

Fairfield police Cadet Program

Awards and Citations

The following ribbons are listed in order of importance. Higher-ranking ribbons shall be worn on the Class A uniform from left to right, top to bottom. For each consecutive instance a cadet earns a ribbon, a bronze star shall be placed on the first issued ribbon.

Lifetime Achievement Award

The Lifetime Achievement Award is presented to a Cadet or former Cadet who has dedicated a minimum of two years to the NERLEEA Cadet Program. This prestigious accolade acknowledges recipients who have achieved exceptional excellence within the program, surpassing the performance of the typical cadet or police officer.

For current cadets, the Lifetime Achievement Award can be earned by undertaking a community service project that enhances public safety. This service project must gain approval from the board of advisors and be executed to the program's exacting standards.

Former cadets may attain this award after transitioning to a career in public service and distinguishing themselves within their chosen profession.



Crime Prevention Ribbon

Awarded to the cadet that prevents a crime or assists a police officer in an investigation which results in the arrest of a suspect.



Life Saving Ribbon

Awarded to a cadet whose medical intervention results in another life to be saved. This may be awarded to a cadet who accomplishes this while on or off duty as a cadet.



Directors Award Ribbon

To recognize a cadet that achieves the Director's Award while attending the Cadet Police Academy.



Cadet of the Year

Awarded to the cadet that is chosen by the Ranking members of the post, to reflect their outstanding personal growth, unwavering dedication, integrity, and a consistent willingness to go above and beyond in support of the mission and values of The Fairfield Police Cadet Program.



Meritorious Achievement Award

Awarded to a cadet who goes above and beyond the standard expectations by displaying exceptional performance in a graded scenario, community event, or during their off-duty activities.



Advisor's Merit Ribbon

Awarded to a cadet, chosen by the Police Advisors of the post, that consistently demonstrates leadership abilities, takes initiative, exhibits strong problem-solving skills, and displays a strong work ethic.



Drug Abuse Prevention Ribbon

Acknowledges cadets who contributed to investigations of drug or alcohol crimes by assisting detectives in undercover assignments. These must be officially sanctioned investigations.



Law Enforcement Service Ribbon

For serving 100 hours within one year, either in the service of the Town of Fairfield or mutual aid events. These community service events are the backbone of the Cadet Program and enhance public relations with law enforcement and civic engagement.



Cadet Community Service Ribbon

To acknowledge a cadet who completes 100 hours of community service outside of their cadet activities. For example, a cadet who serves as an EMT, Lifeguard, or Fireman may obtain the necessary number of hours through their service in that capacity.



Post Unit Citation Ribbon

Awarded to a group of cadets who display exceptional teamwork, and go above and beyond the standard expectations by displaying exceptional performance in a graded scenario, community event, or during their off-duty activities.



Tactical Challenge Top Cadet Ribbon

To recognize the cadet who attends the Tactical Challenge and achieves the Top Cadet award.



Tactical Challenge Unit Citation Ribbon

To recognize the Cadets who attend the Tactical Challenge and as a team achieve First Place Overall.



Stations Day Unit Citation Ribbon

To recognize the Cadets who attend Stations Day and as a team achieve First Place Overall.



FBI Youth Week Achievement Ribbon

Awarded to a cadet that is accepted into the FBI Youth Week and graduates from the program.



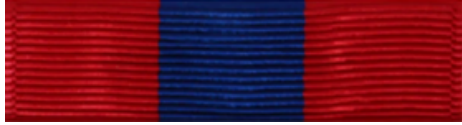
State Police Youth Week Achievement Ribbon

Awarded to a cadet that is accepted into the Connecticut State Police Youth Week and graduates from the program.



Basic Program Academic Achievement Ribbon

To recognize a cadet that achieves the highest test score while attending the Cadet Police Academy Basic Program.



Advanced Program Academic Achievement Ribbon

To recognize a cadet that achieves the highest test score while attending the Cadet Police Academy Advanced Program.



Practical Skills Program Academic Achievement Ribbon

To recognize a cadet that achieves the highest test score while attending the Cadet Police Academy Practical Skills Program.



Academic Achievement Ribbon

To recognize the cadet with the highest GPA while in high school.



Physical Fitness

To acknowledge the cadet who has obtained the highest physical fitness score at the yearly PT Test. The test shall consist of the physical fitness entry standards for the state of Connecticut at the time of the exam. If a cadet obtains the highest score of the post, but does not pass the minimum requirements of the Connecticut PT test, the ribbon is not to be awarded.



Recruitment Ribbon

For recruiting a youth member to join the Fairfield Police Cadet Program, and that new cadet remains in the post for a minimum of 6 months and passes their probationary period.



Perfect Attendance

Recognizes attendance at each scheduled meeting of the post during the preceding year. The recognition is a yellow and white commendation bar.



COVID-19 Service Ribbon

To acknowledge a cadet who remained active in the post throughout the peak of the COVID-19 pandemic, including online and in person meetings for a minimum of six (6) meetings between the dates of 3/1/2020 to 2/1/2021



Five Year Tenure Ribbon

Awarded to cadets who complete five years of service in the post.



Tenure Ribbon

Awarded to those Cadets who complete one year of satisfactory service to the post. It is recognized with a red commendation bar.

