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COREY MADDUX GRADUATES WEST VIRGINIA STATE POLICE ACADEMY TO JOIN YEAGER AIRPORT POLICE DEPARTMENT

Corey T. Maddox of Saint Albans, will graduate today as part of the 177th class to complete the West Virginia State Police Academy, and join the Yeager Airport Police Department (Y.A.P.D.).

The West Virginia State Police has a long tradition of providing outstanding training for law enforcement professionals. The State Police maintains a training facility commonly known as “the Academy” which is situated on approximately 24 acres in Institute, West Virginia. From this location, the Academy serves the entire state of West Virginia as a training and conference center for the law enforcement community.

Maddox is a 2013 Graduate of St. Albans High School, and 2017 Graduate of West Virginia University, where he received a bachelor’s degree in Criminology. While attending, he became part of the student Cadet Program, where he attained the position of “Lead Cadet” under the direction of the West Virginia University Police Department.

In July of 2018, Maddox successfully completed the Y.A.P.D. Physical Ability Examination, followed by the Written Examination. He tied for first on the written examination. Over the following three months he successfully passed a thorough background investigation and oral interviews. Late in 2018 he underwent a polygraph examination, physical exam, and psychological screening, all of which were completed successfully. Maddox was sworn in as a Yeager Airport Police Officer on December 3, 2018. He was oriented in airport procedure prior to beginning his academy training.

Maddox is the first officer in the history of Yeager Airport Police Department to have attended the West Virginia State Police Academy as a Y.A.P.D. Officer. “Y.A.P.D. has typically hired officers who are already certified, having retired from careers in law enforcement at other agencies. Due to current and developing threats to transportation hubs around the world, Yeager Airport Police Department is looking to have a ‘blend’ of those retired, yet experienced officers, as well as younger officers, with new ideas, who are looking for a career in airport policing,” said Yeager Airport Police Department Chief, Eric Johnson.

Following today’s graduation Officer Maddox will begin the Y.A.P.D. Field Training Program.

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