

Myles Cook

Myles Cook has a passion and drive for constantly trying to improve the law enforcement profession through high quality training and improved leadership & culture. Myles has 13 years of Law Enforcement, Corrections, and Instructor experience, and 6 years of military experience. Myles served as a Patrol Lieutenant (Watch Commander) at the Carter County Sheriff's Office, Tennessee. He worked in various positions to include Patrol, Corrections, Narcotics Investigations, SWAT, Federal Task Force Officer Federal Bureau of Investigation & United States Marshal Service Task Force. He has 5 years' experience as an Adjunct Instructor for East Tennessee State University Department of Criminal Justice & Criminology. Myles received Master of Arts in Criminal Justice, East Tennessee State University (2011). Beginning in 2019, he helped develop and served as Lead Criminal Justice Instructor at the Tennessee College of Applied Technology – Elizabethton, an 864-hour Law Enforcement/Corrections training program that has received recognition, certifications, and training partnerships with local, state, and national agencies. In 2022 This program was chosen by the Governor's office and TBR to be implemented across 12 TCATS and all Community Colleges in Tennessee. Myles is currently the Training Coordinator at the WSCC Regional Law Enforcement Training Academy, training approximately 200-250 cadets annually from agencies across Tennessee. Myles developed and implemented perhaps the nation's first linearly progressive physical training program – producing a 34-36% improvement in all testable PT areas, and redesigned RLETA's Firearms training into an "objective driven" model, producing a 99.5% "A" rating average in firearms training for graduating cadets. Myles has served as an instructor ranging from local in-services to universities & international conferences. In 2021 Myles was appointed by Dr. Brian Noland, President of East Tennessee State University, to serve as the community Prison/Criminal Justice representative on the University's Institutional Review Board for the research of human subjects and in 2022 Myles received an appointment from the Office of Governor Bill Lee to the Tennessee Corrections Institute Board of Control as a Representative of a Department of Criminal Justice at an Institution of Higher Education. Mr. Cook has been interviewed as a guest on the Victual Academy "Between the Lines Podcast", "Excellence in Training Academy" with Brian Willis, among others. Mr. Cook has been selected as a speaker/presenter for the 2024 International Law Enforcement Educators and Trainers Association Conference, 2023 IADLEST (International Association of Directors of Law Enforcement Standards and Training) Conference in Denver, CO. He has been the recipient of multiple instruction and Law Enforcement related awards including "2021 Technical College Faculty of the Year – Finalist", "ETSU CJCR Distinguished Service Award" 2011, "Nicholas J. Carimi Jr. Distinguished Criminal Justice Professional Award" and was named as a recipient for the "2023 IACP 40 Under 40" Award for demonstrating leadership and exemplifying commitment to the law enforcement profession.