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2023 District Attorney's Citizen Prosecutor Academy NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

Montgomery County District Attorney Brett Ligon is pleased to announce that his office is now accepting applications for the 2023 Citizen Prosecutor Academy. This long standing program will provide a behind the scenes look at what goes on in your District Attorney's Office. The 12-week course will start on July 31, 2023, and conclude with a graduation ceremony for participants on October 23, 2023.

The District Attorney's Office has an essential role in protecting the community and holding offenders accountable. During this course, participants will hear from prosecutors and investigators on a variety of topics, including murder investigations, human trafficking, Grand Jury, internet crimes against children, and the anatomy of a criminal jury trial. The tentative course schedule is as follows:

- Week 1:** July 31 Academy Overview & Welcoming Remarks
- Week 2:** August 7 The Criminal Justice Process
- Week 3:** August 14 Anatomy of a Jury Trial
- Week 4:** August 21 Crimes Against Children – Physical & Sexual Abuse
- Week 5:** August 28 Family Violence
September 4 Labor Day Holiday – No Class
- Week 6:** September 11 Vehicular Crimes / No Refusal Program
- Week 7:** September 18 White Collar/ Asset Forfeiture
- Week 8:** September 25 Major Offenders/ Diversion Programs
- Week 9:** October 2 Public Integrity/ Officer Involved Shootings
- Week 10:** October 9 Human Trafficking
- Week 11:** October 16 Child Exploitation / Internet Crimes Against Children
- Week 12:** October 23 Law Enforcement Q&A / Graduation Ceremony



Those wishing to apply should visit <https://www.mctxdao.org/get-involved> and click on 'Citizen Prosecutor Academy Application.' Applications will be accepted for this class until **July 14, 2023**. All applicants must be 18 years of age to apply and will undergo a criminal background check. For more information, those interested can send an email to DA.Citizen@mctx.org.

District Attorney Brett Ligon: "I am committed to this program so that citizens of Montgomery County can continue to get a closer look at what we are doing each day to keep our County safe. This program provides a fun and educational experience for anyone who is looking to learn more about how a District Attorney's office fits in the criminal justice process."