

Program Overview

A six day camp to introduce students interested in pursuing a career in law enforcement or a branch of the military. The program includes but not limited to marching in platoon formation, participate in a drill competition, physical training, forensics, canine, SERT team, drug laws, marksmanship course, and familiarity with weapons.

To participate:

- Students should be physically fit.
- In good health.
- Have a good academic record.

This is not a Recreational Camp

Eligibility

Must be a resident of Pennsylvania, between the ages of 15-17 prior to entering the camp on June 5th.

Cost

Fee of \$175.00* includes meals and lodging. The fee is paid by the sponsoring post/unit or other civic group, and is Non-Refundable.

*price subject to change

TRANSPORTATION

The responsibility of the sponsoring group or the parents of the student.

Awards

Scott Ball Outstanding Cadet Memorial Award

For the cadet who shows best merit; winner receives an American Legion plaque and \$1000.00 towards a degree in law enforcement or enters the military.

Elmer Hafer Essay Award

For the best essay; winner will receive a plaque and a \$1000.00 scholarship.

William Evans Leadership Award

For the cadet who shows the best leadership ability; winner receives a plaque and \$1000.00



To get an application or if you have any questions, contact

American Legion
Department of Pennsylvania
Telephone: 717-730-9100

or

Visit our web site at www.pa-legion.com

**FOR THE 50TH
ANNIVERSARY**

Sponsored by:

Pennsylvania American Legion

Pennsylvania State Police

Pennsylvania National Guard



June 5-11, 2022

**Messiah University
Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania**

State Police Youth Week:

Established in 1970 to increase understanding among the youth of Pennsylvania and its law enforcement. In 2010 the Pennsylvania National Guard joined with the American Legion and the State Police with the same objectives to give the cadets the chance to see and experience firsthand many areas of law enforcement, and military which includes leadership, discipline, and self-esteem.

On September 21, 2019, by resolution the name was changed from State Police Youth Week to the Elmer Hafer, American Legion, State Police, National Guard Youth Camp



Mission:

To prepare the cadets thru moral, intellectual and physical aspects to become future leaders of the Commonwealth, and instill in them courage, honor, and commitment.



Do They Like It?

Cadets Write:

"I have seen and felt firsthand the benefits of the camp and wherever I run into graduates of the camp they are excelling in what they do from the civilian world to the armed forces. I was a part of the 45th class of the State Police Youth Week and loved every second of it so thanks for all you and the rest of the staff do to keep it running".

"They taught us discipline and to work together as one so we could achieve our goals. The desire to accomplish and succeed was always there."

"Thank you for letting me have the opportunity and the experience of being able to attend the Camp. It has been a rewarding experience!"

Parents Write:

"Our son joined the army reserve and will be leaving for basic training this summer. We would also like to thank you for the experience Tyler had last year. He has talked a lot about it since he attended. He had a great time, and it shaped his future. Almost as soon as he turned 17 yoa he enlisted in the military and he said some of that was because of the camp he attended last summer. So thank you a million times. "

"Our son hasn't stopped talking about it yet. Seldom does he show this much enthusiasm over anything...what a wonderful program it was, and what an impression it made on a 15-year-old-boy."

"He has yet to cease talking and has truly been affected in the most positive way... We're very proud of his new-found maturity and the respect he has for all of you. A job well done!!!"

Field Trips:

Firing Range: Cadets are taught by certified NRA instructors, in the use of firearms.

Ski Roundtop Rope Course: Cadets are taught team building skills, and demonstrate how to use them.

Pennsylvania State Police Academy: Cadets experience some of the training the Troopers receive.

Ft Indiantown Gap: Cadets are shown some of military operations.



Daily Schedule

0530-0610	Physical Exercise
0615-0655	Room Maintenance /Inspection
0700-0740	Breakfast
0750	Colors
0800-1150	Classroom
1200-1250	Noon Meal
1300-1650	Classroom
1700-1750	Evening Meal
1800	Retreat
1810-2050	Classroom
2100-2150	Cadet Time
2200	Call to Quarters
2215	Lights Out

