TUITION FEES  $300
Tuition fees are the responsibility of the applicant. However, they may be paid by anyone including, but not limited to relatives, businesses, local law enforcement agencies, fraternal organizations, friends, VFW, DAV Posts or your local American Legion Post. If the tuition fee of $300 does not accompany the application, the applicant will be advised if other funds are available and whether they can be accepted or not. Tuition is non-refundable.

EQUIPMENT
Each cadet will be furnished a uniform which consist of trousers, belt, cap, polo shirt, t-shirts and shorts. Prior to the camp, each cadet will be mailed a “CALL TO REPORT” letter. This will advise the cadet what personal items will be needed for the week-long camp session. These items are things such as gym/PE clothes, sleeping bags, personal toiletries, towels & wash cloths, black shoe polish, laundry soap, and most important, black plain toed military style boots.

ARRIVAL & CHECK OUT
Check in begins at 1:00 p.m. on the opening Saturday and will be concluded by 3:00 p.m. that same day. Cadets need to report in a plain white t-shirt, black running shorts, and comfortable running shoes. Check out will be on the following Saturday after graduation and must be completed by 12:00 p.m. of that day. Persons providing transportation must pick up the cadets at the Emmanuel Pines facilities after graduation. Cadets furnishing their own transportation will be given a parking space, however; their vehicles must remain parked until checkout time on Saturday. Keys will remain in the custody of the camp counselors. Cadets will be responsible for cleaning their quarters after graduation.

VISITORS
Family, friends and other visitors are invited and urged to attend the graduation ceremony. They should arrive at the Academy no later than 10:00 A.M.

GENERAL
The 2020 program will occur from SATURDAY, JUNE 13 thru SATURDAY JUNE 20 and will be held at Emmanuel Pines Camp located near Prescott. The ALLECA program has been in existence for 39 years and is nationally recognized. The program is under the leadership of the Arizona Department of Public Safety with counselors and instructors from various law enforcement agencies throughout the state. We will be accepting 80 applications for 2020.

General information regarding the program may be obtained by calling, writing, or e-mailing one of the following:

ALLECA Program
ATTN: Matt Griffis, Director
P.O. Box 750
Cortaro, AZ 85652-0750
Email: allecadirector@gmail.com
(520) 289-5113

Applications along with school endorsements and completed physical form must be received at the above address by MAY 1, 2020

www.alleca-az.org
PURPOSE
The American Legion believes that our young people have a strong sense of patriotism and a high regard for law and order. The objective of the American Legion Law Enforcement Career Academy (ALLECA) is to provide a firsthand look at the role of a police officer in promoting and safeguarding America’s freedom and rights. As only one of 21 such programs in the Country, it is the belief of the Department of Arizona that the young men and women who take part in the ALLECA program will develop favorable attitudes toward law enforcement and will spread those attitudes throughout their communities and among their peers. The ALLECA program is not a “boot camp” or a camp for problem or incorrigible, unmanageable teens.

THE PROGRAM
This could be described as a one-week mini police academy. Sessions are planned annually during summer vacation. Discipline is strict with vigorous physical training, running, and calisthenics included. Training begins at 5:00 a.m. and concludes at 9:00 p.m. each day after which, clothes will be washed, and dormitories cleaned. Obstacle courses and defensive tactics are planned. Various government and criminal justice officials will be guest speakers. Basic instruction will be by certified police officers from various Arizona police agencies.

QUALIFICATIONS
All applicants must either be enrolled in a recognized school or have just graduated. They must have reached their 11th birthday in the month preceding the academy or have not reached their 19th birthday by the start date of the academy. They must be proficient in English, must be of good moral character, present a neat appearance and come well recommended by a school and pass a physical fitness test.

The applicant does not need to be a relative of a member of the American Legion or any other organization to be admitted.

Due to the rigorous training and stress involved in this semi-military type of academy, the application of those who may require a special diet or medication may be rejected. After screening on the opening Saturday by an ALLECA staff officer, any applicant may be denied admission. Before reporting to the camp, it is recommended that the applicant run daily and do calisthenics to ensure that he/she is in top physical condition.

NO CONDITION OF RACE, COLOR, SEX, RELIGION OR NATIONAL ORIGIN IS A PRE-REQUISITE FOR ADMISSION.

APPLICATION
Official application forms may be downloaded from our website: www.ALLECA-AZ.org. Ask your High School guidance or career counselor to help you register. When completed, the application should be mailed to:

ALLECA Program
ATTN: ALLECA Director
P.O. Box 750
Cortaro, AZ 85652-0750

All applications must include the completed physical form included with the application package, the school or home school endorsement, the approval of a parent or legal guardian, and pass the physical fitness test.

Note that the physical exam may only be performed by a duly licensed Medical Doctor, Doctor of Osteopathy, a Physician’s Assistant or a Nurse Practitioner. The physical exam must be completed within 180 days of application submittal. School nurse endorsements are not acceptable.

ACCOMMODATIONS
All cadets will be quartered along with the counselors in multiple buildings. They will be responsible for the maintenance and cleanliness of their quarters, which will be subject to inspection at any time by any of the counselors. Beds are to be made each morning according to the instructions of their advisors. Latrines are to be maintained daily. Cadets will also be responsible for the policing of outside areas and of the facilities used for instruction and for dining.

TRANSPORTATION
Applicants must provide their own transportation to the Academy. If a hardship does exist, the applicant may contact either Matt Griffis (Director) or Sgt. Diana Mondragon (CLASS SERGEANT) for possible assistance. Parents/guardians, relatives or friends are responsible for transportation after graduation. Remember that on opening day, the applicant must be on-site between 1:00 P.m. and 3:00 p.m.

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