



Q & A

Thank you for your interest in joining the Westerville Division of Police (WPD). Find more information on testing dates and hiring information at www.westerville.org/joinWPD.

How do I apply for a job with WPD?

You must first apply and test through the National Testing Network. You must also submit an application on the City's website at www.westerville.org.

Do you take applications submitted after the hiring date?

No. Recruitment takes place only once a year.

Is prior experience in Law Enforcement required?

Preferred, but not required.

Are lateral transfers accepted?

Not at this time.

I am already certified in the state of Ohio, will I have to attend a training academy?

No.

What are the department's residency requirements?

None.

Do I need to schedule a ride-along?

A ride-along will be offered to applicants during the hiring process. It is not required but highly recommended. *(Ride-Alongs are currently suspended due to COVID)*

Who do I contact if I have an address or phone number change?

Please contact Human Resources at (614) 901-6400.

Do you have Veteran Preference Points?

No. We do not have points in our hiring process.

How do I withdraw my application?

Please contact Human Resources at (614) 901-6400.

How do I find the status of my application?

Please contact Human Resources at (614)901-6400.

Can I submit a paper application?

No, an application must be submitted online via NeoGov on the City's website.

Is there an exam fee?

Yes, there is a fee set by National testing Network.

Is the Academy a live-in or daily commute?

We send our employees to the Columbus Police Academy, which is not a live-in Academy.

Will I be paid while attending the Academy?

Yes, you will be hired as a full-time employee before you start the Police Academy. As a full-time employee, you also would be eligible to enroll in health insurance.

How long is the academy?

Candidates should expect to be in the Academy for approximately six months.

Does the department offer any study guides for testing?

National Testing Network offers a practice test.