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SSCC police academy in Hillsboro Training will begin at central campus in August

Southern State Community College announced Monday that its Basic Peace Officer Training Academy has moved from Washington Court House to Hillsboro and classes will begin in August.

With the closure of SSC Fayette Campus in WCH last year, the police academy has found a new home at the college's Central Campus in Hillsboro.

Classes will begin Aug. 22, 2022 and continue through May 2023. The deadline for submitting applications is July 16, 2022. Classes are offered Monday through Thursday from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. and Saturday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The 740-hour program provides students with the fundamentals of entrylevel peace officer training for employment as a law enforcement officer.

Law Enforcement Program Director Robin Roche said the programmill "fully prepare students to enter a challenging yet rewarding career.

"It takes a courageous person to consider a lifetime role of protecting his or her fellow citizens," he said. Law enforcement personnel offer valuable contributions to making or communities safer places to live.

Roche added that the educational journey doesn't have to end with getting a certificate or degree from Southern State.

"We encourage our graduates to enter their careers with enthusiasm, and always seek new education and training opportunities," he said.