



## Course Announcement

**To:** All Law Enforcement and Correctional Agencies

**From:** John C. Moses  
Director of Criminal Justice  
Wor-Wic Community College

**Date:** October 7, 2025

**Re:** **Three-Day Police and Corrections K-9 Detection Certification Course**  
CJA124-5030  
MPCTC #: P48956 / C19524 (24 hours)

**January 12 to 14, 2026**

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**Location:**

- Wor-Wic Community College  
Eastern Shore Criminal Justice Academy  
**Guerrieri Hall, Room 101 (Day 1)**  
32000 Campus Drive  
Salisbury, MD 21804  
410-572-8750

**Dates & Times:**

- Monday, January 12 to Wednesday, January 14
- 7:45 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**Training Registration:**

- To register, email your request to: [escjaregistration@worwic.edu](mailto:escjaregistration@worwic.edu)

**Fees:**

- \$80—Participants from all counties.

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This course is designed to annually certify the K-9 and handler in Controlled Dangerous Substance (CDS) and/or Explosive Detection skills. Areas to be tested include article search, tracking, narcotics detection in vehicle interior and exterior scenarios, building parcels and lockers. **Note: This is a certification course.**

**Upon completion of this course, the student should be able to:**

1. Demonstrate the ability to organize and control a systematic and proper search effort to detect CDS and/or explosives in a vehicle interior, vehicle exterior, lockers, parcels and buildings.
2. Demonstrate the ability to combine control and decision-making skills with that of the canine to successfully discover CDS and/or explosives in a vehicle interior, vehicle exterior, lockers, parcels and buildings.
3. Demonstrate the ability to detect the scent of the following substances of CDS and/or explosives.
4. Demonstrate the police dog's ability and proficiency in searching a designated area for articles having human scent on them.
5. Demonstrate the police dog's ability to track an unknown subject in an unfamiliar area.

This course is designed to meet requirements as mandated by the Maryland Police and Correctional Training Commissions and to meet the annual in-service requirements.

#### **Required Equipment**

- Leashes
- Harnesses
- Sleeves
- Muzzle
- Body suits
- Training aids (for detector dogs)
- K-9 vehicles

#### **Dress Code Policy for Training Sessions at the Academy**

To ensure a professional appearance, all in-service officers and staff must adhere to the following dress code to gain admission to any training session at the Academy:

- **Uniform of the Day:** Recommended.
- **Shirt:** Must have a collar; no t-shirts or tank tops.
- **Pants:** Docker-style pants, BDUs, or suits; no shorts or jeans.
- **Footwear:** Closed-toe shoes with socks; no sandals.

**Firearms Policy:** Officers carrying a handgun on campus must also display their badge in plain view.

**Non-Compliance:** Attendees who do not follow the dress code will be denied entry to the classroom or range. A report will be submitted to the Chief/Sheriff/Warden/Director outlining the reasons for the denial.

Thank you for your cooperation in maintaining a professional environment.

#### **ESCJA Training Reservation Instructions**

1. **Complete the ESCJA Reservation Form:** The fillable form is attached to the announcement email.
2. **Enter Information:** Please type, rather than handwrite, all required information onto the form.
3. **Save and Submit:** Save the completed form and email the saved file to [escjaregistration@worwic.edu](mailto:escjaregistration@worwic.edu).

**You will receive a notification confirming your seat or informing you if you have been placed on standby.**

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