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## 2020 SHERIFF AND DEPUTY SHERIFF CONTINUING EDUCATION

The new curriculum and delivery method for the 2020 continuing education cycle will be rolled out in January 2020. As was previously published, continuing education is now required every year and will be delivered online through Temple University's Canvas Learning Platform. Further information on accessing that platform will be published prior to the start of the training cycle.

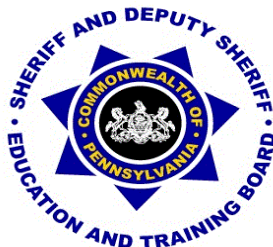
All currently certified and active sheriffs and deputies have a new certification date until December 31, 2020. All personnel will have from January until December 4, 2020 to complete 10 hours of online continuing education to recertify through December 31, 2021. This training consists of the following subjects:

Legal Updates	2 hours
Officer Safety	4 hours
Social Media for Law Enforcement	4 hours

Each subject will have an exam. Per Board policy, each exam will require a 70% to pass and there will be one retest allowed for each exam failed. Should a student fail any exam twice or does not successfully complete the full continuing education training (10 hours) by December 4, 2020, the employing sheriff will have to request, through PCCD, re-enrollment for the student. There will be no certification time extensions due to test failures or failure to complete the training on time.

At the completion of continuing education training and after the grades are submitted and accepted for each student, an electronic reimbursement form will be generated through the Sheriff and Deputy Sheriff Information System (SDSIS). A flat hourly rate for each student for 10 hours of training will be authorized. No mileage or meals will be reimbursed. As a reminder, although the Board is not currently paying reimbursements due to the status of the training fund, counties still need to submit the reimbursement request within 18 months of the date the form was issued, or the reimbursement will expire. Once submitted, the form is locked in, and will be considered by the Board when the Board can again pay reimbursements.

There are certain hardware and software requirements for utilizing the Canvas Learning Platform. Those are outlined on the following table. If you utilize a system that does not meet these minimum requirements some or all of the applications may not function.



**TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS – CANVAS LEARNING PLATFORM**

***Personal Computer & Supported Operating Systems***

Modern PC running Windows 7+ or higher

Modern PC running Macintosh OS X/10 or higher

***Supported Browsers (Minimum Operating Standards)***

**Chrome** 77 and 78 (Windows & Macintosh)

**Firefox** 69 and 70 (Windows & Macintosh)

**Edge** 44 (Windows only)

**Safari** 12 and 13 (Macintosh only)

***Internet***

Broadband Internet access

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***Required Plugins and Extensions***

JavaScript

Flash

**Additional information about online registration and training will be published in the next two months. It is important that copies of bulletins and instructions reach each of your deputies. These documents will be provided to you both in hard copy and electronically.**

**GRANT ANNOUNCEMENT – BODY WORN CAMERAS**

The Office of Criminal Justice System Improvements of the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD) will soon be announcing the availability of federal Body-Worn Camera (BWC) Policy and Implementation funds for County Sheriffs

Under this competitive solicitation, funds will be made available to support the implementation of BWC programs in County Sheriff offices across Pennsylvania. These funds will support the development and implementation of policies and practices for effective program adoption, and includes factors such as the purchase, deployment, and maintenance of camera systems and equipment; data storage and access; and privacy considerations. A dollar for dollar match will be required.

Important detailed information regarding this grant opportunity will be included in the funding announcement. You can subscribe to receive email notifications when this and other grant opportunities are available by registering to receive [funding announcement notifications](https://www.pccdegrants.pa.gov/Egrants/Public/Subscribe.aspx) (<https://www.pccdegrants.pa.gov/Egrants/Public/Subscribe.aspx>). Please see the following link for more information on PCCD's grant process: <https://www.pccd.pa.gov/Funding/Pages/default.aspx>.

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