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Incident: Abbotsford Police Department Junior Police Academy Class 2017

Twenty-seven grade eleven and twelve students from various Abbotsford high schools are spending their spring break this week to learn what it is like to be a police officer. The twenty-seven students were carefully selected from a group of over 60 applicants to participate in the program which will teach basic law, police control tactics/self-defense, and even a day at the firearm range.

The week-long program ends with the students applying what they have learned during a scenario-based training day where they will be challenged as "police officers" to resolve problems.



"It's the most exciting week of the year! I look forward to dealing with the positive side of policing, working with our communities' youth and testing their abilities as if they were an officer," says Cst Doug Watkins, the JPA Coordinator, "It's a fantastic opportunity for students interested in policing to get a first-hand look at it."

Our Mission:
To make Abbotsford the safest city in B.C.

The Junior Police Academy runs for one week, once a year. If you would like more information about this program, please visit our website at http://www.abbypd.ca/junior-police-academy.

The JPA runs until Friday this week. Media is invited to access this event. Please contact Sgt. Judy Bird who will coordinate access.

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