



PASCO SHERIFF'S OFFICE EXPLORER POST 916 ALL-POSTING INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: All members

DATE: August 10th, 2020

FROM: Corporal Jeremy Hixson

SUBJECT: Current Affairs

REFERENCE: General Meetings

I hope everyone is doing well and staying safe. This memorandum will address the return of General Meetings.

It has been determined Explorer general meetings will follow the school schedule set by the district school board; when students are in school, Explorers will have meetings. I am pleased to announce our first general meeting from this hiatus will be Tuesday, August 25th, 2020, during the first week of school. Meetings are still held at Safety Town, 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM. Visitors/interested applicants may arrive at 5:00 PM to complete any necessary steps in the recruiting process.

Precautionary steps are being taken to minimize potential health hazards while Explorers attend general meetings. For the general meetings, we will adhere to the following steps:

- Practice social distancing while indoors
- While indoors, wear a mask anytime someone is within six feet from another person for more than 15 minutes (masks are available to those who need one)
- Check temperature readings on all persons entering the Safety Town building for a fever
- Assess all persons for flu-like symptoms (coughing, excessive sneezing, fever, etc.)
- Disinfect classroom tables, door knobs, and/or other areas commonly used by Explorers
- Explorers are encouraged to wash their hands with soap and water throughout the day/meeting

Ride Alongs remain suspended until further notice. Explorers who experience any flu-like symptoms before attending a general meeting should not attend.

I would like to emphasize: the Explorer Program is a volunteer organization. Explorers who are concerned with contracting an illness or do not feel comfortable attending the general meetings do not need to attend. Conversely – to maintain an active status – Explorers must submit a memorandum via their chain of command if they intend to miss three or more consecutive meetings (pursuant to EXP General Order 0200(I)(C)) for approved leave.

To the Explorers, I look forward to meeting all of you in person. If anything changes, information will be posted on the website and/or relayed through the chain of command. Stay safe.