

PSA's mission in collaboration with our business partners is to provide experiences that ensure each cadet graduates high school with character, communication, empathy, knowledge, and problem-solving skills necessary to meet entry level public safety requirements.



### Benefits of joining PSA...

**PREPARE** - Cadets prepare for life, college and/or career opportunities, as well as to deal with emergencies through training, certifications, and dual enrollment courses.

**SERVE** - Cadets serve through community service, law enforcement or fire Explorer programs, a mentorship, and an internship.

**ACHIEVE** - Cadets achieve success through our school-with-in-a-school model, as well as earn awards, leadership rank, a high school diploma, and a college transcript.

### Expectations

- Cadets demonstrate integrity.
- Cadets maintain a 2.2 GPA.
- Cadets maintain an 80% attendance.
- Cadets wear a uniform.



The Public Safety Academy began in 2011 and is governed and funded by the California Partnership Academies Program Grant through the California Department of Education.

To learn more, use the QR code and ask your counselor today about joining.

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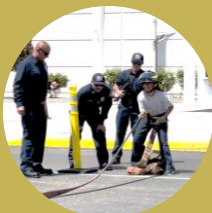
# Public Services: Public Safety & Emergency Response



California's Career Technical Education programs engage students by integrating academics with career education. Knowledge and skills are learned and applied within a sequential standards-based program designed to prepare students for technical training, post-high school education, and entry-level employment. CTE programs culminate in a capstone project and an internship, which consists of placement with local business partners where students apply their knowledge and skills they have acquired through their coursework.



**9<sup>th</sup> Grade G-Elective**  
Public Safety – Introduction  
 An introduction and overview of law enforcement, fire, and medical careers and operations.



**10<sup>th</sup> Grade Dual Enrollment**  
Principles of Emergency Services Overview of public and private fire protection services; national prerequisite for the fire academy.



**11<sup>th</sup> Grade Dual Enrollment**  
Introduction to Criminal Justice  
 Overview of law enforcement, courts, and corrections; transferable to CSU/UCs; includes mentorship hours.



**12<sup>th</sup> Grade Dual Enrollment**  
Emergency Medical Responder  
 Overview of prehospital patient care; prerequisite for EMT; includes internship hours.



## Certifications

- American Heart Association's First Aid & Basic Life Support Provider
- FEMA's Incident Command Systems & C.E.R.T.
- And additional college, law enforcement, fire, and EMS certifications.



## Local Colleges with Public Services Programs

- College of the Desert, CSU San Bernardino, & La Sierra University
- Cadets who complete the dual enrollment courses earn college credit.



## Leadership and Community Service

- Cadets participate in SkillsUSA leadership and competitions.
- Cadets have leadership and community service opportunities.



## Business Partners

- California Highway Patrol & Desert Hot Springs Police Dept.
- Mothers Against Drunk Driving & Riverside University Health System
- American Medical Response & Desert Regional Medical Center
- CAL FIRE & Cathedral City Fire Dept.
- Co. of Riverside Emergency Management Dept. & U.S. National Park Service

Example careers and salaries.

Occupations	Required Education	Average Salary Range
Police Officers & Sheriff Deputies	High School Diploma & Certification	\$82,000 - \$128,000
Forensic Science Technicians	College Degree & Certification	\$63,000 - \$104,000
Fire Fighters - EMT	High School Diploma & Certification	\$62,000 - \$100,000
EMTs & Paramedics	High School Diploma & Certification	\$32,000 - \$64,000
Public Safety Dispatchers	High School Diploma & Certification	\$70,000 - \$79,000