



Bastrop ISD Police Department

To: Barry Edwards & the BISD Board of Trustees Lt.
From: Colin Shadwell, Lieutenant Bastrop ISD Police
Date: June, 2025
Re: News, information, and department updates

Police Department

★ As of this week, all of our officers have completed the ALERRT Level 1 course as mandated by Senate Bill 1852. That legislation was a result of the Uvalde incident which directed peace officers in the state of Texas to attend the active attack training at least once before August 31, 2027. Additionally, the law requires officers to complete 16 hours of ALERRT training every two-year training unit.

★ Our officers are assisting DPS and BCSO in ALERRT training June 9th thru the 12th at Lost Pines Elementary. We also have several officers attending the training. These partnerships are the cornerstone to our students and staff safety. We will continue to train together and work together to enhance the safety of our district.

The ALERRT (Advanced Law Enforcement Rapid Response Training) Center at Texas State University was created in 2002 as a partnership between Texas State University, the San Marcos, Texas Police Department and the Hays County, Texas Sheriff's Office to address the need for active shooter response training for first responders. In 2013, ALERRT at Texas State was named the National Standard in Active Shooter Response Training by the FBI.

★ We have concluded our background investigations of 3 police applicants. We have recommended three applicants who all live local and have law enforcement experience. Two currently work for another ISD Police Department and one works for BCSO.

★ We are in the final phase of starting our own Police Explorer Program which is a career education and experience-based program, sponsored by law enforcement agencies, that provides young adults, ages 14-20, with hands-on opportunities to learn about and explore careers in law enforcement. These programs offer training, practical experiences, and community service activities, all while promoting personal growth and character development.

★ All of our officers are attending a variety of training this summer while also taking some much needed and deserved time off. This is the time of year our officers try and get as much training as possible in.