

Okaloosa County News Release

Okaloosa County Correction Officer II Patrick Bauer Graduates from Florida Leadership Academy

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The Florida Criminal Justice Executive Institute announces the graduation today of Correction Officer II Patrick Bauer from the Florida Leadership Academy. Twenty-seven front-line supervisors representing criminal justice agencies from Northwest Florida make up the latest graduating class.

Sergeant Patrick Bauer began his career with Okaloosa County as a Correctional Officer I at the Department of Corrections on June 30, 1999. He transferred to the Human Resources Department on February 2, 2001 as a Human Resources Specialist. On September 29, 2003, Sergeant Bauer returned to the Department of Corrections as a Correctional Officer I and was subsequently promoted to Sergeant (Correctional Officer II) on July 2, 2007. Sergeant Bauer holds a Masters Degree in Public Administration and is a Certified Jail Officer through the American Jail Association.

Seminar participants met for four weeks at the Northwest Florida State College in Niceville. Graduates learned skills necessary to support the needs of their agency and needs within the community as they prepare for future challenges.

The goal of the Florida Leadership Academy is to prepare first-line supervisors in criminal justice organizations to exemplify the character and integrity expected of criminal justice professionals, and examines the various components necessary to be an effective leader.

The Florida Criminal Justice Executive Institute, established within the Florida Department of Law Enforcement and affiliated with the State University System, was established in 1990 by the Florida Legislature to address the need for an innovative and multi-faceted approach to the education and training of criminal justice professionals.

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