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The Exploring Division of the Boy Scouts of America recently conducted a career interest survey of one hundred and thirty high schools throughout the Chicago area. One hundred and twenty thousand high school age, young adults responded to this survey. The survey offered them a choice of eighty-eight different careers. Approximately five thousand eight hundred students indicated that their first career choice was in the field of law enforcement.

As the Acting Superintendent of Police, I feel that the Chicago Police Department must get involved in providing a CAREER EXPLORATION PROGRAM for as many of these young adults as possible. It is incumbent upon us to guide these young people in making decisions which may influence their careers in law enforcement.

Our Department will expand its involvement in the Exploring Program of the Chicago Area Council, Boy Scouts of America. It is my intention to have this Career Exploration Program in our districts.

Open houses will be conducted in Districts 2 through 24 on the following dates:

September 11	Area - 1 Open Houses	Districts 2, 3, 21
September 12	Area - 2 Open Houses	Districts 4, 5, 6, 22
September 13	Area - 3 Open Houses	Districts 7, 8, 9
September 18	Area - 4 Open Houses	Districts 10, 11, 12, 13
September 20	Area - 5 Open Houses	Districts 14, 15, 16, 17
September 25	Area - 6 Open Houses	Districts 18, 19, 20, 23, 24

(NOTE: ALL OPEN HOUSES RUN FROM 7:30 P.M. THROUGH 8:30 P.M.)

I strongly believe that this program will be beneficial to the Department.

The goals of our Police Department can much better be achieved if we are in direct, positive contact with the young people of our community.

The image of the Chicago Police Department is greatly enhanced through public relations programs and our involvement in youth programs.

This program makes it possible for the Department to guide future applicants in making law enforcement career choices and in planning their education.

I urge all of our police officers to become involved in the operation and promotion of this necessary program.

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