

# The American Legion Department of Wisconsin Law Enforcement Career Academy



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Candidates,

I write this letter as our communities, our state, and our nation respond to a threat that encompasses all facets of life. Our health care workers, fire, ems, and law enforcement are working together to mitigate the threat to our citizens from Covid-19.

We do not know the final impact that this will have on our communities, state, and nation. As Sheriff and now as Director of this program I have had to make difficult decisions, none of which I take lightly. These decisions are based upon risk factors and the need to complete a task or mission.

In my role as Sheriff, I need to maintain public safety, so we have implemented certain procedures for our deputies and staff to mitigate the risk, but the risk remains.

In my role as Director, I must weigh the risks to candidates and staff associated with the Covid-19 at the Wisconsin American Legion Law Enforcement Career Academy. Since we cannot mitigate the risk of exposure to Covid-19 to the candidates and staff, the only choice is to cancel the 2020 session.

If you were selected as a primary candidate and are currently a junior in high school, we will give you priority in our selection process for the 2021 session.

My sincere wish is for health and safety for you and your families.

Stay Safe and Healthy,

Jim Johnson  
Director WALLECA