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You can be a graduate of the 2017 Norfolk 101: Citizens Academy



Dennis Watts, City of Norfolk Water Plant Director, gives a tour of the West Water Treatment Plant to Norfolk 101: Citizens Academy participants.

Whether a person has lived in Norfolk all their life or recently moved here, Norfolk 101: Citizens Academy gives a unique look into how city government works.

Get a close up look at the City's snow plows, take a peek inside a city jail and hear the latest from the Mayor. Norfolk 101 offers residents of Norfolk an opportunity to learn things about the city they might not have known before.

"The program is set up so that a citizen can see many aspects of city operations and talk to the people who make those operations happen. It's a great chance to learn more about Norfolk and the people who make city government run," said Human Resources Director, Sheila Schukei.

The first session of Norfolk 101: Citizens Academy was held in March 2014 with subsequent sessions offered in the fall. Participants meet with City managers who give overviews of their divisions including tours offered at many city facility locations.

A limit of 18 people can participate in the program that will be held every Tuesday evening for seven weeks from 6:00 – 9:00 p.m. with a meeting with City Council members, and graduation, the eighth week.

Participants must be 18 years of age or older and a resident of Norfolk, Nebraska. Forms and schedules are available at the City Administration Building at 309 North 5th Street. Applications must be submitted before September 1, 2017. They are also available online at <https://www.ci.norfolk.ne.us/About/norfolk101.htm>. Completed applications can be mailed to Norfolk 101, City of Norfolk, 309 N. 5th Street, Norfolk NE 68701. There is no fee to participate in the program.

The first 18 who have signed up for the program will be notified the week of September 4, 2017. Any questions? Call Liz Wallace, City of Norfolk Communications Manager, at 402-844-2034.