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DPD Accepting Job Applications for Officer Positions; There's Still Time to Apply for September 2020 Police Academy

The Durham Police Department (DPD) is holding its last week of applicant testing to fill recruit positions for the department's basic law enforcement training academy that begins in September 2020. Upcoming applicant testing, conducted by the Recruiting Unit, will be held July 14, 15 and 16 (Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday) at 8 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. daily. Walk-ins are not permitted. Interested applicants should contact the following DPD Recruiters **immediately** to find out next steps to apply:

[Senior Officer Robert Jones \(Robert.Jones@durhamnc.gov\)](mailto:Robert.Jones@durhamnc.gov)

[Officer Charles Strickland \(Charles.Strickland@durhamnc.gov\)](mailto:Charles.Strickland@durhamnc.gov)

[Officer Pamela Shackleford \(Pamela.Shackleford@durhamnc.gov\)](mailto:Pamela.Shackleford@durhamnc.gov)

Social Distancing Measures. In March of this year the Recruiting Unit amended its applicant interview and testing processes to be in accordance with the City's stay-at-home-order and social distancing guidelines due to COVID-19. Although open houses and in-person interview activities were suspended, applications were continually accepted.

The Recruiting Unit has implemented a number of safeguards as part of the applicant testing process which includes written and physical assessments. These precautionary measures include instructing applicants to wait in their cars until their designated appointment time and to wear masks; screening applicants for temperatures; and staggering small-group testing times.

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