



MICHIGAN STATE POLICE

# TRAINING ANNOUNCEMENT

## Drug Recognition Expert School

**Course Description:** The Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) program has received national acclaim for its success in identifying the drug-impaired individual. Although the focus of the DRE curriculum is on the identification of the drug-impaired driver, DRE skills are applied to many different law enforcement activities. In addition, DREs are frequently called upon to differentiate between drug influence and medical and/or mental disorders. The certified DRE is a valuable tool for combating the adverse impact of drugs on the communities they serve.

Due to limits on class size, program prerequisites, and screening criteria, not all applicants are accepted. Applicants need to be aware that the DRE School is demanding, and students must be prepared for the academic challenges of the course and travel requirements. Students selected for DRE School will be notified on or before January 15, 2023.

**Locations and Dates:** DRE School Location: Hotel TBD (Oakland County Area)  
March 20-31, 2023 (Phases I and II)

DRE Field Certification Location: Hotel (TBD) Jacksonville, Florida  
April 17-23, 2023 (Phase III)

**Who Should Apply:** Road officers actively involved in OWI enforcement. Officers who wish to become a DRE must be willing to accept callouts, maintain proper paperwork, and complete the minimum number of evaluations and training hours for recertification.

**Cost:** There are no registration or materials costs to attend. Breakfast, lunch, lodging, and airfare are provided by a grant through the Michigan Office of Highway Safety Planning with funding from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Officer wages are not covered.

**How to Apply:** See attached application for DRE school requirements. Only complete applications with all required documentation attached or included will be reviewed.

Email completed [application](#) and supporting documentation to:

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NO LATER THAN December 27, 2022

For more information, call 269-921-5666, or visit [OHSP Drug Recognition Expert Program](#).