

NORTHERN ILLINOIS TRAINING ADVISORY BOARD

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**40 HOUR BASIC SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER  
CERTIFICATION**

Date: July 20-24, 2026 **Registration Deadline: June 20, 2026**  
Times: 0800-1600 hours  
Location: NITAB  
527 Colman Center Drive  
Rockford, IL  
Instructor: Danielle Butts Team  
Member Fee: \$0 Non-Member & Non-Sworn Fee: \$150

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**This course has been approved by ILETSB for the following mandates:**

**Civil Rights – 1.5**  
**Constitutional Use of LE Authority – 1.0**  
**Crisis Intervention – 4.0**  
**Cultural Competency – 2.5**  
**Human Rights - .5**  
**Legal Updates – 3.0**  
**Officer Wellness and Mental Health – 1.0**  
**Procedural Justice – 7.5**  
**Psychology of Domestic Violence - .5**  
**Reporting of Child Abuse and Neglect - .5**  
**De-escalation Techniques – 3.0/2.5 scenario-based**  
**Laws concerning stops, searches, and use of force – 1**  
**Officer Safety Techniques – 3.0/2.5 scenario-based**

This course is a 40-hour ILETSB certified School Resource Officer course. The course is intended for a law enforcement officer who has been primary assigned to a school or school district under an agreement with a local law enforcement agency.

The Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board may issue a waiver on a case-by-case basis stating that an officer has previously received training and experience that is substantially equal to that provided in the Course.

A waiver may be issued only upon the presentation of documentation to the Board, evidencing that, at the time of application, the individual seeking the waiver:

1. Is currently employed as a law enforcement officer in Illinois;
2. Has at least 3 years of experience as a law enforcement officer;
3. Has completed formal training regarding:
  - A. Juvenile Law and the role of Juvenile Officers;
  - B. The school environment and youth communication techniques; and
  - C. Rapid response technique

Topics discussed will include:

**Day One:** Juvenile Considerations / Adolescent Development & the Teen / Due Process / Interrogating Juvenile Suspects / Interviewing Juvenile Witnesses

**Day Two:** Intro to Juvenile Law & Juvenile Court Act / Detention of Juveniles / Rights of Parents / School Law / Roles of SRO / Developing Relationships with diverse students.

**Day Three:** School Structure and Hierarchy / School Safety & Design / Student Communication / Understanding special youth considerations disabilities.

**Day Four:** Special Needs / Overview of Criminal Activity in Schools / Law Enforcement Action in schools / Intro to School Threat Response and Case Study Review / Role of SRO in Active Threat / Recognizing Active Threat

**Day Five:** SWAT, Tactical, School Safety & SWAT Officers / Tactical Maneuvering on school grounds: solo/group responses, clear classrooms, response to threat / Post Event Considerations / Threat Response Scenario trainings

**NOTE – Friday’s training will be held at Durand High School, located at 200 West South Street, Durand, Illinois.**

Successful completion and attendance of the course, including passing the exam, is required to be State Certified.