



WASHINGTON STATE CRIMINAL JUSTICE TRAINING COMMISSION

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Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commission Will Honor Children with Celebration

The Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commission (WSCJTC) will hold its Chief For a Day celebration on **Thursday, August 16, 2018**.

In partnership with local law enforcement agencies and the communities of Washington State, Chief For a Day is about celebrating the lives of children who have been diagnosed with a life-threatening or chronic illness.

This year 35 law enforcement agencies will sponsor a child to participate in the event. Each agency will provide their honorary "Chief" or "Sheriff" with a hand-tailored uniform and the children and their families will participate in a day they will never forget. This year's Chiefs and Sheriffs range in age from 3 to 12 years old and are sponsored by:

1. Bellingham PD
2. Black Diamond PD
3. Bonney Lake PD
4. Covington PD
5. Ferndale PD
6. Fircrest PD
7. Forks PD
8. Hoquiam PD
9. Kelso PD
10. Kent PD
11. King County SO
12. Kirkland PD
13. Kitsap County SO
14. Lacey PD
15. Lake Forest Park PD
16. Lynnwood PD
17. Mill Creek PD

18. Mukilteo PD
19. Olympia PD
20. Pierce County SD
21. Port of Seattle PD
22. Puyallup PD
23. Renton PD
24. Snohomish County SO
25. Snoqualmie PD
26. Stillaguamish PD
27. Sumner PD
28. Tacoma PD
29. Thurston County SO
30. Tulalip Tribal PD
31. Washington State Patrol
32. Westport PD
33. Redmond PD
34. UW PD
35. WSCJTC Academy

The children and their families will be transported to the WSCJTC by full police motorcade that will leave the ShoWare Center in Kent, WA, at 9:45 AM and travel to the WSCJTC arriving in Burien around 10:15 AM. It will travel through Kent, Des Moines, Normandy Park, and unincorporated King County.

The sponsored children will be sworn in as chiefs and sheriffs, have lunch with attendees and academy recruits, and then participate in outside displays and demos provided by law enforcement agencies and criminal justice entities including K-9 units, bicycle patrols, SWAT, rifle units, and more.

Event times are as follows:

Motorcade arrival: 10:15 AM
Swearing In Ceremony: 11:00 AM
Lunch: Noon
Outside Displays & Demos: 1:00-3:00 PM

The event is donation and fundraiser funded and listed in RCW 43.101. The event at WSCJTC is open to the public and we encourage children and families to attend.

For questions about the overall event, the sponsoring agencies, or the children, please contact **Sonja Peterson**, Co-coordinator, at 206-835-7356 or speterson@cjtc.state.wa.us.

For questions about the motorcade, parking, or outside demonstrations, please contact **Rachelle Wright**, Co-coordinator, at 206-835-7346 or cfad@cjtc.state.wa.us.

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