





The Texarkana Arkansas Police Department is providing to you an opportunity to participate in the 10<sup>th</sup> annual PRIDE Academy. You have been selected as a potential candidate because of leadership capabilities that you have shown to your teachers and counselors within your school and throughout your community.

The Academy will be held at Texarkana Arkansas Middle School, August 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>, 2022. This camp will be free to the selected participants.

The Texarkana Arkansas Police PRIDE Academy is designed to build lasting relationships between you and the officers of the Texarkana Arkansas Police Department. By creating these lasting bonds, it will give you the confidence and encouragement that you need to make quality life choices and achieve lifelong success. If you chose to participate and become a PRIDE Academy Recruit you will participate in several team activities including sports activities, skits, music, obstacle course, and meeting the K-9 officers. You will also learn about drugs and alcohol, gang prevention, bullying, internet safety, gun safety, first aid, what to do in emergency situations. Once you are accepted as a PRIDE Academy Recruit you will be divided into teams to play games and compete with one another while learning about teamwork.

So, if you are up to the challenge and know that you are ready to participate in a fun filled week this summer, have your parent sign and return this flyer to your teacher to receive an application. Please return by <u>May 6, 2022!</u>

\_\_\_\_\_ YES, my child would like to attend PRIDE Academy 2022

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_

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Date Of Birth:			EX: M / F		· · ·
		pleted the 5 <sup>th</sup> grade			
	Y	es	No		
Adult T-Shirt	Size: XS	S M	L	XL	XXL
	Parent	/ Guardian Conta	ct Informatio	n	
Mother's Name:					
Home Phone Nun		Cell Phone/Work Number:			
Father's Name:					
Home Phone Nun	nber:	Cell	Phone/Work N	lumber:	
Guardian's Name:					







For the Texarkana, AR Police Department and Texarkana, AR School District

I hereby acknowledge that I am the parent/guardian of a participant and that said participant has my permission to participate/attend the Texarkana, AR Police Department and Texarkana, AR School District PRIDE Academy from 08/01/22 to 08/05/22, which will be held at Texarkana Arkansas Middle School. I hereby agree to waive all claims against the City of Texarkana, Arkansas, Texarkana Arkansas School District, their officers, agents or representative for any property damage or personal injuries of any kind that may occur during said event.

I do hereby release and forever discharge the City of Texarkana, Arkansas and the Texarkana, Arkansas School District, their officers, agents, or representative of and from all claims, demands and suits.

In the event my representative or I cannot be reached in an emergency, I hereby give my permission to the Doctor, selected by the adult leader in charge of the event, to hospitalize, secure proper anesthesia or to order injection for my son/daughter/dependent. I, the undersigned, have read and understand the above stated waiver and release agreement.

I hereby allow the Texarkana Arkansas Police Department to track and follow my child's disciplinary and academic statistics throughout the duration of their time at TASD.

Participant's PRINTED Name

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

PRINTED NAME of emergency contact

Phone Number

## Alternate emergency name and phone

Any known food/plant allergies or medical conditions?

PRIDE Academy does not and shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion (creed), gender, gender expression, age, national origin (ancestry), disability, marital status, sexual orientation, or military status, in any of its activities or operations. These activities include, but are not limited to, hiring and firing of staff, selection of volunteers and vendors, and provision of services. We are committed to providing an inclusive and welcoming environment for all members of our staff, clients, volunteers, subcontractors, vendors, and clients.







The program is free and will take place at the Texarkana Arkansas Middle School Campus, beginning Monday, August 1<sup>st</sup>, and continue throughout the week until Friday, August 5th. The Academy will begin each day at 08:00 am until 3:00 pm Mon-Thur. On Friday, the last day of the Academy the students will be dismissed after the graduation ceremony at 12:00 pm. All students will be provided with breakfast, lunch, and snacks.

The Texarkana Arkansas Police PRIDE Academy is designed to build lasting relationships between young children and the officers of the Texarkana Arkansas Police Department. By creating these lasting bonds, it will give the youth attendees of this program the confidence and encouragement that they need to make quality life choices and become a successful adult. To achieve our objective, we will seek to provide the following to the youth attendees:

- Create a positive experience with law enforcement
- Provide encouragement and direction for making quality life choices
- Teach self-discipline
- Build self-confidence by working with them in a team concept

Activities will include sports, skits, music, an obstacle course, meeting the K-9's, and more. Kids will also learn about drugs and alcohol and their dangers, gang prevention, antibullying, internet safety, gun safety, first aid, what to do in an emergency situation. Kids will be divided into teams and will play the games and compete with one another while learning about teamwork.

The kids will be under the supervision of police officers at all times and a registered nurse will be on site. While attending the PRIDE Academy it is recommended for them to wear shorts since it will be hot. A team shirt will be provided the first day and your kid will need to wear the shirt provided every day since it identifies the kids group and identifies them as part of the academy. Please wash the shirt every day since we will be getting sweaty and dirty.

Once again, this event is provided to you free of charge and we hope that you support our program by allowing your child to participate. **Registration Deadline is May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022.** 

Thank you for your time and hope to see your kid there!