The Law, Public Safety and Security Career Cluster is divided into five pathways: corrections; emergency and fire management; law enforcement; legal; and security protection. Students in these programs are preparing to plan, manage and provide legal, public safety, protective services and homeland security, including professional and technical support services.

**18,758** enrollments in High School programs

+ **1,991** enrollments in Middle School programs

= **20,749**

**TOP HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAMS**

- Criminal Justice Operations (16,880)
- Introduction to Fire Fighting (1,397)
- Public Safety Telecommunication (232)
- Private Security Officer (79)

**TOP CERTIFICATIONS EARNED BY K-12 STUDENTS**

- 911 Public Safety Telecommunicator
- Emergency Medical Responder
- Accredited Legal Professional (ALP)
- Adobe Certified Associate (ACA)
- Photoshop
- Fire Fighter I

**ARTICULATION PATHWAY TO COLLEGE**

- Criminal Justice Operations High School Program: Articulates 3 credits
- Criminal Justice Technology A.S. Degree

**$320.52** in State College Tuition Savings

*Articulation in this career cluster varies per local institution.
POSTSECONDARY & EMPLOYMENT

2,651
DISTRICT POSTSECONDARY PROGRAMS

86% Certificate
14% Apprenticeship
18 Districts

TOP CERTIFICATIONS EARNED BY DISTRICT POSTSECONDARY STUDENTS

1ST
Law Enforcement Officer

2ND
Fire Fighter II

3RD
Correctional Officer

EMPLOYMENT OUTLOOK

HIGH GROWTH
1.35%
Growth Rate
Police, Fire Fighter and Ambulance Dispatchers

HIGH WAGE
$25.08
per hour Mean Wage
Fire Fighters

ANNUAL OPENINGS
3,276
Annual Openings
Police and Sheriff’s Patrol Officers

Notes: Based on 2019-2020 data. Postsecondary enrollment is limited to district programs and includes dual enrollment students.