

Public Service Endorsement Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security Career Cluster

The Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security Career Cluster focuses on planning, managing, and providing legal services, public safety, protective services, and homeland security, including professional and technical support services. Students will examine the roles and responsibilities of police, courts, corrections, private security, and other agencies that provide emergency services.

Texas Administrative Code Title 37, Part 7, chapter 215, Rule 215.21:

- (a) **In addition to the units of the basic peace officer course, a law enforcement academy shall report 40 additional training hours for an applicant who provides a high school transcript indicating that the applicant has earned a public services endorsement under Texas Education Code 28.025(c-1).**
- (b) **The Transcript must reflect that the applicant has completed courses that directly relate to law enforcement, such as those in the Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security Career Cluster under 19 TAC Chapter 130, Subchapter L.**

Possible careers in Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security include: Law Enforcement Officer (local, state and federal), Detention Officer, Communications Operator (911 dispatcher), Security Officer, Protective Services, Courtroom Professional Services and other emergency management positions.

Law and Public Safety Program of Study*

Course Name	Course Codes	Credits	Grade Levels	Rockwall ISD Recommended Preparation (courses in bold are state required prerequisites)
Principles of Law, Public Safety, Corrections and Security	LAW001	1	9-10	None
Law Enforcement I	LAW003	1	10-11	Recommended Principles of Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security
Law Enforcement II	LAW004	1	11-12	Law Enforcement I ; recommended 80 or above in Law Enforcement I
Forensic Science (science credit)	LAW02C (CCA)	1	11-12	Biology, Chemistry
Criminal Investigation	LAW006	1	12	Law Enforcement II ; recommended 80 or above in Law Enforcement II
Court Systems and Practices	LAW005	1	12	Recommended Principles of Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security
Practicum in Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security	LAW007	2	12	Minimum completion of two Law classes, pass background check, no disciplinary action that can be constituted as a criminal offense, must provide own transportation

*Students may not take multiple Law classes in the same year unless specific criteria are met.

PRINCIPLES OF LAW, PUBLIC SAFETY, CORRECTIONS AND SECURITY

LAW001

Grade Placement: 9-10

Required Prerequisite: None

Recommended Prerequisite: None

Credit: 1

Certification: None

Introduces students to professions in law enforcement, security, corrections, and other emergency management services. Students will examine the roles and responsibilities of police officers, corrections officers, private security officers, and other positions related to emergency services. The course provides students with an overview of the skills necessary for careers in law enforcement, corrections, security, and other emergency management positions.

LAW ENFORCEMENT I

LAW003

Grade Placement: 10-11

Required Prerequisite: None

Recommended Prerequisite: Principles of Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security

Credit: 1

Certification: None

Law Enforcement I is an overview of the law history, organization, and functions of local, state and federal law enforcement. This course includes the role of constitutional law local, state and federal laws, the United States legal system, criminal law, law enforcement terminology, and the classification and elements of crime.