



Southern Illinois Criminal Justice Training Program

Mobile Team Unit 15

Training Announcement

Name of Class			Class ID#	Course ID#
The Winning Mind			134710	74655
Date	Time	Hours	Location	
March 16, 2023	0830-1630	8	Williamson County Sheriff's Office 404 N. Van Buren St., Marion, IL	

Course Description

Dave "J.D. Buck Savage" Smith first presented *The Winning Mind* in 1987. Since then, it has evolved into one of the most remarkable training experiences that law enforcement personnel will ever attend. By looking at the key components of peak performance, including who wins and why, the roles that optimism, risk and bureaucracy play in our personal and professional lives, and how the individuals and organizations can make themselves truly resilient, Dave presents an entertaining & inspiring program designed to help everyone, regardless of their experience, optimize their odds of winning any confrontation.

The Winning Mind is updated continuously and always customized for the audience when it is presented. In his unique, energetic style, Dave Smith and his wife Sgt. Betsy Smith will give men & women the mental edge they need to not only face threats on the street but also manage the stresses they may confront in their daily lives both on and off duty.

This course is perfect for everyone working in a public safety organization regardless of rank, experience, or assignment. Dave Smith's *The Winning Mind* has something for everyone!

Course Objectives

- What makes someone a "winner"?
- Why survival is minimalistic and we must train to **WIN!**
- The true roles of "**Warrior Ethos**" in the police profession
- Understanding the role **beliefs** play in winning
- What is true "optimism"?
- The "Truth About Gender Differences" in all aspects of your life
- What training really works and why
- The science of **Crisis Decision Making**
- The "**Not Today**" mindset, every day, on every shift
- Law Enforcement's Role in Preserving a Free Society
- Preventing panic, the "archenemy of survival"
- Being truly **resilient** after a setback

Instructor

Dave "J.D. Buck Savage" Smith is an internationally known speaker, author, and law enforcement expert. He began his law enforcement career in 1978 and has been heavily involved in police training since 1980. He has authored books, and multiple articles in numerous law enforcement magazines. Dave also created the video training series "Buck Savage" and was the lead instructor for Calibre Press's "Street Survival" seminar. Dave holds numerous instructor certifications in firearms, defensive tactics and human performance.

Sgt. Betsy Brantner Smith (Ret.) served in law enforcement for 29 years in a large metropolitan department in Illinois and has held several positions within the department including telecommunications, patrol, investigations, narcotics, juvenile, hostage negotiations and much more.

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Constitutional Use of Law Enforcement Authority, Officer Wellness, De-escalation, High Risk Traffic Stops, Officer Safety Techniques

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