



LAW & PUBLIC SERVICE

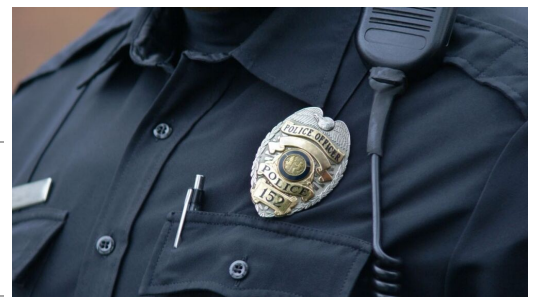
The Law & Public Service Career Cluster focuses on planning, managing, and providing legal services, public safety, protective services, and homeland security, including professional and technical support services. Students will examine the roles and responsibilities of police, courts, corrections, private security, and fire and emergency services.

Law Enforcement

The Law Enforcement program of study focuses on occupational and educational opportunities associated with the development and enforcement of laws by various branches of law enforcement. This program of study includes understanding the appropriate and legal responses to breaches in the law according to statutory rules and regulations as well as the investigation of how and why the breaches occurred.

Law Enforcement Course Pathway

Investigation	◆ Law Enforcement I
Navigation	◆ Law Enforcement II
Preparation	◆ Forensic Science ◆ Counseling & Mental Health
Application	◆ Criminal Investigation ◆ Career Preparation for Program of Study



ALIGNED ENDORSEMENT: Successful completion of the Law Enforcement program of study fulfills the requirements of the Public Services endorsement.

ALIGNED OCCUPATIONS

Police & Sheriff's Patrol Officers

- ◆ Median Wage: \$64,373
- ◆ Annual Openings: 5,424
- ◆ 10-year Growth: 13%

Detectives & Criminal Investigators

- ◆ Median Wage: \$82,090
- ◆ Annual Openings: 1,536
- ◆ 10-year Growth: 8%

Front Line Supervisors of Police & Detectives

- ◆ Median Wage: \$97,571
- ◆ Annual Openings: 5,461
- ◆ 10-year Growth: 12%

WORK-BASED LEARNING

- ◆ Intern in a dispatch department
- ◆ Shadow a detective

EXPANDED LEARNING

- ◆ Visit a police department
- ◆ SkillsUSA or TSA participation

INDUSTRY-BASED CERTIFICATIONS

- ◆ Non-Commissioned Security Officer Level II License

POSTSECONDARY LEARNING

Apprenticeships

- ◆ Security Specialist

Associate Degrees

- ◆ Criminal Justice/Police Science
- ◆ Criminalistics & Criminal Science

Bachelor's Degrees

- ◆ Forensic Science & Technology
- ◆ Criminalistics & Criminal Science

Master's, Doctoral, & Prof. Degrees

- ◆ Criminal Justice
- ◆ Law Enforcement Admin.
- ◆ Securities Services Admin./Mgmt.

Stackable IBCs/Licensures

- ◆ County Jailer
- ◆ Telecommunicator



Law Enforcement Course Details

COURSE	GRADE LEVEL	PREREQUISITES	COURSE CODE BISD CODE COURSE CREDIT	ALIGNED IBC	CAMPUS
Law Enforcement I (Level 2)	9-12	None	13029300 27425 1 credit		BHS LBHS
Law Enforcement II (Level 3)	10-12	Law Enforcement I	13029400 27430 1 credit	Non-Commissioned Security Officer Level II	BHS LBHS
Counseling & Mental Health* (Level 3)	11-12	Recommended pre- requisite: Principles of Human Services or Principles of Law, Public Safety, Corrections & Security	13024600 27580 1 credit		BHS LBHS
Forensic Science (Level 4) (Satisfies a science requirement)	11-12	Biology Chemistry, IPC, or Physics	13029500 27415 1 credit		BHS LBHS
Criminal Investigation (Level 2)	12	Forensic Science Recommended pre- requisite: Law 1	13029550 27440 1 credit	Non-Commissioned Security Officer Level II	BHS LBHS
Career Prep for Program of Study* (Level 4) (Related job placement Required—10 hrs/wk)	12	2+ courses for 2+ credits (with level 2 or higher course) in aligned POS	12701121 27516 2 credits		BHS LBHS
Ext. Career Prep for Program of Study* (Level 4) (Related job placement Required—15 hrs/wk)	12	2+ courses for 2+ credits (with level 2 or higher course) in aligned POS	12701141 27517 3 credits		BHS LBHS

*Course is included in additional programs of study.



Law Enforcement Course Descriptions

Law Enforcement I	Law Enforcement I is an overview of the history, organization, and functions of local, state, and federal law enforcement. Students will understand the role of constitutional law at local, state, and federal levels; the U.S. legal system; criminal law; and law enforcement terminology and the classification and elements of crime.
Law Enforcement II	Law Enforcement II provides the knowledge and skills necessary to prepare for a career in law enforcement. Students will understand ethical and legal responsibilities, patrol procedures, first responder roles, telecommunications, emergency equipment operations, and courtroom testimony.
Counseling & Mental Health	In Counseling and Mental Health, students model the knowledge and skills necessary to pursue a counseling and mental health career through simulated environments. Students are expected to apply knowledge of ethical and legal responsibilities, limitations, and the implications of their actions. Professional integrity in counseling and mental health care is dependent on acceptance of ethical and legal responsibilities.
Forensic Science	Forensic Science is a survey course that introduces students to the application of science to law. Students learn terminology and procedures related to the collection and examination of physical evidence using scientific processes performed in a field or laboratory setting. Students also learn the history and the legal aspects of forensic science.
Criminal Investigations	Criminal Investigation is a course that introduces students to the profession of criminal investigations. Students will understand basic functions of criminal investigations and procedures and will learn how to investigate or follow up during investigations. Students will learn terminology and investigative procedures related to criminal investigation, crime scene processing, evidence collection, fingerprinting, and courtroom presentation. Through case studies and simulated crime scenes, students will collect and analyze evidence such as fingerprint analysis, bodily fluids, hairs, fibers, shoe and tire impressions, bite marks, drugs, tool marks, firearms and ammunition, blood spatter, digital evidence, and other types of evidence.
Career Preparation	Career Preparation I provides opportunities for students to participate in a work-based learning experience that combines classroom instruction with business and industry employment experiences. The goal is to prepare students with a variety of skills for a changing workplace. Career preparation is relevant and rigorous, supports student attainment of academic standards, and effectively prepares students for college and career success.

