



**WATERTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT
128 NORTH MAPLE
WATERTOWN, SD 57201**

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Dear Explorer Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the Watertown Police Department Law Enforcement Explorer Program.

The Watertown Police Department Explorer Program is a dedicated group of young adults (14-20) who have an interest in pursuing a law enforcement career. These young adults become involved in many department activities and assist our officers in many different aspects of their job, including but not limited to, fingerprinting, ride-a-longs, and traffic control.

The minimum requirements to become a Police Explorer are:

- Interest in pursuing a law enforcement career,
- Must maintain a 2.5 GPA (C average),
- No felony convictions,
- No misdemeanor violence convictions (Assaults),
- Regular school attendance with no unexcused absences within the last six months.

If you believe that you can meet the demands of becoming a Police Explorer, then I would like to invite you to begin the process. Attached to this letter you will find an application that you will need to complete and return to the Watertown Police Department. It is very important that you take your time and complete the application thoroughly and accurately. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Once you complete the application, please drop off or mail to:

Watertown Police Department
Attn: Police Explorer Program
128 North Maple
Watertown, SD 57201

Once again, I commend you for considering a new adventure as a Watertown Police Explorer. Once your application is accepted, a representative will be in contact with you to schedule an interview with you and your parents/guardians.

Sincerely,

Watertown Police Department Explorer Program



**WATERTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT
POLICE EXPLORERS PROGRAM**

APPLICANT INFORMATION:

Name: _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Address: _____
(Numbers) (Street) (City) (Zip code)

Telephone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Date of Birth: ____/____/____ DL Number: _____ DL State: _____

Father's Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Address: _____
(Numbers) (Street) (City) (Zip code)

Mother's Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Address: _____
(Numbers) (Street) (City) (Zip code)

Who should be notified in case of emergency?

- [] Mother [] Father [] Other Guardian (Specify Below)

Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Address: _____
(Numbers) (Street) (City) (Zip code)

EDUCATION INFORMATION:

Are you currently enrolled in school? [] Yes [] No

Name of current school/college: _____

If Current College Student, what program: _____

List other schools attended (most recent and work backwards):

1. _____ Did you graduate? [] Yes [] No
 - Dates: _____ to _____

2. _____ Did you graduate? [] Yes [] No
 - Dates: _____ to _____

3. _____ Did you graduate? [] Yes [] No
 - Dates: _____ to _____

WORK EXPERIENCE:

Do not indicate "SEE RESUME." List all jobs in the last five years. Be specific in describing these jobs (paid or volunteer). Be sure to list each change in title or promotion separately. If qualifying experience is part time or volunteer be sure to list the number of hours per week spent doing the work. You may use additional sheets if necessary. Begin with your present or most recent job and work backwards.

From: _____ To: _____ Number of Hours per Week: _____

Employer: _____ Telephone: _____

Title of Position: _____ Supervisor: _____

Duties: _____

Reason for leaving (be specific): _____

From: _____ To: _____ Number of Hours per Week: _____

Employer: _____ Telephone: _____

Title of Position: _____ Supervisor: _____

Duties: _____

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Employer: _____ Telephone: _____

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From: _____ To: _____ Number of Hours per Week: _____

Employer: _____ Telephone: _____

Title of Position: _____ Supervisor: _____

Duties: _____

Reason for leaving (be specific): _____

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Have you ever been arrested? Yes No

If yes, when, where, and provide an explanation: _____

REFERENCES:

List five (5) personal references (not relatives).

- 1. Name: _____ Telephone: _____
Address: _____
(Numbers) (Street) (City) (Zip code)
- 2. Name: _____ Telephone: _____
Address: _____
(Numbers) (Street) (City) (Zip code)
- 3. Name: _____ Telephone: _____
Address: _____
(Numbers) (Street) (City) (Zip code)
- 4. Name: _____ Telephone: _____
Address: _____
(Numbers) (Street) (City) (Zip code)
- 5. Name: _____ Telephone: _____
Address: _____
(Numbers) (Street) (City) (Zip code)

CERTIFICATE OF APPLICANT:

I certify all information shown in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also consent to having my photograph and/or video image used in future promotional materials. I understand and agree that any and all misstatements or omissions of material facts on any of the foregoing documents may herein subject me to disqualification or dismissal.

(Applicant's Signature) Date: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE (IF UNDER 18):

I agree to allow my child to participate in the Watertown Police Explorer's program. I also consent to having my child's photograph and/or video image used in future promotional materials.

(Parent or Guardian's Name – Print) Date: _____

(Parent or Guardian's Signature)