independent counsel review, the impeachment inquiry, presentation of articles of impeachment to the U.S. House of Representatives, all witness interviews and depositions of trial witnesses, and the actual impeachment trial before the U.S. Senate. Jeff has received numerous federal, state, and local awards. These include Illinois State Crime Commission's State's Attorney of the Year, Felony Trial Attorney of the Year, The Fred L. Foreman Criminal Justice Award, The Ruth Rosengarden Victim Service provider Award, and a special U.S. House of Representatives Award presented by Congressman Henry Hyde. Jeff has been featured on 20/20, The Today Show, Good Morning America, Court TV, and the Discovery Channel. Jeff is a published author and a well-respected legal instructor who holds undergraduate and graduate faculty positions and has received accolades as a nationally renowned lecturer, training thousands of police officers, lawyers, prosecutors, and judges.

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