

**Captain Stefan W. Vaughn, Okaloosa County Department of Corrections,  
Graduates from the Florida Criminal Justice Executive Institute  
Senior Leadership Program**

The Okaloosa County Department of Corrections is proud to announce that Operations and Security Captain Stefan W. Vaughn has graduated from the Florida Criminal Justice Executive Institute Senior Leadership Program. Each candidate must submit an extensive application to the Florida Criminal Justice Institute. The application requires a minimum tenure of 5 years in criminal justice, a history of increasing supervisory responsibility, and the agency chief's endorsement. The course of study include topics such as; leadership, communication, criminal justice research, budgeting, managing change, and team building.

“Selection for attendance in the Senior Leadership Program is no small accomplishment,” stated Chief Correctional Officer Paul Lawson. “This part of the program includes formal committee presentations of individual research projects that focus on criminal justice issues, principles and practices.” The 10-month, Florida Criminal Justice Executive Institute Senior Leadership Program is designed to develop and enhance the leadership skills of Florida criminal justice executives.

“We are extremely pleased to have Capt. Vaughn representing and working for the betterment of the Department of Corrections,” said Commissioner Kelly Windes, chairman, Okaloosa Board of County Commissioners. Captain Vaughn is one of 33 graduates of the 17<sup>th</sup> Criminal Justice Executive Institute Senior Leadership Program.

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