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Rhodes State Offers Evening Police Academy

LIMA, Ohio – Rhodes State College is offering an Evening Basic Police Academy this fall. After successful completion of the Police Training Academy, students are qualified to take the required Ohio Peace Officer Training Commission (OPOTC) certification test to be a peace officer in Ohio.

The class sessions are scheduled from October 2, 2010 – May 9, 2011.

Application deadline is August 27, 2010.

All students participating in the police academy must: 1) be at least 21 years of age at completion of academy, 2) pass an Ohio Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation (BCI & I) and Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) records check, and 3) pass a physical examination by student's physician.

The training course consists of 582 instructional hours (33 college credit hours may be applied toward the two-year, associate degree in Law Enforcement at Rhodes State). Financial aid is available for qualified students.

Classes are Monday through Thursday from 6 pm to 10 pm with 12 Saturday and 1 Sunday class from 8 am to 4:30 pm. Students interested should call Bill Applegate at (419) 995-8195.

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