



Law Enforcement Training Advisory Commission

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Interviewing Children

Partially Funded in the Partnership with the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board

DATE: May 15, 2026

TIME: 8:00am – 4:00pm

LOCATION: Sherman Fire Dept. - 2215 E. Andrew Rd., Sherman, IL 62684

INSTRUCTIONS: Danielle Butts & Team

NON-MEMBER FEE: \$0

MEMBER FEE: \$0

Meets Illinois Mandates: Civil Rights (0.50hrs). Const/Proper Use of L.E. Authority (0.50hrs), Crisis Intervention (0.50hrs), Human Rights (0.50hrs), Procedural Justice (3.00hrs)

SPECIALTY- Lead Homicide Investigator (8.00hrs) & Officer & Youth Interaction (8.00hrs)

COURSE OVERVIEW: This course has been designed to provide officers with additional methods and information for interviewing juveniles in criminal investigations. This course will provide a framework for interviewing juveniles who are victims or witnesses to crimes, such as domestic violence, homicides, batteries, etc.

Emphasis will be placed on practical exercises conducted throughout the course. This course will utilize case vignettes for practical applications.

COURSE TOPICS: Interview settings for juveniles. *Child development & cognitive abilities. *Cognitive evaluation. *Types of questions – From open-ended to leading. *Trauma informed interviewing. *Interviewing aides. *Stages of a juvenile interview. *Establishing timelines with juveniles. *Blocks to interviewing juveniles-disabilities & mental health issues.

TO REGISTER: Email registration to register@letac.org. You may also fill out and submit our online registration form through the website at www.letac.org or call 217-726-7014 to register by phone. **MTU #10 member agencies will be given registration preference until seven days prior to the date of class. After that date, registrations will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis, regardless of MTU status. We cannot accept registrations from individual officers. All registrations must go through your Chief, Sheriff, or department training office, even if you are attending class on your own time.**

CANCELLATION: If a class must be canceled for any reason, every effort will be made to do so at least 2 weeks before the class is scheduled to begin.

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