

# North Idaho College Basic Patrol Academy

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1. **Schedule, complete, and pass Police Officers Selection Test.** Cost \$20- payable in cash. Contact Academy Coordinator for appointment. Skills set assessment in Arithmetic, Reading Comprehension and Grammar. \$20 cost is for test packet. \*For additional cost a Practice Test or Study Guide can be accessed at Stanard & Associates, Inc. <http://www.stanard.com/public-safety/police-test/the-national-police-officer-selection-test>
2. **Complete Physical Readiness assessment to meet or exceed the following:** 14" on vertical jump, 15 sit-ups, 21 push-ups, 77.0 sec on 300-meter run, and 17 min 17 sec on 1.5-mile run.
3. **Complete degree-seeking application to North Idaho College for Law Enforcement AAS for your intended term.** [www.nic.edu/start](http://www.nic.edu/start)
4. **Complete Financial Aid application.** Only if you are self-sponsored students or veterans using the GI Bill. <https://studentaid.gov>
5. **Submit two fingerprint cards:** Cost \$15ea.
6. **Complete background check application packet (self-sponsors only).** Must pass written test first. Academy Coordinator will send you the link.
7. **Complete pre-employment Polygraph examination.** Cost \$250 payable to the examiner. Must pass background check to move to this step. The Academy Coordinator will provide contact information.
8. **Complete Mental Readiness Assessment(optional):** At the discretion of the Academy Coordinator or hiring agency. \*Cost is variable.
9. **Complete Medical Examination, vision and hearing tests.** Academy Coordinator will provide documents. \*Cost is variable.
10. **Final State approval is required to attend the academy.**
11. **Class Registration.** The NIC Registrar's office will handle registration for all candidates. Once the Academy Coordinator receives his approved list of candidates, registration will be completed and a bill will be generated. You will be able to view amount due in your MyNIC account. If you are agency sponsored a bill will be sent to your agency on your behalf.

**Estimated upfront costs are approximately \$400-800 depending on optional items\*.** Kootenai county resident tuition for 2024-25 school year is \$3417 which includes course fees of \$870 for range, ammo, PT uniform, etc. This is an estimate only and subject to change.