



# Law and Public Service Career Cluster

The Law and 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. This career cluster includes occupations ranging from police officer and firefighter to political scientist and lawyer.

## Program of Study: Law Enforcement

The Law Enforcement: Police 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 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.

## Secondary Courses for High School Credit

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| <b>9<sup>th</sup> Grade</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Principles of Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security</li> </ul> |
| <b>10<sup>th</sup> Grade</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Law Enforcement 1</li> </ul>                                           |
| <b>11<sup>th</sup> Grade</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Law Enforcement 2</li> <li>Forensic Science</li> </ul>                 |
| <b>12<sup>th</sup> Grade</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Practicum in Law Enforcement</li> </ul>                                |
| <b>Optional Electives</b>    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Counseling &amp; Mental Health</li> <li>Career Prep 1</li> </ul>       |

### Internship and Practicum Opportunities

Students have the opportunity to gain hands-on experience in a variety of different settings. There are numerous internship opportunities including the following: **Keller PD, Local Police Forces and 911 Dispatch Centers.**

### Career and Technical Student Organization (CTSO)

#### SkillsUSA

Workforce Development  
Organization

*Career & Technical Student Organizations (CTSOs) are student-led organizations that build leadership, career skills, and real-world experience through competitions, networking, and hands-on learning.*

## Aligned Industry-Based Certifications

- Non-Commissioned Security Officer 2
- IAED Emergency Telecommunicator



Successful completion of the Law Enforcement: Police program of study will fulfill requirements of the **Public Services endorsement.**



## Example Postsecondary Opportunities

### Apprenticeships

- Security Specialist

### Associate Degrees

- Criminal Justice
- Law Enforcement

### Bachelor's Degrees

- Forensic Science
- Criminal Justice

### Master's, Doctoral, and Professional Degrees

- Criminal Justice
- Criminology and Criminal Justice

### Additional Stackable IBCs/License

- Jailer – Basic County Corrections
- Basic Telecommunicator



## Example Aligned Occupations

### Police and Sheriff's Patrol Officers

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

### Detectives and Criminal Investigators

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

### First-Line Supervisors of Police and Detectives

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

For more information, visit the KISD Course Guide  
<https://tinyurl.com/464uxm25>

