



Florida Sheriff's Explorers Association Sheriff Buddy Phillips Explorer Leadership Award

In 1983 Buddy Phillips was appointed the 13TH Flagler County Sheriff by Governor Bob Graham. Due in part to his ability to bring stability to an agency, he was appointed by two different governors to serve as Interim Sheriff in seven different counties - Lake, Charlotte, Flagler, Glades, Columbia, and Pasco - after their elected leaders were suspended. Sheriff Phillips is the only person in Florida history to serve as Sheriff in seven different Florida counties and would serve until the voters could elect the next Sheriff or the Governor appointed a permanent replacement. As a result, he earned the nickname "Sheriff of Florida."

Sheriff Phillips got his start in law enforcement in 1956 when he began working part-time for the Suwannee County Sheriff's Office while still in high school. Thirteen years later he was elected Sheriff of Suwannee County and served one term in office before joining the Florida Department of Law Enforcement as a special agent/training specialist in 1973 where he later became Director of Mutual Aid for the Florida Department of Law Enforcement. After retiring from FDLE, Sheriff Phillips became the Executive Director of the Florida Sheriff's Association, retiring in 2002. Sheriff Phillips was noted for bringing stability to the Flagler County Sheriff's Office.

Association Guidelines:

- 1. A selection committee to review nominees and select award recipient(s) will be appointed by the Association advisor chairperson at the first meeting of each new fiscal year.**
- 2. The selection committee will consist of no fewer than three (3) advisors and no more than five (5). The Explorer Leadership Award will be presented at the awards banquet of the State Convention.**
- 3. There will be a limit to the number of awards to be presented each year to preserve the status of the recognition:
The number of awards to be presented will be: one male explorer and one female explorer.**
- 4. All award applications are due to the Advisor Chairperson prior to the strike of the gavel at the Spring delegates meeting.**

The Florida Sheriff's Explorer Association Sheriff Buddy Phillips Explorer Leadership Award is presented yearly to two outstanding leaders whom are cited for their service to the program on both the post and state levels. The award itself is a plaque. Please read the guidelines and take note of all deadlines.

Eligibility Requirements:

The nominee must:

1. Be a registered, active explorer of a Sheriff's Office Explorer post in good standing.
2. Be a member of the Florida Sheriff's Explorers Association for at least one (1) year.
3. Show exceptional dedication and have given, while an explorer, outstanding service to his/her community and post.

NOTE: The FSEA Sheriff Buddy Phillips Explorer Leadership Award must be presented within one(1) year of the conclusion of the leadership and service for which it is being given, and must not be presented to any person who is more than 21 years of age.

- Introduced to the Florida Sheriff's Explorer Association, September Delegates, 1984.
- Proposed to the Florida Sheriff's Explorer Association, March Delegates, 1985.
- Program completed and accepted at the Florida Sheriff's Explorer Association, December Delegates, 1985
- Amended at the Florida Sheriff's Explorer Association Advisor Workshop, August 1999.

Form Instructions:

The Applicant must sign and date the application and submit it to the sponsoring post for their signature. Attach the required documents and submit to the selection committee. Application must be typed or printed in black ink.

**Florida Sheriff's Explorer Association
 Sheriff Buddy Phillips Explorer Leadership Award**

Nominee's Name _____
(First) (Middle) (Last)

Address _____
(Street or P.O. Box) (Apt.#)

(City) (State) (Zip)

Date of Birth _____ Age in March _____ Sex _____

Parent/Guardian's Name _____

Full Name of Sponsoring Department

County Name

Post #

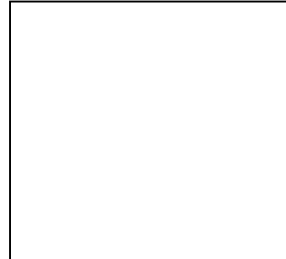
Sponsoring department's address

(City)

(State)

(Zip)

Place current, passport size, color, head and shoulders, in uniform, photograph in this area.



Qualifications

I. Leadership Experience

List those experiences in which you have demonstrated your leadership abilities in each category. List position held, length in office or responsibility, and any significant accomplishments during the term.

A. Exploring

Position

Term

Accomplishments

School/Church/Community

Position

Term

Accomplishments

II. Awards/Recognition

List those recognitions you have earned as a result of your assistance or direct leadership.

A. Exploring

Position

Term

Accomplishments

B. School/Church/Community

Position

Term

Accomplishments

III. In 500 words, on separate paper describe "What leadership means to me".

IV. Three required letters of recommendation.

1. Sponsoring agency department head or designee.
2. Post Advisor (preferably Senior Advisor)
3. School, church, or community leader.

Note: Any additional letters of recommendation may be included.

Authorization Certification by

Explorer

I certify to the accuracy of the foregoing facts.

Date _____ Signature _____

Certification by Post

The above-named applicant is approved by Post # _____ as qualified for nomination of the F.S.E.A Explorer Leadership Award.

Date _____ Signature _____

SELECTION COMMITTEE APPROVAL

Received by: _____ Date/Time _____

Committee Chairman's Signature: _____

Award presented on (date) _____