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MICHIGAN STATE POLICE

135th Trooper Recruit School Begins

Advances Made Attracting Diverse Candidates, New Recruiting Video Released

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LANSING, MICH. The Michigan State Police is pleased to announce that 128 recruits just completed the first week of 26 weeks of training to become Michigan State Troopers, including the largest number of women in over two decades.

“At a time when police agencies nationwide are struggling to find qualified candidates, we have worked extremely hard to improve our recruiting and selection process to attract the most qualified women and men who best reflect the communities we serve,” said Col. Kriste Kibbey Etue, director of the Michigan State Police (MSP). “With 23 women in this class and 24 recruits who identify as a racial minority, this class is our most diverse recruit class in the last 20 years.”

To continue to build on this momentum, the MSP is redoubling recruiting efforts to find candidates for future trooper recruit schools, including launching new videos on social media to share the agency's mission and message. The first video, “On the Lookout,” can be viewed on [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#).

During recruit school, recruits reside at the MSP Training Academy from Sunday through Friday each week. Between wake-up at 5 a.m. and lights-out at 10 p.m., they will receive over 1,200 hours of instruction in criminal law, patrol techniques, defensive tactics, ethics, cultural diversity and implicit bias, first aid, report writing, firearms, water safety, crime scene processing and precision driving.

Recruits who successfully complete recruit school will graduate on April 3, 2019.

To learn more about a career with the MSP or begin the application process, visit www.michigan.gov/mspjobs.

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135th Trooper Recruit School Participants:

Hometown	Last Name	First Name
Ada	Wade	Kial
Adrian	Marston	Lucas
Allegan	Kelley	Austin
Allen Park	Crawford	Russell
Auburn	Irish	Sarah
Avoca	Salski	Nicholas
Battle Creek	Grosteffon	Conner
Bellaire	Droste	Kristina
Berkley	Birnie	Blair
Bessemer	Maxinoski	Paul
Birmingham	Harris	Ariel
Brooklyn	Breckel	Dalton
Brownstown	Richey	Shayd
Brownstown	Lee-Scott	Roger
Brownstown	Everidge II	James
Burtchville	Bradley	Cory
Burton	Rivard	Eric
Canton	Mejia	Rene
Casco	Pitcel	Dustin
Cass City	Ross	Kyle
Cassopolis	Christodoulides	Costas
Charlevoix	Knoop	Braden
Charlotte	Hall	Brandon
Clinton Township	Hinson	Kleo
Clio	Stebner	Emily
Corunna	Rzepecki	Courtney
Dearborn Heights	Sharp	Taylor A.
Decatur	Haas	Dakotah
Detroit	Sims Jr.	Kevin
Detroit	Davis	Michael
Dundee	Mravec IV	Joseph
East Lansing	Epps	Lyndsey
Eastpointe	Harris-Savage	Shakera
Farmington Hills	Langham	Landon
Farmington Hills	Smith	Laquan
Farmington Hills	Hunter	Tevin
Fennville	Hoffman	Daniel
Fenton	Viviano	Robert
Flint	Purches	Nariyel
Flushing	McKenzie	Austin

Flushing	Meixsell	Emily
Freeland	Menzel	Rebecca
Gaylord	Kaiser	Kevin
Gaylord	Wehner	Jonathan
Gaylord	Sink	Nathan
Gladstone	Ray	JaynaRae
Gladstone	Robinson	Stefin
Gladwin	Aguilera	Saul
Goodrich	Sims	Madalyn
Goodrich	Hovey	Nikolas
Grand Blanc	Pila	Gunnar
Grand Blanc	Humphrey	Donzell
Grand Rapids	DeVries	Jason
Grand Rapids	Torres-Garcia	Juan
Greenville	Oliver	Mitchell
Hamilton	Burress	Jamison
Harbor Springs	Roberts	Justin
Haslett	Knudsen	Jared
Holt	Sharp	Taylor C.
Holt	Dennany	Nicholas
Holt	Holton	Zachary
Honor	Reszka	Nicholas
Howell	Egan	Colleen
Howell	Mansfield	Joseph
Jackson	Owen	Jacob
Kimball	Howell Jr.	Corey
Lansing	Humes	Anna
Lansing	Krause	Matthew
Lansing	Baxter	Jimmy
Lansing	Lamond	Robert
Lansing	Edwards III	Harris
Lansing	Pineda	Colton
Lansing	Morrison	Cody
Macomb	O'Neil	Clayton
Mancelona	Bielecki	Kaitlyn
Manton	Burnside	Michael
Manton	Morris	Darren
Manton	Birgy	Kaylie
Manton	Swanson II	Robert
Marshall	Smith	Tracey
Mason	Carlson	Matthew
Mason	Piper-Harris	Dalton
Mason	Starr	Caleb

Mattawan	Campbell	Kylie
Middleville	Kneibel	Mitchell
Montrose	Kettler	Kyle
Mt. Pleasant	Helcher	Drew
Mt. Pleasant	Yeagley	Matthew
Munger	Syring	Garrett
Muskegon	Taylor	Jayson
Muskegon	Nichols	Maxwell
Muskegon	Wansten	Kyle
Muskegon	Mosley	Nathan
Negaunee	Fezatt	Evan
Newberry	Sumbera	Shiloh
Novi	Gatt	Robert
Paw Paw	Hug	Coty
Perry	Jared	Andrew
Rapid River	Kanyuh	George
Richland	Gaudard	Patrick
Roscommon	Hammon	Laken
Saginaw	Dugan	Kevin
Saginaw	Farnham	Chloe
Saginaw	Montez	Cole
Saginaw	Dennis	Eric
Saginaw	Houghton	Dustin
Scottville	Ward	Ryan
Seminole, Texas	Lintz	Isaiah
Shelby	Bahena	Freddy
Shepherd	Wolford	Andrew
South Rockwood	Lambrix	Benjamin
Southfield	Harden	Kenneth
St. Clair	McCabe	Cody
St. Clair Shores	Choice	Jacob
St. Ignace	St. Louis	Curtis
Swartz Creek	Hatt	Cody
Tecumseh	Birt III	Michael
Tecumseh	Ruch	Andrew
Temperance	Vander Vlucht	Justin
Three Rivers	Sussdorf	Alex
Traverse City	Lott	Kyle
Traverse City	Patterson	Jeffrey
Traverse City	Knowles	Tyler
Traverse City	Floering	Tyler
Waterford	Okaiye	Matthew
Westphalia	Van Ells	Dane

Winona Lake, Ind.	Harman	Cristal
Ypsilanti	Grubbs	Kyle

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SPECIAL NOTE: The media is invited to spend a day in the life of an MSP trooper recruit. For the full recruit school experience, reporters are encouraged to spend a day at the MSP Training Academy. To make arrangements, email Sgt. Cimmeron McRae at McRaeC@michigan.gov.