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WESTMORELAND COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Municipal Police Officers' Training Academy **2026 MUNICIPAL POLICE OFFICERS'** **IN-SERVICE TRAINING CLASSES**



M.P.O.E.T.C. Mandated 2026 Municipal Police Officers' In-Service Classes

ABSOLUTELY NO WALK IN'S ARE PERMITTED: ALL STUDENTS MUST REGISTER VIA EMAIL: prattmel@westmoreland.edu

YOUNGWOOD CLASS SIZES ARE LIMITED TO 25 Attendees

To register for the 2026 mandatory in-service classes, emails MUST be sent to prattmel@westmoreland.edu. DO NOT ATTEMPT TO REGISTER BY FAX or PHONE. You may register for updates after December 8, 2025. Be prepared to provide *via email*, the officer's name, contact information (home or department address, etc.), date of birth, email address, phone number, class location and date of the desired class(es).

The 2026 mandatory in-service program requires all Municipal Police Officers to complete twelve (12) hours of training, exclusive of administrative and examination time.

Training Locations:

Classes are scheduled in Ligonier, North Huntingdon, Rostraver, Connellsville, and Youngwood. **Classes may be scheduled at additional locations provided there is a minimum of 12 officers per class.**

Municipal Police Department Registration Begins December 8, 2025.

Municipal Police Department Agencies

There is no cost to attend the 2026 MPOETC sponsored legal update classes for Municipal Police Departments.

Non-municipal Law Enforcement Agencies

All Non-municipal Law Enforcement Agencies attendees will be charged by Westmoreland County Community College \$100.00.

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2026 COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

26-001 Legal Updates (Mandatory)

This three-hour course will review recent statutory changes and additions to PA Crimes Code, Vehicle Code, and Rules of Criminal Procedures. Significant state and federal case laws will also be highlighted.



26-002 - Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) (Mandatory)

This three-hour course will provide officers with the understanding and resources to effectively de-escalate interactions with those suffering from mental illnesses. Officers will learn more effective problem-solving techniques to promote positive outcomes when responding to high intensity incidents.



26-003 - Trauma Informed Policing (Optional):

This three-hour course will train officers to understand how trauma impacts victims as well as the officers themselves. It will provide tools to better establish trust and rapport with their community all while providing more effective policing. It will also empower officers to better understand how repeated exposure to trauma impacts them and resources to work through the issues.



26-004 - Responding to Child Abuse allegations (Optional):

This course will provide the officers with the basic tools to recognize and triage an initial report of physical or sexual abuse, sexual exploitation, or criminal neglect of a child. Officers will understand how to ensure the safety of the child and preservation of potential evidence as well as what resources are available for further investigation.



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2026 IN-SERVICE TRAINING SCHEDULE January 2026 to September 2026

Pre-Registration is Required – To register email Melissa Pratt at prattmel@westmoreland.edu
No walk-ins or unregistered attendees are permitted to attend training.

Cancellation Policy: If the college is closed because of adverse weather conditions, the announcement will be made through local radio and TV media. If the media announces the college is closed then In-Service Training classes will not be held. You may also check the college web site at www.westmoreland.edu. Once registered, if your officers are not able to attend, please contact WESTMORELAND COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE telephone registration at 724-925-4204 and withdraw them from the class.

Attire: Uniform or Business Casual attire is acceptable. The college reserves the right to deny admittance to training because of inappropriate attire, including tank tops, shorts, halter tops, or other unprofessional attire.

Attendance: **MPOETC Regulations do not permit late entry or early departure from training.**

Identification - An attendee must produce a current MPOETC police certification card or a law enforcement identification card to participate in these classes.



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2026 Winter Class Offerings

Location	Day	Date	Time	Course Title – Online Registration Code	
Ligonier Municipal Building	Thu	1/22	8:00 – 11:30	Legal Updates - Ligonier	
1 Municipal Park Dr. Ligonier, PA	Thu	1/22	12:30 – 4:00	Crisis Intervention Teams - Ligonier	
	Fri	1/23	8:00 – 11:30	Child Abuse Investigations- Ligonier	
	Fri	1/23	12:30 – 4:00	Trauma-informed Policing - Ligonier	

Youngwood Campus	Mon	2/02	8:00-11:30 am	Legal Updates – Youngwood-1	
BIC Building RM 4404 145 Pavilion Lane Youngwood, PA	Mon	2/02	12:30-4:00 pm	Crisis Intervention Teams – Youngwood-1	
	Tue	2/03	8:00-11:30 am	Child Abuse Investigations– Youngwood-1	
	Tue	2/03	12:30-4:00 pm	Trauma-informed Policing – Youngwood-1	

North Huntingdon P.D.	Tue	2/10	8:00-11:30 am	Legal Updates – North Huntingdon	
N. Huntingdon Public Works Building 12319 Rt. 30 West North Huntingdon, PA 15642	Tue	2/10	12:30-4:00 pm	Crisis Intervention Teams – North Huntingdon	
	Wed	2/11	8:00-11:30 am	Child Abuse Investigations– North Huntingdon	
	Wed	2/11	12:30-4:00 pm	Trauma-informed Policing – North Huntingdon	

Youngwood Campus	Thu	2/12	8:00-11:30 am	Legal Updates – Youngwood-2	
BIC Building RM 4404 145 Pavilion Lane Youngwood, PA	Thu	2/12	12:30-4:00 pm	Crisis Intervention Teams – Youngwood-2	
	Fri	2/13	8:00-11:30 am	Child Abuse Investigations - Youngwood-2	
	Fri	2/13	12:30-4:00 pm	Trauma-informed Policing – Youngwood-2	

Rostraver Municipal Bld.	Tue	2/17	8:00-11:30 am	Legal Updates – Rostraver-1	
Conference Room 202 Port Royal Road Belle Vernon, PA	Tue	2/17	12:30-4:00 pm	Crisis Intervention Teams – Rostraver-1	
	Wed	2/18	8:00-11:30 am	Child Abuse Investigations – Rostraver-1	
	Wed	2/18	12:30-4:00 pm	Trauma-informed Policing – Rostraver-1	

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2026 SPRING CLASS OFFERINGS

Location	Day	Date	Time	Course Title – Online Registration Code	
Youngwood Campus	Thu	3/12	8:00-11:30 am	Legal Updates – Youngwood-3	
BIC Building RM 4404 145 Pavilion Lane Youngwood, PA	Thu	3/12	12:30-4:00 pm	Crisis Intervention Teams – Youngwood-3	
	Fri	3/13	8:00-11:30 am	Child Abuse Investigations– Youngwood-3	
	Fri	3/13	12:30-4:00 pm	Trauma-informed Policing – Youngwood-3	

Rostraver Municipal Bld.	Tue	3/24	8:00-11:30 am	Legal Updates – Rostraver - 2	
Conference Room 202 Port Royal Road Belle Vernon, PA	Tue	3/24	12:30-4:00 pm	Crisis Intervention Teams – Rostraver-2	
	Wed	3/25	8:00-11:30 am	Child Abuse Investigations– Rostraver-2	
	Wed	3/25	12:30-4:00 pm	Trauma-informed Policing – Rostraver-2	

Connellsville Fire Hall	Tue	4/21	8:00-11:30 am	Legal Updates – Connellsville-1	
East Side 201 Rear N. Arch Ave. Connellsville, PA 15425	Tue	4/21	12:30-4:00 pm	Crisis Intervention Teams – Connellsville-1	
	Wed	4/22	8:00-11:30 am	Child Abuse Investigations– Connellsville-1	
	Wed	4/22	12:30-4:00 pm	Trauma-informed Policing – Connellsville-1	

Connellsville Fire Hall	Tue	5/19	8:00-11:30 am	Legal Updates – Connellsville-2	
East Side 201 Rear N. Arch Ave. Connellsville, PA 15425	Tue	5/19	12:30-4:00 pm	Crisis Intervention Teams – Connellsville-2	
	Wed	5/20	8:00-11:30 am	Child Abuse Investigations– Connellsville-2	
	Wed	5/20	12:30-4:00 pm	Trauma-informed Policing – Connellsville-2	

2026 FALL CLASS OFFERINGS

Location	Day	Date	Time	Course Title – Online Registration Code	
Youngwood Campus	Thu	9/03	8:00-11:30 am	Legal Updates – Youngwood - 4	
BIC Building RM 4404 145 Pavilion Lane Youngwood, PA	Thu	9/03	12:30-4:00 pm	Crisis Intervention Teams – Youngwood-4	
	Fri	9/04	8:00-11:30 am	Child Abuse Investigations– Youngwood-4	
	Fri	9/04	12:30-4:00 pm	Trauma-informed Policing – Youngwood-4	