



# BULLETIN

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## MDOC REINSTATES TRAINING ACADEMY

*MCO ANTICIPATED SHORTAGE, ADVOCATED FOR ACADEMY'S RETURN*

The Department of Corrections will return to state-operated, paid training academies this spring.

The Department hopes to hire more than 300 recruits from the first few classes.

“New recruits will become state employees as soon as they begin training and their room and board will be covered by the department while they attend classes,” MDOC announced today.

Starting pay is \$16.32 per hour.

MCO has pressed the Department and legislators to reinstate the paid training academies to alleviate the statewide staffing crisis. President Tom Tylutki sent formal letters to Director Dan Heyns. Executive Director Mel Grieshaber has given several media interviews about the crisis, including one just last week in the Lansing State Journal. MCO thanks the Department for this much-needed move.

The return to centralized academies ensures no one will be priced out of a corrections career, and that Michigan's nationally-recognized, first-class training of corrections officers will continue.

Applications are available at [michigan.gov/corrections](http://michigan.gov/corrections).

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