

CAPTAIN THAD E. JOHNSON



Captain Thad Johnson has proudly served the Colonial Heights Police Department since 2007, bringing over two decades of law enforcement experience to his role as Captain of the Support Services Division. Throughout his career, Captain Johnson has held numerous key positions, including Uniform Patrol Officer, Detective, Crime Scene Technician, Criminal Analyst, Uniform Patrol Supervisor, Investigations Sergeant, Investigations Commander, and Operations Commander, gaining a comprehensive understanding of both investigative and operational functions.

Thad began his law enforcement career in 2005, with the Virginia Division of Capitol Police before joining the Colonial Heights Police Department. He is a graduate of the Crater Criminal Justice Academy, where he earned the Director's Award for Excellence. His exemplary service has earned him numerous honors, including Officer of the Year from both American Legion Post 284 and the Colonial Heights Chamber of Commerce. In 2017, Captain Johnson was awarded a Public Service Award by the U.S. Department of Justice, United States Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Virginia, recognizing his exceptional contributions to law enforcement.

As the Commander of the Support Services Division, Captain Johnson oversees a wide range of critical functions, including the Investigations unit, the Narcotic Task Force officer, and all School Resource personnel. He also manages the department's grant program. Under his leadership, the Support Services Division continues to enhance the department's operational efficiency, professionalism, and community engagement. Captain Johnson remains deeply committed to public safety, officer training, and building positive relationships between law enforcement and the community.