

An Experience of a Lifetime

The Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office Eagle Academy is the first voluntary program of its kind to provide at-risk youth a residential, military style learning experience. This unique program is specifically designed for boys and girls, ages 13 to 16, and its focus is to provide an environment that emphasizes:

- **Life Skills**
- **Decision-Making**
- **Self-Esteem**
- **Team Building**
- **Anger Management**

The curriculum presents many educational and physically demanding challenges in an effort to promote self-discipline and personal growth.

The Eagle Academy is a residential facility supervised by law enforcement and professional staff. The program services are designed based upon a military model that focuses on life-style change for at-risk youth. Upon completion of the six-month residential program, 90-day after-care follow-up process supports our mission to change youth behavior and to prevent criminal involvement in the community, at school and/or in the home.



Who Qualifies... to participate in the Eagle Academy Program?

- "At-Risk" boys and girls, ages 13 to 16
- Must be a Palm Beach County resident
- No prior felony conviction (non-adjudicated)
- YOUTH MUST VOLUNTEER to attend



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*Endeavor Always to Grow,
Learn and Enhance*

Most Frequently Asked Questions...

Is there a fee to participate?

Services are free for all Palm Beach County residents.

Is clothing provided to a new recruit?

No, parents will be responsible for purchasing uniform items.



Are there any other expenses or responsibilities to be covered by parent/guardian?

Yes, personal items (i.e. soap, sunscreen) and proof of a recent sports physical examination are required prior to entering the program.

Where will the recruits reside?

The Eagle Academy has separate boys and girls barracks. Youths are supervised at all times.

Are meals provided?

Yes, three nutritionally balanced meals and two snacks per day.

Are medical services provided?

Yes, a nurse (RN) is available 24-hours a day.

Who sponsors the Eagle Academy?

The Eagle Academy is fully funded by the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office.

Is visitation allowed?

Yes, weekly visits are required by parent/guardian.

Is the Eagle Academy safe and secure?

Yes, the Eagle Academy is supervised by sworn PBSO deputy sheriffs and other professional staff. The staff includes: a Captain, Lieutenant, Sergeants, Corporals, Drill Instructors, Case Managers and Support Staff.

Is education provided?

Yes, education is provided in partnership with the Palm Beach County School District and PBSO.

Does the Eagle Academy experience assist parents/guardians in exercising parental authority?

Yes, Case Managers provide classes to improve parenting skills at mandatory weekly meetings.



Are there any recreational sports programs available for the recruits?

Yes, a variety of physical activities are offered to improve self-esteem, physical conditioning, anger management and team building.

Can parents/guardians force their child to attend the program?

No, the program is successful in part because the youth has volunteered for this challenging residential program.

The Eagle Academy provides mentoring and life skills training.

