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CITY OF CHAMBLEE POLICE DEPARTMENT
ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR JUNIOR POLICE ACADEMY

May 1, 2019—The City of Chamblee Police Department is taking applications for its Junior Police Academy. Held June 10-14, this free program provides young adults with basic information about law enforcement and police activities. The ultimate objective is to establish a positive relationship between Chamblee's youth and law enforcement representatives.

Cadets will experience a wide variety of police work, from routine traffic stops to crime scene processing. CPD Officers from traffic enforcement, dispatch and crime scene investigation as well as the Doraville K-9 unit will give the cadets a hands-on experience throughout the week. They also will tour the Chamblee Police Department, 911 communications center and the DeKalb County Jail.

"Every day will be something different for the cadets to experience, and we are looking forward to seeing the program expand throughout the years to come," says Captain Ernesto Ford, Investigative Commander of the Chamblee Police Department.

The program consists of students ages 13-15 years old and gives youth exposure into the life of a police officer.

Cadets also will receive experience in fingerprinting, traffic safety, crime prevention, self-defense and more. "This program will give local youth exposure into what it is like to be an officer, work in public safety or in the judicial system. It's a great experience for them to work hand in hand with our police officers. We hope this program will continue to grow," says Chamblee Police Chief Kerry Thomas. The program will conclude with a graduation ceremony for parents and friends.

Applications are due May 6 and must be accompanied by a letter of recommendation from a teacher, counselor, principal or clergy member. Visit <https://chambleega.com/DocumentCenter/View/3150/JPA-2019-Application-Packet> to download the complete application.

For more information, please contact Capt. E. Ford at the City of Chamblee at 770-986-5010 or eford@chambleega.gov.

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Located just 14 miles from downtown Atlanta, Chamblee is a vibrant urban city with a diverse community and international flair. The City of Chamblee began as a small rail town and was incorporated in 1908. It has grown to more than seven square miles and nearly 30,000 residents. Chamblee is home to a heavy rail MARTA station, a historic downtown and Antique Row, the vibrant Buford Highway Corridor, DeKalb-Peachtree Airport (PDK), the Centers for Disease Control and a thriving business community with a unique sense of entrepreneurship and optimism.