

# *Carol Stream Police Department*

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## **PRESS RELEASE**

*For Immediate Release*

Several Carol Stream police officers are going to day camp on July 6, 2009. On Monday morning, they will pick up 25 children between the ages of 9-12 to begin the 5-day Police and Children Together (PACT) camp.

The camp is designed to provide leadership skills, character building and personal mentoring to the participants.

Each morning the children will be picked up and transported to Western Trails School for breakfast, exercise and group interaction. Following the "wake up", the groups will take to the road for activities including; bowling, trip to Cantigny Museum, swimming, teambuilding skills program, a community service project at Belmont Village and Colony Park Senior Centers.

After the daily activities, the groups return to Western Trails School for a wrap up and transport back home.

"The camp is an excellent opportunity for our officers to work with children in small groups and teach leadership skills and character building", said Police Chief Kevin Orr.

The camp concludes Friday July 10, 2009 with a closing ceremony at 2 p.m. This is the eighth year the department has hosted the camp.

"Every year we have had campers ask if the camp could be another week long or beg to be included the next year", Orr said. "They certainly have a great time and enjoy the opportunity to be with the officer counselors."

The officers also enjoy developing a personal bond with the students in their group. The camp is coordinated by DARE Officer Chuck Ranweiler.

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