DURHAM REGIONAL POLICE SERVICE

YOUTH IN POLICING

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

2025-26 WINTER INITIATIVE

Do you need prior experience to apply for the program?

No, previous work experience is not required. The program is designed to help youth develop skills and gain valuable experience.

What are the working hours?

Winter program- November to March, 14 weeks Wednesdays (5:00pm to 8:00pm) Saturdays (9:00am to 4:00pm)

Is the program only for those interested in policing?

No, the program is open to all youth, regardless of their career goals or interests. Whether or not you are pursuing a career in policing, the experience and skills gained are valuable for any path.

What are benefits of being a part of the program?

The program supports both personal and professional development through handson experience, skill-building, and community engagement. More information is available at www.drps.ca/yip

Can I do the program multiple times?

Students can only participate in the program once. However, alumni are encouraged to apply for a team leader position in future years to take on a leadership role within the program.

When do applications for the summer program open?

The applications for the 2026 Summer initiative are expected to open in January 2026.

