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Columbus Police 129th Recruit Class Graduation

On Friday July 6, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. the 129th Columbus Police Recruit Class will graduate at the Columbus Police Academy after completing twenty-nine weeks of training as they began on Monday December 18, 2017. The class is comprised of forty-five officers, thirty-two Columbus officers and six outside agencies:

Gahanna- one
New Albany – one
Grove City - two
Westerville – two
Ohio State University - three
Hilliard – four

***Fun Facts on the 129th: Officers include an Ohio State University football player, Fmr. West Virginia State Police, Fmr. Shaker Heights Police Officer and an officer who stands 6'8" tall! Also during the 29 weeks of training 2 recruits got married and 2 babies were born.

The Columbus Police graduates will complete fifteen weeks of field training beginning on Sunday July 8, 2018.

The Columbus Police Academy first recruit class graduated in 1938 and the Ohio Peace Officers Training Academy [OPOTA] first mandated standards for certification on January 1, 1966. The 128th Recruit Class will also recognize the 23rd Recruit Class during the graduation ceremony. The 23rd graduated on September 15, 1955 and will have their class flag recognized and posted during the ceremony.

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