

## Rick Staly, Sheriff FLAGLER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## FCSO Commander Emery Graduates from Florida Sheriff's Association's 2025 Commanders Academy Class 17

BUNNELL, Fla. —On July 11, the Florida Sheriffs Association honored 36 graduates from the prestigious Florida Sheriffs Association's (FSA) Commanders Academy. Among the graduates was Flagler County Sheriff's Office (FCSO) Community Policing Division and SWAT Commander Ryan Emery.



L-R: FSA Executive Director Matt Dunagan, Sumpter County Sheriff Patrick Breedon, Cmdr. Ryan Emery, Sheriff Rick Staly, FSA President Charlotte County Sheriff Bill Prummell

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The Commanders Academy is an exceptionally informative and educational experience focused on the unique needs of the Office of Sheriff that is vital for the next generation of public safety leaders. The academy has become recognized as the premier course of executive study for mid-to-upper-level Florida Sheriff's Office leaders.

Leaders throughout Florida Sheriffs' Offices participated in a variety of curriculums focusing on leadership, ethics, discipline, and additional subject matter areas related to upper-level leadership in a Florida Sheriff's Office. The remaining curriculum is adjusted according to emerging trends and issues that have an impact on Florida Sheriff's Offices and recent high-profile events.

"Commander Ryan Emery's commitment to our community and leadership development is truly commendable," said Sheriff Rick Staly. "Graduating from the Florida Sheriffs Association's Commanders Academy is a significant achievement, and we're proud to see the FCSO continue to uphold the high standards this program represents."

Commander Emery joined the FCSO in October 2012, as a deputy. He was promoted to Corporal in April of 2015 and then Sergeant in 2017. In 2021, he was appointed to Commander, and he currently commands FCSO's District 1 and 3 law enforcement services and leads our SWAT team. During his time at the FCSO he has received many commendations for his professionalism and service to our community along with numerous Unit Citations.

In addition to completing this two-week training course, Commanders Academy Class 17 also raised \$106,320 for the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches. This generous donation will help support the mission of the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches in preventing delinquency and to develop lawful, resilient and productive citizens.



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