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Columbus Police 149th Recruit Class Set to Graduate

The Columbus Division of Police is pleased to announce the graduation of the 149th recruit class. A graduation ceremony will take place on Friday, March 20, 2026, at 10 a.m. at the Columbus Police Academy, located at 1000 North Hague Avenue.

The recruits have completed over 30 weeks of intense academic, physical, and practical training in areas including patrol procedures, law enforcement tactics, firearms training, unarmed defense, vehicle operations, mental health and crisis intervention, emergency medical care, community-oriented public safety, and cultural diversity.

“Today marks not just the completion of academy training, but the beginning of a lifelong commitment to service,” said Columbus Division of Police Chief Elaine R. Bryant. “I am confident they will uphold the core values of our Division.”

The class is comprised of 58 officers; 56 Columbus Division of Police officers and 2 officers representing the Columbus Division of Fire.

Members of the media interested in attending must arrive promptly by 9:45 a.m. Interviews with a select number of police recruits will be made available following the graduation ceremony.

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