

SHP Welcomes 25 New Cadets

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The State Highway Patrol Training Academy in Raleigh welcomed 25 cadets this month striving for the opportunity to be called trooper. The new recruits are a part of the 146th Basic Patrol School scheduled for fifteen weeks of intense physical, mental and academic training. This “short school” is comprised of men and women who are certified in Basic Law Enforcement Training (BLET), which cuts down on their time at the training academy compared to that of the traditional 29 week school for non-BLET certified applicants.

The first day of Basic Patrol School is often the hardest for the cadets as they adjust to the para-military style of training that is instilled from the moment they are asked “Whoever wants to be a trooper form up.” The class very quickly learns that teamwork will be essential to success. From learning the basics of marching and dormitory cleaning procedures, to firearms and advanced collision investigation, each block of instruction is completed with a purpose during their time on campus.

Those members of 146th Basic Patrol School who successfully complete the training will graduate on Nov. 16, 2018.

