

## **Lomita Station Explorers Excel at Tehachapi Competition**

Lomita Station's Explorer Post recently participated in the third annual Police Explorer Competition hosted by the Tehachapi Police Department. We are proud to announce that our explorers earned FIRST PLACE awards in the Search and Rescue, Downed Plane Recovery, and Felony Traffic Stop scenarios! Fifteen teams from Arizona, Nevada and California competed in the three day event. Lomita Station sent eight explorers to the competition, which was designed to be very demanding on the physical and mental capabilities of each explorer. Scenarios test physical strength and limitations, as well as demeanor, personality, intelligence, and team work skills of the explorers. Scenarios included an obstacle course, relay race, tug of war, felony traffic stop, DUI enforcement stop, vehicle searches, search and rescue, and a downed plane recovery. Lomita Station Explorers are between 15 and 20 years old and are under the direction of Deputy Ruben Lopez. For more information about our Explorer Program, please call Deputy Lopez at (310) 891-3226.

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