

# Teague Police Department

## Citizen Police Academy Application Submission Instructions

### Application Deadline

Applications are due by Friday, August 7, 2026.

### Academy Information

<b>First Class</b>	Tuesday, August 25, 2026
<b>Class Time</b>	Tuesdays, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
<b>Final Class</b>	Tuesday, October 27, 2026, 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
<b>Location</b>	Teague Community Center
<b>Coordinator</b>	Teague PD Command Staff

### How to Submit

Applications may be mailed or dropped off to:

**Teague Police Department**  
**315 Main Street**  
**Teague, Texas 75860**

A mail slot/drop box is available at the entrance for after-hours drop off.

### Online Application Option

An online application may also be made available through Microsoft Forms. Insert the Microsoft Forms link here when established:

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### Important Reminders

- Submitting an application does not guarantee acceptance.
- Applicants must be at least 18 years old and must be a City of Teague resident, Teague business owner, or City employee.
- All applicants must complete an application and background check before acceptance.
- Ride-alongs are not included due to CJIS restrictions and operational limitations.
- Participant weapons are not permitted during academy sessions.

This cover sheet is followed by the fillable Citizen Police Academy application packet.



## Application Instructions and Program Overview

Complete all sections. Submitting an application does not guarantee acceptance.

### Program Overview

The Teague Police Department Citizen Police Academy is a 10-week educational program designed to provide approved participants with a better understanding of police operations, patrol response, report writing, criminal investigations, evidence handling, prosecution, courtroom procedures, and the role of law enforcement within the community.

The academy is an educational program only. Participation does not grant police authority, access to restricted law enforcement systems, access to confidential information, employment status, volunteer status, or any special privilege.

### Eligibility

- Applicants must be at least 18 years of age.
- Participation is limited to City of Teague residents, Teague business owners, or City employees.
- Class size is limited to a maximum of 20 participants.
- All applicants must complete an application and submit to a background check before acceptance.

### Program Notices

- Ride-alongs are not included due to CJIS restrictions and operational limitations.
- Participant weapons are not permitted during academy sessions.
- Participants must attend at least 8 of the 10 scheduled classes to be eligible for graduation.
- Applicants, waitlisted applicants, and approved participants must notify the department if submitted information changes or if any event occurs.

### Application Return Information

Application Deadline:

Return To:

Questions / Contact:

## Citizen Police Academy Application

Applicant information and eligibility category

### Applicant Information

Full Legal Name

Preferred Name

Date of Birth

Driver License / State ID No.

Issuing State

Phone Number

Email Address

Home Address

City

State

Zip

### Eligibility Category

I am a City of Teague resident.

I am a Teague business owner.

I am a City employee.

Business Name, if applicable

Business Address, if applicable

City Department, if applicable

### Emergency Contact

Name

Relationship

Phone Number

Alternate Phone Number

## Application Questions

Prior participation, reason for applying, and background information

### Prior Citizen Academy Participation

Have you previously attended a Citizen Police Academy or similar public safety academy?

Yes

No

If yes, list agency and year:

### Reason for Applying

Please briefly explain why you want to attend the Teague Police Department Citizen Police Academy:

### Criminal History and Background Information

Answer each question truthfully. A yes answer does not automatically disqualify an applicant; however, failure to disclose information may result in denial or removal from the academy.

Do you currently have any active warrants?

Yes

No

Have you ever been convicted of a felony offense?

Yes

No

Have you ever been convicted of a Class A or Class B misdemeanor?

Yes

No

Are you currently on probation, deferred adjudication, parole, or pretrial release?

Yes

No

Have you ever been arrested or charged with an offense involving family violence, assault, theft, fraud, drugs, weapons, or a crime of dishonesty?

Yes

No

If you answered yes to any question above, explain:

## Applicant Acknowledgment

Initial each statement by checking the box, then sign below.

### Acknowledgment Statements

- I am applying to participate in the Teague Police Department Citizen Police Academy.
- I understand that submitting an application does not guarantee acceptance.
- I understand that a background check is required before acceptance.
- I understand that false, incomplete, or misleading information may result in denial or removal from the academy.
- I understand attendance is limited to City of Teague residents, Teague business owners, or City employees.
- I understand I must attend at least 8 of the 10 scheduled classes to be eligible for graduation.
- I understand ride-alongs are not part of the academy.
- I understand participant weapons are not permitted during academy sessions.
- I agree to follow all safety instructions, academy rules, and directions given by Teague Police Department staff.
- I understand the department may deny or remove an applicant or participant when necessary to protect the safety, integrity, reputation, or purpose of the academy.

### Applicant Signature

Applicant Signature / Typed Name

Printed Name

Date

## Background Check Authorization

Required before acceptance into the academy

### Authorization

I authorize the Teague Police Department to conduct a background check for the purpose of determining my eligibility to participate in the Teague Police Department Citizen Police Academy.

I understand this background check may include a review of criminal history, warrants, local police contacts, and other information relevant to academy participation.

I understand that information obtained during the background check will be used only for determining eligibility for the Citizen Police Academy and will not be released except as permitted or required by law.

I understand that I may be denied participation based on active warrants, disqualifying criminal history, false information, safety concerns, failure to meet eligibility requirements, or other circumstances that could negatively affect the academy.

Full Legal Name

Date of Birth

Driver License / State ID Number

Issuing State

### Signature

Applicant Signature / Typed Name

Printed Name

Date

## Participant Agreement and Photo/Media Release

To be completed by all applicants

### Participant Agreement

If accepted into the Citizen Police Academy, I agree to attend scheduled classes, arrive on time, treat instructors and participants respectfully, follow all safety instructions, wear appropriate clothing, refrain from disruptive conduct, refrain from unauthorized recording, refrain from bringing weapons, respect the privacy of others, avoid sharing sensitive or restricted information, and understand that participation does not make me an employee, volunteer officer, reserve officer, agent, or representative of the Teague Police Department.

Participant Signature / Typed Name

Printed Name

Date

### Photo and Media Release

I authorize the City of Teague and the Teague Police Department to photograph, video record, or otherwise capture my image during Citizen Police Academy activities. I understand these images or recordings may be used for department publications, city publications, social media, website posts, news releases, or other public information purposes related to the Citizen Police Academy.

I authorize photo/video use.

I do not authorize photo/video use, unless required for official academy records.

Applicant Signature / Typed Name

Printed Name

Date

## Liability / Safety Acknowledgment and Department Use Only

### Liability and Safety Acknowledgment

I understand that the Citizen Police Academy may include classroom instruction, demonstrations, facility tours, scenario discussions, and other public safety-related activities. I understand that I am responsible for following all safety instructions given by Teague Police Department personnel, city staff, instructors, or presenters. I understand that failure to follow safety instructions may result in immediate removal from the academy. I acknowledge that participation is voluntary.

Applicant Signature / Typed Name

Printed Name

Date

### Department Use Only

Date Received

Received By

Eligibility Verified:

Resident

Business owner

City employee

Not eligible

Background Check Completed:

Yes

No

Completed By

Date Completed

Application Status:

Approved

Denied

Waitlist

Withdrawn

Reason for Denial / Notes

Chief or Designee Approval

Date