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WSP's 22nd CVEO Basic Class graduates 10 officers

Olympia, Wash. – The Washington State Patrol (WSP) graduated 10 new Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Officers (CVEO) today who will report for duty throughout the state promoting the safe operation of commercial motor vehicles within the communities they serve.

The newly graduated CVEOs completed 24 weeks of training: 14 weeks of classroom at the WSP Academy in Shelton and 10 weeks in the field alongside a field training officer. This time afforded each new officer the knowledge, skills, and hands-on learning opportunities needed to become well versed in the laws and regulations safeguarding commercial motor vehicle operation in Washington State.

Topics of study included the laws and regulations for commercial motor vehicle weight, size, and equipment safety; hazardous materials; driver and vehicle licensing; permitting requirements and more. The officers also completed the academy's emergency vehicle operator course, firearms certification, and defensive tactics courses.

The new graduates of the 22nd CVEO Basic Class include:

- Officer Jaime Abarca Ornelas – Cle Elum Port of Entry
- Officer Liridon Berisha – Ridgefield Port of Entry
- Officer Yuriy Chuprik – Bow Hill Port of Entry
- Officer Eli Eller – Spokane Port of Entry
- Officer Shane Gilbert – School Bus North
- Officer Ricardo Gonzalez – Bow Hill Port of Entry
- Officer Satnam Singh – School Bus North
- Officer Joseph Tober – Plymouth Port of Entry
- Officer Nicholas Videtich – School Bus East
- Officer Greg Winans – School Bus East



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Members of the 22nd CVEO Basic Class earned additional recognition for several categories, including:

Firearms: Officer Shane Gilbert

Defensive Tactics: Officer Satnam Singh

Academics: Officer Nicholas Videtich

Driving Award: Officer Ricardo Gonzalez

Core Values Award: Officer Nicholas Videtich

The Core Values Award was presented to Officer Nicholas Videtich by Luanne Mason, the daughter of fallen WSP Weight Control Officer Joseph Modlin, who was killed in the line of duty on Aug. 15, 1974. The award is determined by an anonymous vote among the classmates, and is presented to the officer who most exemplifies the agency's core values of honesty, integrity, team-oriented, attention to detail, self-discipline, adaptability, performance driven, professionalism, officer-safety, and sense of urgency.

CVEOs are required to pass a written exam, oral board interview, polygraph, and background check, as well as a psychological and medical exam prior to being hired by the WSP. The new hires then participate in the three-phased program, including a pre-academy observation period, academy training, and field training phase.

Those interested in a career as a WSP CVEO can find out more about the career and hiring process by visiting [here](#).

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