



# SPRING 2020 FBI TEEN ACADEMY APPLICATION

## Sacramento Field Office

Student Candidate Information			
Name (First, Middle, Last)			
Grade level			
Street Address			
City/State		Zip Code	
Home Phone		Cell Phone	
Email		Referred by	
School Activities			
	<i>(attach page if necessary)</i>		
Community Involvement			
	<i>(attach page if necessary)</i>		
Other			
	<i>(attach page if necessary)</i>		

Parent/Guardian Information and Approval			
Name (First, Middle Last)			
Street Address			
City/State		Zip Code	
Home Phone		Cell Phone	
Business Phone		Email	
Emergency contact:			
Signature			
Date			

School Information and Approval			
School Name			
School Mailing Address			
City/State		Zip Code	
Registrar Phone		Email	
School Official Name			
Official's Position			
Official's Phone		Email	
Student GPA*	<small>**Unweighted,** cumulative high school academic GPA</small>		
Official's Signature			
Date			

The Spring 2020 Sacramento FBI Teen Academy will welcome a select number of high school juniors to Sacramento field office headquarters on **Friday, April 3, 2020**. Punctuality, professional behavior and appropriate dress will be required of all students attending this program.

The program is not exclusive to students interested in criminal justice careers. Due to the vast diversity in our workforce, any student with a healthy interest in the FBI, our investigations, what to do to stay safe, and how a relationship with the FBI can help their school is encouraged to apply. All students will be evaluated based on their application package and essay to determine which students will be offered the opportunity to attend the class. None of the above elements will be the sole basis of evaluation and the application process should be taken seriously by all applicants.

This application, associated release forms with original signatures, and a supporting essay as outlined in the checklist below **must be received by 4 p.m. on Friday, March 6, 2020** at the following address for panel review. Incomplete and late applications will not be accepted. Applications are not accepted via email or fax.

FBI Sacramento Field Office  
Community Outreach  
2001 Freedom Way  
Roseville, CA 95678

**All FBI Teen Academy Applications Must Contain:**

- Application form
  - Student information complete
  - Parent/guardian information complete and signed
  - School information complete
  - Endorsing school official information complete and signed
  - School official notation of student's GPA (checks will be made).
  
- Essay
  - Within the body of a narrative in essay form, students must indicate
    - Why the student wants to be part of the program
    - How the experience may benefit the student's school or community
  - Include name and email on the upper right of each page
  - Must be typed; do not staple essay or insert it into a report cover
  - No more than two pages, single-spaced
  - Proper capitalization, punctuation, and word use.
  
- Release/indemnity forms signed by parent/guardian indicated on the application form.

Students will be notified of their application status via email on or before **Monday, March 23, 2020**. Students selected to attend the FBI Teen Academy will be given additional information about the program after confirming their planned attendance.

Questions regarding the FBI Teen Academy and the application process can be directed to SacramentoOPA@ic.fbi.gov or to Community Outreach Specialist Katie Burnett at kjburnett@fbi.gov or (916) 746-2780.

## Frequently Asked Questions Regarding the FBI Teen Academy

### **Q. Is the program only for high school juniors?**

**A.** Yes, the program has been designed for high school juniors to ensure that they have at least one year remaining in their academic career at the school. This enables students to share the information they have learned and serve as peer mentors, when appropriate.

### **Q. Is the essay important?**

**A.** Yes, the essay is important as it is often the first element of the application package that is reviewed by our panelists. This is an opportunity for the student to explain why they should attend and what benefit of the class will be beyond the student's own experience. In other words, a high GPA in absence of a well written essay and vice versa can be problematic.

### **Q. Do 4.0 students get a guaranteed seat in the class?**

**A.** GPA is not the only method of student evaluation and no student will be assured a seat by GPA alone. All students must submit a well-written essay detailing why they want to attend the academy and how the experience will benefit their school as well as have school activities and community involvement that demonstrate that he or she is a well-rounded student.

### **Q. Is a particular GPA required?**

**A.** GPA is not the only method of student evaluation and a minimum GPA is not stated; however, given the competitive nature of the application process, it is advantageous for a student to have a combination of a good GPA, well-written essay, school activities and community involvement.

### **Q. Does a student have to have specific experience or interest in law enforcement to be a successful candidate?**

**A.** No, a student does not need to be in a criminal justice program, law enforcement explorers program, ROTC, etc. The primary objective is to identify students who are capable of leadership and have an interest in learning what the FBI does.

### **Q. Is this experience similar to an internship?**

**A.** The FBI Teen Academy is not an internship and, while students may be offered case studies drawn from adjudicated cases, students will not be exposed to active cases or day-to-day investigations.

### **Q. I love forensic science! Will I get to learn techniques?**

**A.** While students may be exposed to some basic evidence collection techniques during one of the many sessions, the day covers a wide variety of topics from a classroom and experiential perspective. The day is designed to enhance student awareness of current issues, clarify the FBI's role in investigating crimes, and provide information to enable students to better inform and protect themselves and their peers.



## YOUTH PROGRAM/CAMP INFORMED CONSENT, RELEASE AND AUTHORIZATION

Name of Program/Camp: Sacramento Spring 2020 FBI Teen Academy

Date(s) and Location(s) of Program/Camp: Friday, April 3, 2020 at FBI Sacramento Field Office Headquarters

Description of Activity: Single day educational experience, tour, and activities

Participant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I, the undersigned, am a parent or legal guardian of the above-named minor participant ("Child"). I wish for my Child to participate in the above-referenced youth program/camp ("Program") on the date(s) and location(s) indicated above and, in consideration for my Child's participation in the Program, I agree as follows:

1. I understand and acknowledge that participation in the Program may expose my Child to certain risks associated with participation in physical activities, including the risk of serious physical injury. I voluntarily assume, on behalf of my Child, responsibility for all foreseen and unforeseen risks that my Child may encounter as a result of participation in the Program.
2. I agree to release, discharge, and hold harmless the United States; the Department of Justice; the Federal Bureau of Investigation; and the agents or employees of the same (collectively, "Federal employees"), both in their individual and official capacities, from any and all liability for any claim or demand in law or in equity arising from or related to any injury or illness my Child may sustain as a direct or indirect result of participation in the Program.
3. I agree to indemnify and hold harmless all Federal employees from any and all third party claims arising as a direct or indirect result of my Child's participation in the Program. This indemnity shall include, without limitation, reasonable attorney's fees and all other reasonable costs incurred by Federal employees in defending any third party matter.
4. In the event that I fail to honor my obligations under this agreement, I further agree to pay all reasonable attorneys' fees and costs necessary to enforce this agreement or to defend any action brought in default of this agreement. This agreement shall be unlimited as to amount or duration.
5. By my signature below, I certify that my Child is in good physical health, and I am unaware of any infirmity, condition, disability or injury which would prevent my Child from participating fully in the Program.

**AUTHORIZATION FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE.** In the event of a medical emergency, I authorize Federal employees to use their discretion to apply any and all measures they deem necessary to stabilize my child's condition until medical assistance is available.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Parent/Legal Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



## PHOTOGRAPHS CONSENT/RELEASE FORM

As my child \_\_\_\_\_ is a participant of a FBI Community Outreach Program, I understand that any and all photographs taken by an FBI designated photographer may be used by the FBI for promotional purposes.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, consent to my child's photograph being taken and authorize the use of said photograph(s) in print, online post, or any other manner in which the FBI deems appropriate (including but not limited to, fbi.gov, the FBI Community Outreach Facebook page, and other related publications).

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Parent/Legal Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date