



# St. Petersburg Police News Release



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Week-end Planners--Update and Change

Statewide Training for 275 Police Explorers in St. Petersburg this Weekend

While the events on Saturday are open to the media, Sunday's Pistol Competition will be closed to the media and the public. My apologies for any confusion.

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April 29, 30 - The St. Petersburg Police Department with the Pinellas County Sheriff's will co-host the Police Explorer quarterly training, meeting and pistol competition at the St. Petersburg College - Allstate Center, 3200 34th St. South. Media interested in covering this should contact St. Petersburg Officer Janie Staples, 727-580-4840.

We are expecting approximately 340 in attendance including Police Explorers, Advisors, and Instructors. There are 25 departments attending including: Tampa, Port St. Lucie, Gainesville, Orlando and many more.

Here are some of the events:

Saturday - 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

8 a.m. Welcome remarks by Sheriff Bob Gualtieri and St. Petersburg Assistant Chief of Police Michael Kovacsev.

8:15 a.m. St. Petersburg Police Officer Michael Cordiviola will be a guest speaker sharing his experience about being shot in 2015. Sgt. Lofton will then give a presentation on how to use the tourniquet. We have several scenarios going on. Three of them will be First Aid Scenarios which are geared to teach Explorers how to use tourniquets.

Other scenarios are traffic stops, crisis intervention, courtroom testimony, traffic stops, K-9 Perimeter setting, Honor Guard/Drill competition, and DUI Investigation. Several officers from our training unit will be out there working with Pinellas County Sheriff's Office.

Sunday - Pistol Competition will be held at the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office range.