

**MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS**

- \* Must be a resident of Polk County
- \* Must maintain at least a C average in school
- \* Must not have a criminal record
- \* Must be of good moral character
- \* Must be at least 14 years of age
- \* Must be under 20 years of age
- \* Must have completed 8th grade
- \* Must have a good school record
- \* Must pass an oral review board

**HOW TO JOIN**

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE INFORMATION ON  
HOW TO BECOME AN EXPLORER,  
PLEASE CONTACT:**

The School Resource Unit  
863-534-0981

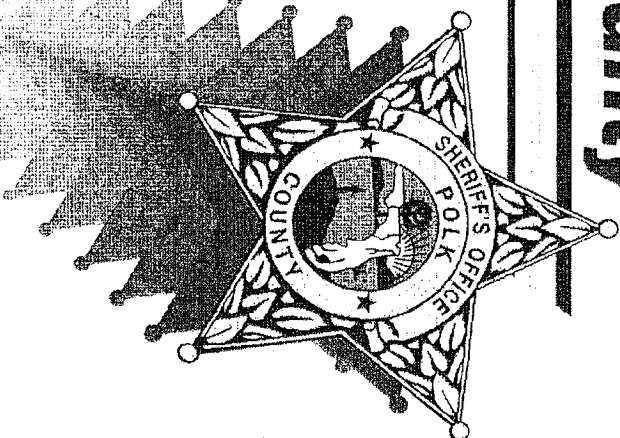
**OR PICK UP AN APPLICATION AT THE**  
**SHERIFF'S OFFICE**  
**SPECIAL OPERATIONS DIVISION**  
**LOCATED AT:**

420 N. Bartow Municipal Airport  
BARTOW, FL 33830

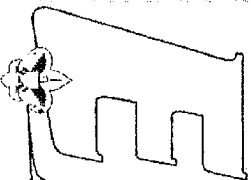
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Explorer Post 900

**Polk  
County**



**Sheriff's  
Office**



## Working Together... For A Better Tomorrow

The Polk County Sheriff's Office Explorer Post 900 was organized to offer students an introduction into law enforcement as a possible career.

### What's An Explorer Post?

A law enforcement Explorer post is a cadet program designed for students that are interested in any aspect of law enforcement. It allows an individual to learn about careers in law enforcement. Exploring is chartered by the Boy Scouts of America. This program is designed to develop self esteem, discipline, good citizenship, and leadership within the post, and to create a better understanding between the Sheriff's Office and the youth of our community.

### Meetings

Meetings are held every other Thursday evening in Bartow from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Meetings are mandatory for all members.

## Programs

An Explorer has the opportunity to learn almost every aspect of law enforcement. On meeting nights, subject topics include:

- \*Investigations
- \*Public Relations
- \*Crime Prevention
- \*Arrest
- \*Communications
- \*Crime Scene
- \*Radio Procedures
- \*Finger Printing
- \*First Aid
- \*Firearm Safety
- \*Patrol Procedures
- \*Vehicle Stops
- \*Traffic Direction
- \*Crisis Intervention

### Explorer Post Responsibilities

The Explorer Post is assigned to the School Resource Unit and responsible for the following:

- \*Special Details
- \*Parade Float
- \*Scout Camporees
- \*Parking Details
- \*Honor Guard Team
- \*Pistol Team

The Explorer Post is a member of the Florida Sheriff's Explorer Association. We participate in statewide pistol tournaments, as well as the Bi-annual Explorer National competition.