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ILLINOIS STATE POLICE WELCOMES NEW TROOPERS OF CADET CLASS 147

ISP has added 530 new troopers since 2019

SPRINGFIELD – The Illinois State Police (ISP) welcomed 18 new troopers today from Cadet Class 147 at a graduation ceremony at the Illinois State Police Academy in Springfield. The new troopers will report to seven different Troops throughout the state on Sunday, July 21, 2024. Cadet Class 147 marks the 19th cadet class graduation under Governor JB Pritzker and ISP Director Brendan F. Kelly. Since 2019, 530 troopers have joined ISP.

“On behalf of the State of Illinois, I would like to congratulate Cadet Class 147 on their graduation from the Illinois State Police Academy,” said Governor JB Pritzker. “My administration has prioritized recruitment over the last five years, leading to 530 new troopers, and I am honored to welcome these 18 troopers as they start the next chapter of their career in law enforcement.”

“The Illinois State Police continues to build its ranks with those who embody integrity and service to the community,” said ISP Director Brendan F. Kelly. “ISP troopers receive extensive training and are held to the highest standards to serve the public with respect. I welcome our newest troopers to one of the greatest law enforcement agencies in the country.”

Cadet Class 147 is an 11-week Fast Track academy class for certified police officers who previously graduated from an accredited law enforcement academy and had at least two years of experience while employed as a full-time officer. The Fast Track program consist of physical and classroom instruction, which includes training in Cultural Diversity, Procedural Justice, Domestic Violence, Critical Incident Response, De-escalation Tactics, Firearms, First Responder Certification, Control and Arrest Tactics, Illinois Vehicle Code, Criminal Law, Motor Carrier Safety, Juvenile Law, and more.

In addition to the 11-week academy training, troopers are required to participate in one-on-one- mentoring with Field Training Officers as part of a 14-week field training program, expanding their total training to 25 weeks. Troopers who successfully complete the field training program advance to solo-patrol status.

The new officers are assigned to the following areas of the state and will immediately begin their patrol duties.

- Troop 2 LaSalle/Moline, 1 trooper
- Troop 3 Chicago, 5 troopers
- Troop 4 Peoria, 3 troopers

- Troop 6 Springfield, 3 troopers
- Troop 7 Champaign, 3 troopers
- Troop 8 Collinsville, 2 troopers
- Troop 9 Effingham, 1 trooper

Effective July 1, 2024, new troopers earn approximately \$90,000 in compensation upon graduation from the Illinois State Police Academy. Anyone interested in joining the ranks of Illinois State Police is encouraged to visit the Illinois State Police Merit Board website at www.illinoistrooper.com for application information.

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