

Dear student,

This letter is intended for those who have applied for and have been accepted to the Criminal Justice Academy (CJA) at Boone High School for the upcoming academic year.

Greetings and congratulations! I look forward to meeting you and having you as part of our program. If you are a returning student, welcome back!

In order to give you an opportunity to get a head start, I wanted to give you information regarding certain purchases you will be required to make and use during your time in the CJA. The more you can get done during the summer, the less stressful the fall will be.

The uniform for the CJA will be khaki tactical pants, dark blue polo shirt, black leather belt, black leather shoes/sneakers, black socks that cover the ankle and an optional black fleece sweater. *Information regarding specific uniform items will follow later in this letter, please read the letter in its entirety.* Additional useful information can be found in the "CJA Information Memo" which can also be found on the CJA page of the Boone High School website.

Professional Dress is a graded dimension of the CJA curriculum and proper wear of the CJA uniform is part of Professional Dress. The CJA uniform will be worn on Wednesday's (excluding the first week of school). The CJA uniform will also be worn anytime identification as a member of the CJA is desired, such as on field trips, cadet details, etc.

In addition to the uniform you will need:

- One folder or 1" three ring binder
- Pens (Black Ink) / Pencils / Highlighters
- 5 Tab Binder Dividers
- Notebook Paper
- Flash Drive (not required but recommended)

CJA Magnet Uniform Items to Be Purchased:

There are multiple learning objectives, beyond simple identification as a Magnet participant, that are achieved through the wearing of the CJA uniform. Among these objectives is the opportunity it provides the instructor to observe the student's ability to receive and follow instruction, the student's attention to detail, and ability to meet the standards of the program. The student's level of desire to actually continue in the program can often be gauged by the effort shown in the preparation and wearing of the uniform.

It was the desire of the program to make it as convenient as possible to obtain the necessary uniform items. Our program has contacted Griner's Custom Apparel and U.S. Surplus in Orlando. Both stores stock our uniform shirts and pants. The required shirt can be purchased from Griner's on their website, www.grinersapparel.com, for \$33 plus tax. This includes the embroidery and free shipping. The required uniform pants can be purchased from U.S. Surplus or www.truspec.com. We will be going to a new uniform pant for this school year. Students will be required to wear Tru-Spec 24-7 Series Tactical Pants in the Khaki color. The men's style number is #1060 and the women's style number is #1095. The pants can be purchased at U.S. Surplus, 4536 N. Orange Blossom Trail #1, Orlando, Florida or online from the Tru-Spec web site (<u>www.truspec.com</u>). The price of the pants vary from \$37.50 plus tax at U.S. Surplus to \$39.96 online at Tru-Spec's website. NOTE: To get the price of \$39.96 online you must use the coupon "LETS20" at check out. We are moving to these pants due to the wide range of sizes available to both our male and female students. The pants come with an expandable waist and can be purchased unhemmed to extend their wearable life as our students grow. When selecting the specific uniform articles, their cost, durability and ease of care were considered while also being able to provide the professional appearance the program desires to achieve. When a particular manufacturer and / or model is specified, care should be taken to obtain only those items as these are the only items that will be accepted.

You are invited to comparison shop using local retailers and the internet to seek the supplier that best meets your need, but the above two companies are providing our uniform at a very competitive price and Griner's has assured me they will have ample shirts on supply during the summer months for a quick turnaround to ensure you will have the uniform shirt by the start of the upcoming school year. I recommend you purchase your uniform mid-July to ensure you have it by the beginning of the school year. Students **ARE NOT REQUIRED** to wear their uniforms on the first day of school. I will inform them when to begin wearing the uniform.

Shirt

TEAM 365 (Sport Dark Navy) StylenumberTT20 (Mens), TT20W (Ladies) Local Retailer: Griner's Custom Apparel www.grinersapparel.com email: cindy@grinersapparel.com Phone 407.832.7414



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Trousers Tru_Spec 24-7 Series Tactical Pants – Khaki Color Mens: Style #1060 https://www.truspec.com/24-7series/pants/mens-original-tacticalpants Ladies: Style #1095 https://www.truspec.com/24-7series/womens-apparel/women-stactical-pants Local Retailer: U.S. Surplus (and others) Online: www.truspec.com



Belt

Any **black leather belt with a silver buckle** similar to the Dickies belt shown (Dickies Men's 40Mm Bridle With Double Row Stitch Belt) will be acceptable. The Dickies belt can be purchased online at Amazon.com for approximately \$15. Similar belts can be purchased at Walmart, Target, Ross, etc. for between \$6 - \$10. There is a second belt option as well. You may purchase the Rothco web belt #4177. The belt must be black and the buckle must be silver. This belt is available at various retailers for approximately \$5. I have found over the years students prefer a Dickies type belt over the Rothco belt based on comfort, but either type of belt is acceptable. The acceptability of the belt for wear with the CJA uniform will be at the sole discretion of the CJA instructor if the belt is not one of the above two belts. The belt should be sized so the buckle fastens at the second or third hole from the end of the belt, thus reducing the amount of excess material extending past the buckle.

Shoes

The fit and function of shoes is very important. Shoes that offer improper support or fit can affect the posture and good health of the wearer. For this reason, some personal preference in foot wear is permitted, with certain uniform restrictions. The shoes shown below are for illustrative purposes. Dress shoes are not required, or even desirable, given the nature of the field of study. All black leather athletic or walking shoes (sneakers) are preferred. The shoe, regardless of manufacturer or model, <u>must be constructed of all black leather</u> (no nylon, suede or nubuck, etc.) If a logo is present, it must also be made of black leather. The entire upper of the shoe, including the logo (if applicable) must be capable of accepting shoe polish and being buffed to a shine. There are numerous manufacturers of such footwear. Shown are several different products available at Walmart. Other acceptable shoes are available from Nike, New Balance, Hi-Tec, Bates, etc.



Optional Fleece Sweater

To be determined. Wear of the sweater will not be required; however, if a sweater is worn with the CJA uniform, it will be specifically authorized. More information regarding the uniform fleece sweater will be announced with the approach of cooler weather.

I look forward to meeting and working with each of you in the coming year. Regards, Joseph Windt Criminal Justice Instructor 407-893-7200 ext. 6012211 Joseph.windt@ocps.net