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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

*Delaware County*—Delaware County Emergency Services Citizens Academy will be offered this spring to provide an insight into how the system works; from the initial 9-1-1 call, the response to the scene; and the transport to the hospital. The nine-week series is free and open to all Delaware County residents, over the age of 21. The academy classes will begin Tuesday, March 6 and run through April 14, with Tuesday and Saturday sessions. The Tuesday classes will be approximately 7 to 9 pm and Saturday classes from 9 am to 1 pm. Participants will graduate with certifications in CPR and First Aid, as well as a cool tshirt!

Delaware County EMS, Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management and the Delaware County 9-1-1 Center are sponsoring the academy. There will be 12 seats available and media participants are encouraged. Teaching methods will include lecture, hands-on simulation and tours. A special graduation ceremony is planned for the end of the session.

Applications are available by calling the EMS Administrative Offices at (740) 833-2190 or emailing Paramedic Travis Ries at [tries@delcoems.org](mailto:tries@delcoems.org).

The goal of the Citizens Academy is to develop partnerships, provide a background into emergency medical services operations, and create an awareness of the county system to the participants who in turn can serve as EMS ambassadors in their communities. Be a part of the inaugural class and call today about joining the first Delaware County Emergency Services Citizens Academy!

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INTERVIEWS AVAILABLE with Chief Rob Farmer by calling Teri Morgan at 740/833-2109

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