Lt. Andrew Buell, Spokane County Sheriff's Office

In 1993 Lieutenant Buell graduated with a B.A. degree in History from University of Washington, he then attended Eastern Washington University and obtained a B.A. degree in Education in 1994. From 1994 through 2000 he was a certified secondary teacher and coach in the state of Washington. He taught social studies and coached wrestling, football and golf. In 1997 he married his wife, Suzie. They currently live in Spokane, WA with their three boys. The family enjoys their time at the lake, on the golf course and in the hockey rink.

During his 22-year career with the SCSO, Lt. Buell held the following deputy positions: patrol deputy, school resource deputy, federal task force officer (Gang Unit), TAC Team training coordinator and team leader, SWAT operator and team leader. He was a Detective in the following units: Special Victims Unit and Major Crimes Unit. He was a Sergeant of the following units: Patrol, K-9 and Special Victims Unit. He is currently the Lieutenant in the Office of Professional Standards (Internal Affairs).

Throughout his career he has been an instructor within the department, for other agencies and at Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commission Basic Law Enforcement Academy. He has instructed in the fields of SWAT tactics, police bike operations, report writing, investigations, interviewing, internal affairs, leadership, problem employees, supervision, anti-bias policing and officer wellness.

He holds the following certifications:
IADLEST Certified Instructor-Investigations and Report Writing
FBI-LEEDA Internal Affairs
FBI-LEEDA Supervisory Trilogy
Tactical Strength and Conditioning Facilitator (NCSA)