

## BASIC LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING BEGINS SEPTEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup> AT BCC

DUBLIN - Bladen Community College will begin classes for men and women interested in Basic Law Enforcement Training (BLET) on September 24th. Over the past 28 years, the college has graduated more than 250 candidates, providing skilled law enforcement personnel to local, town, county, regional, state, and federal organizations.

The BLET is designed to give students essential skills required for entry-level employment as law enforcement officers with state, county, municipal governments, or with private enterprise.

Typically, classes will be held Monday through Thursday evenings, from 6 PM until 10 PM and every other Saturday, from 8 AM until 5 PM. The 28-weeks program is approved for financial aid and VA benefits, as well as the James B. Collins Scholarship.

The BLET program which combines physical conditioning with required classwork, utilizes State-Commission-Accredited topics and methods of instruction. General subjects include, but are not limited to, criminal, civil, juvenile, traffic and alcoholic beverage laws, investigative, patrol, custody and court procedures, emergency responses, firearms training and subject control arrest techniques training.

Eligible candidates for the BLET Academy must meet certain conditions such as passing the TABE Reading test, be at least 20 years old at the time of course registration, pass a physical examination and be sponsored or employed by a public law enforcement agency.

BCC BLET Director Joey Todd remarked “Our graduates are now working in police and sheriff’s departments in our area. It is a rigorous program and requires commitment but yet yields very positive results for the individual and area law enforcement.”

For more information about the Basic Law Enforcement Training Academy or to receive an application packet, contact Joey Todd, at 910.879.5656, or [jtodd@bladencc.edu](mailto:jtodd@bladencc.edu).