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Eight Local K-9 Teams Set to Graduate From St. Petersburg Police Department's "Police Canine Academy"

Eight local police K-9 teams will graduate from the St. Petersburg Police Department's Police Canine Academy on March 5, 2009 at 7:00 pm.

The ceremony will be held at the Largo High School Football field at 410 Missouri Avenue North, Clearwater, Florida.

- Clearwater Police Officer Mike Spitaler and K-9 "Major"
- Largo Police Officer Jeffery Rogers, Jr. and K-9 "Fritz"
- Largo Police Officer John Sinni and K-9 "Jet"
- SPPD Police Officer Don Beauvois and K-9 "Timon"
- SPPD Police Officer Todd Hancock and K-9 "Doc"
- SPPD Police Officer Jeremy Krzysiak and K-9 "Endy"
- SPPD Police Officer Chris Ladd and K-9 "Justice"
- SPPD Police Officer Jeffery Yaslowitz and K-9 "Shadow"

These K-9 teams have successfully completed sixteen weeks of training, including dog obedience, tracking suspects, building searches and searches of open fields.

Police K-9 teams are an invaluable tool in apprehending criminals, sniffing out drugs and explosives and locating missing children.

There will be the presentation of Certificates for each of the K-9 Teams and a large K-9 demonstration will follow. Everyone is welcome to attend.