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Secretary James M. Le Blanc

Probation and Parole Academy Class #45 Graduates

BATON ROUGE, La. – The Louisiana Department of Public Safety and Corrections (DPS&C) – Corrections Services officially welcomed 19 new Probation and Parole Officers to the Department after they took the oath of office Wednesday morning during a swearing in ceremony at the Louisiana State Police Training Academy Auditorium in Baton Rouge.

Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Division of Probation and Parole Deputy Directors Renee Delouche and Derek Ellis addressed the graduates on behalf of Director Jamie Lee, as well as the Honorable Judge Kelly Balfour, 19th Judicial District, who also administered the oath of office.

"Congratulations to the newest members of our Probation and Parole team," said Department of Public Safety and Corrections Secretary Jimmy Le Blanc. "These new officers will play a critical role in Louisiana's criminal justice system, supervising probationers and parolees and helping them successfully reintegrate into society."

The new officers will work in districts across Louisiana, and are assigned to 13 of the state's 21 district offices. During the ceremony, the Department recognized the efforts of cadets who excelled in various areas. Anna Woods of New Iberia District received the Academic Award, Mia Foret of Thibodaux District received the Top Gun Award, and Jacob Broussard from Lake Charles District earned the Physical Fitness award.

Louisiana's approximately 650 probation and parole agents are critical links between law enforcement, the court system, and public safety. Agents supervise approximately 46,815 offenders released into communities statewide on probation, parole, diminution of sentence or medical furlough. They emphasize public safety while also helping the individual access resources that will aid in his/her efforts to become a productive member of society rather than a tax burden.

The Department's P.O.S.T. (Peace Officers Standards and Training) Academy began in August and agents completed testing on December 14, 2022. The last week has been spent learning issues specific to their jobs as probation and parole officers.

Probation and Parole officers also routinely assist local, state and federal authorities with investigations and information, including the crime prevention initiatives in Baton Rouge and New Orleans as well as various law enforcement task forces.

Congratulations to the [Probation and Parole P.O.S.T Academy Class #45](#).

Hayley Alfred
Jacob Broussard
Matthew Cotton
Raquel Davis
Mia Foret
Haley Haydel
Joshua Hewitt
Hunter Hughes
Katrina LaSalle
Andrew Murphy
Luke Pourciau
Lori Quave
Wraelene Renthrope
Michael "Tanner" Roberts
Brady Simon
Brandon Thompson
Marvet Williams
Anna Woods
Tamarah Youngblood

Lake Charles District
Lake Charles District
Amite District
Covington District
Thibodaux District
New Iberia District
Baton Rouge District
Feliciana District
Lake Charles District
Lafayette District
West Baton Rouge District
Baton Rouge District
Shreveport District
Tallulah District
Leesville District
Natchitoches District
Lake Charles District
New Iberia District
Shreveport District



Front row from left to right: Luke Pourciau, Mia Foret, Hayley Alfred, Haley Haydel, Anna Woods

Back row left to right: Brady Simon, Raquel Davis, Joshua Hewitt, Jacob Broussard, Tamarah Youngblood, Marvette Williams, Michael "Tanner" Roberts, Wraelene Renthrope, Hunter Hughes, Katrina LaSalle, Matthew Cotton, Lori Quave, Andrew Murphy, Brandon Thompson

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