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NEW BERN CITIZEN'S POLICE ACADEMY KICKS OFF IN OCTOBER

The New Bern Police Department will host its eleventh Citizen's Police Academy beginning Tuesday, October 20, 2009.

The Citizen's Police Academy provides a first-hand look into the life and work of a police officer. Participants learn how to get involved in creating a safer community and find this special training program to be informative and entertaining.

This is a rare opportunity for citizens to experience real-life law enforcement and learn how and why police officers perform daily duties. Class participants even get the chance to ride along with officers on patrol.

The Citizen's Police Academy will educate students about the policies and procedures of the department, as well as discuss how the court system and Constitution affect police officer's decisions.

The academy creates open dialogue between citizens and officers who sit down and discuss common problems in the community as well as examine possible solutions. Once you become a member of the Citizens Police Academy, you may graduate, but you are always a part of the New Bern Police Department family. We encourage alumni to keep an active relationship with the department to help make New Bern a safer community for everyone.

The Academy will be held at the New Bern Police Department's sub-station at the New Bern Mall, every Tuesday evening from 6 p.m. until 10 p.m. for ten weeks. There are some activities scheduled for a couple of Saturdays during the program. A graduation ceremony will be held in December.

Media is invited to attend any or all sessions of the Citizens Police Academy.

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