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Vestal Youth Police Academy kicks off on Monday, July 10

In partnership with the Vestal Police Department, the Vestal High School will offer its annual Youth Police Academy to area students in grades 8 - 12. This year's Academy will focus on offering workshops and other training to middle school students from July 10 – 14, 2023. The schedule for Academy cadets in high school will be July 17 – 28. This is the 11th year for the Youth Police Academy, a leadership-based program hosted on the Vestal High School campus.

Cadets begin each day with physical fitness training, and then engage in workshops and presentations. Demonstrations and interactive scenarios include active listening, defensive training, drug and alcohol prevention, first aid, team-building and more. In addition to instruction by officers from the Vestal Police Department, cadets will be instructed by SWAT, CSI, K9, National Guard and other trainers. This year's academy, coordinated by Vestal Central Schools' SRO Conor Talbut, will also include educational sessions by STOP-DWI, LifeNet, Vestal Fire and Vestal EMS representatives.

Media representatives are invited on campus during the following dates and times to observe and interview YPA instructors and participating students:

July 10 (Middle School schedule)

Session Topic:	Orientation/Team Building	Time: 10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Session Topic:	Police Academy presentation	1 – 2 p.m.

July 11 (MS)

Session Topic:	K9 Officer Demonstration	Time: 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Session Topic:	Traffic Stops	1 – 3 p.m.

July 12 (MS)

Session Topic:	Crime Scene Demonstration	Time: 1 – 3 p.m.
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July 13 (MS)

Session Topic:	Defensive Tactics	Time: 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Session Topic:	Interactive Scenarios	1 – 3 p.m.

July 14 (MS)

Session Topic:	Physical Training Final	Time: 10 – 11 a.m.
Session Topic:	First Aid/Stop the Bleed	11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
- - - -	MS Graduation	1 p.m.

July 17 (High School schedule)

Session Topic:	Orientation	Time: 10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Session Topic:	National Guard presentation	1 – 3 p.m.

July 18 (HS)

Session Topic:	STOP-DWI presentation	Time: 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Session Topic:	Fire & EMS	1 – 3 p.m.

July 19 (HS)

Session Topic:	LifeNet presentation	Time: 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Session Topic:	First Aid/Stop the Bleed	1 – 3 p.m.

July 20 (HS)

Session Topic:	Courtroom Scenarios	Time: 1 – 3 p.m.
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July 21 (HS)

Session Topic:	Defensive Tactics	Time: 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Session Topic:	Defensive Tactics' Scenarios	1 – 3 p.m.

July 25 (HS)

Session Topic:	K9 Officer Demonstration	Time: 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Session Topic:	Crime Scene presentation	1 – 3 p.m.

July 26 (HS)

Session Topic:	DEC presentation	Time: 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Session Topic:	Mock Crime Scene practices	1 – 3 p.m.

July 27 (HS)

Session Topic:	Traffic Stops	Time: 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Session Topic:	Scenarios	1 – 3 p.m.

July 28 (HS)

- - - - - **HS GRADUATION** - - - - - Approx. Noon

NOTE: This schedule is subject to change. If you are interested in covering any of these sessions, please notify Regina Felice in the Public Information Office so that you can be advised of any schedule updates.